Anthem Blue Cross

2013 Medicare Advantage Formulary Changes

New Year! New Formulary Changes!
Each year we evaluate our benefits and formulary and may make changes to update them. Formulary changes in the upcoming year include: tier changes, drug removals, and new Prior Authorization and Quantity Limit requirements.

Your patients will have formulary changes and will need your help to ensure they get their needed treatments at the most affordable cost. Several drugs will no longer be covered under Medicare Part D. They will now be covered under the patient’s Medicare Part B benefit.

Encourage your patients to review the 2013 formulary information within their Annual Notice of Change (ANOC) mailing, or to view the information online when it is available, beginning October 1. Ask them if the coverage for any of their prescriptions has been changed, and consider alternative medications in a lower cost-sharing tier that may meets their need.

An FWA flyer has been inserted to the member Formulary Communication Alert mailing as an educational message about the industry-wide issues of Fraud, Waste and Abuse pursuit to new regulatory guidance. This flyer alerts members to be on the lookout for fraud, waste, and abuse situations and to call the Medicare Fraud Hotline if they see one. Tips for members on how to protect their identity and health plan information are also included.