



Pharmacy Benefit Medicaid Drug Rebate Program (MDRP)

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In accordance with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) requirements, only drugs manufactured or distributed by labelers who have signed a drug rebate agreement with the United States Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) will be considered an eligible product to be billed under Medicaid.

For medications made by manufacturers who have not signed a drug rebate agreement with DHHS, Neighborhood Health Plan of Rhode Island (Neighborhood) will reject the claim at the retail pharmacy.

This change applies to both brand and generic medications:

- If the product prescribed is a brand name medication, please prescribe the member a comparable alternative.
- If the product prescribed is a generic medication, the dispensing pharmacy should reprocess the claim for the same product manufactured by an eligible, participating manufacturer.

This requirement does not apply to Neighborhood Commercial or INTEGRITY members.