A Message to

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MEMORANDUM

TO: All Contracting Durable Medical Equipment Providers

FROM: Kimberly Lees-Pratt
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SUBJECT: **Removal of Precertification Requirement for Inhalation Solution Medications**

Effective immediately for members with AmeriHealth HMO, AmeriHealth 65 and AmeriHealth Point of Service coverage, the precertification requirement for inhalation solution medications has been eliminated. Please reference the attached list of current inhalation solution medications.

Please note that only Durable Medical Equipment providers with valid pharmacy licenses are approved by AmeriHealth to supply inhalation solution medications.

As is required for all durable medical equipment services, please keep timely and appropriate physician orders on file. These orders may be requested for review by AmeriHealth at any time.

Due to system programming issues, members with AmeriHealth Personal Choice coverage will still require authorization for inhalation solution medications in order to assure claim payment. We will notify you when the authorization requirement for AmeriHealth Personal Choice is removed.

Please share this information with your staff. If you have any questions regarding this Bulletin, please contact Kimberly Lees-Pratt, Ancillary Coordinator, at 856-778-6652.

CODE	DESCRIPTION
J2545	PENTAMIDINE ISETHIONATE, INHALATION SOLUTION, PER 300MG, ADMINISTERED THROUGH DME
J7608	ACETYLCYSTEINE, INHALATION SOLUTION ADMINISTERED THROUGH DME, UNIT DOSE FORM, PER GRAM
J7618	ALBUTEROL, INHALATION SOLUTION ADMINISTERED THROUGH DME, CONCENTRATED FORM, PER MILLIGRAM
J7619	ALBUTEROL, INHALATION SOLUTION ADMINISTERED THROUGH DME, UNIT DOSE FORM, PER MILLIGRAM
J7622	BECLOMETHASOME, INHALATION SOLUTION ADMINISTERED THROUGH DME, UNIT DOSE FORM, PER MILLIGRAM
J7626	BUDESONIDE INHALATION SOLUTION, ADMINISTERED THROUGH DME, UNIT DOSE FORM 0.25 MG
J7628	BITOLTEROL MESYLATE, INHALATION SOLUTION ADMINISTERED THROUGH DME, CONCENTRATED FORM, PER MILLIGRAM
J7629	BITOLTEROL MESYLATE, INHALATION SOLUTION ADMINISTERED THROUGH DME, UNIT DOSE FORM, PER MILLIGRAM
J7631	CROMOLYN SODIUM, INHALATION SOLUTION ADMINISTERED THROUGH DME, UNIT DOSE FORM, PER 10 MILLIGRAMS
J7635	ATROPINE, INHALATION SOLUTION ADMINISTERED THROUGH DME , CONCENTRATED FORM, PER MILLIGRAM
J7636	ATROPINE, INHALATION SOLUTION ADMINISTERED THROUGH DME , UNIT DOSE FORM, PER MILLIGRAM
J7637	DEXAMETHASONE, INHALATION SOLUTION ADMINISTERED THROUGH DME, CONCENTRATED FORM, PER MILLIGRAM
J7638	DEXAMETHASONE, INHALATION SOLUTION ADMINISTERED THROUGH DME, UNIT DOSE FORM, PER MILLIGRAM
J7639	DORNASE ALPHA, INHALATION SOLUTION ADMINISTERED THROUGH DME, UNIT DOSE FORM, PER MILLIGRAM
J7641	FLUNISOLIDE, INHALATION SOLUTION ADMINISTERED THROUGH DME, UNIT DOSE, PER MILLIGRAM
J7642	GLYCOPYRROLATE, INHALATION SOLUTION ADMINISTERED THROUGH DME CONCENTRATED FORM, PER MILLIGRAM
J7643	GLYCOPYRROLATE, INHALATION SOLUTION ADMINISTERED THROUGH DME, UNIT DOSE FORM, PER MILLIGRAM
J7644	IPRATROPIUM BROMIDE, INHALATION SOLUTION ADMINISTERED THROUGH DME, UNIT DOSE FORM, PER MILLIGRAM
J7648	ISOETHARINE HCL, INHALATION SOLUTION ADMINISTERED THROUGH DME, CONCENTRATED FORM, PER MILLIGRAM
J7649	ISOETHARINE HCL, INHALATION SOLUTION ADMINISTERED THROUGH DME, UNIT DOSE FORM, PER MILLIGRAM
J7658	ISOPROTERENOL HCL, INHALATION SOLUTION ADMINISTERED THROUGH DME, CONCENTRATED FORM, PER MILLIGRAM.
J7659	ISOPROTERENOL HCL, INHALATION SOLUTION ADMINISTERED THROUGH DME, UNIT DOSE FORM, PER MILLIGRAM.
J7668	METAPROTERENOL SULFATE, INHALATION SOLUTION ADMINISTERED THROUGH DME, CONCENTRATED FORM, PER 10 MILLIGRAMS
J7669	METAPROTERENOL SULFATE, INHALATION SOLUTION ADMINISTERED THROUGH DME, UNIT DOSE FORM, PER 10 MILLIGRAMS
J7680	TERBUTALINE SULFATE, INHALATION SOLUTION ADMINISTERED THROUGH DME, CONCENTRATED FORM, PER MILLIGRAM
J7681	TERBUTALINE SULFATE, INHALATION SOLUTION ADMINISTERED THROUGH DME, UNIT DOSE FORM, PER MILLIGRAM
J7682	TOBRAMYCIN, UNIT DOSE FORM, 300 MG, INHALATION SOLUTION, ADMINISTERED THROUGH DME
J7683	TRIAMCINOLONE, INHALATION SOLUTION ADMINISTERED THROUGH DME, CONCENTRATED FORM, PER MILLIGRAM
J7684	TRIAMCINOLONE, INHALATION SOLUTION ADMINISTERED THROUGH DME, UNIT DOSE FORM, PER MILLIGRAM