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## Open Provider Forums Scheduled Regarding: Pharmacy Dispensing Fee Increase and Pricing Methodology Using National Average Drug Acquisition Cost (NADAC) Files

**Effective November 1, 2015,** Nevada Medicaid will increase the professional dispensing fee and implement a new drug pricing methodology using National Average Drug Acquisition Cost (NADAC) files. Catamaran/OptumRx is hosting two open provider teleconference/online forums that will give providers the opportunity to learn more about the changes and ask questions.

The forum details are below.

## Tuesday, October 20, 2015, at 8:00 a.m. Pacific Time

<u>Teleconference:</u> To receive a call back, provide your phone number when you join the event, or call the

number below and enter the access code. Call-in toll-free number: 1-855-210-1642 (US) Call-in number: 1-281-241-1496 (US)

Conference Code: 384 481 6

Online Presentation:

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## Thursday, October 29, 2015, at 1:00 p.m. Pacific Time

<u>Teleconference:</u> To receive a call back, provide your phone number when you join the event, or call the number below and enter the access code.

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Please email Nevada.medicaid@catamaranrx.com with any questions regarding the forums.

The dispensing fee and NADAC pricing changes are being made to comply with the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010.

- 1. The professional dispensing fee for outpatient and retail pharmaceuticals will be increased.
  - a. The State's dispensing fee for all outpatient retail pharmacies is increasing from \$4.76 to \$10.17 per prescription.
  - b. IV therapy and long term care (LTC) will receive the same dispensing fee as the retail pharmacies; per policy their rate will be daily.
  - c. The dispensing fee for supplies, including diabetic supplies, will remain unchanged.
- 2. The Actual Acquisition Cost (AAC) will be modified to utilize the NADAC fee schedule in the pharmacy pricing algorithm.

- a. NADAC pricing will be added to the pharmacy pricing algorithm for retail and Nevada physician-administered drug (NVPAD) claims. Wholesale Acquisition Cost (WAC) is being changed from WAC +2% to WAC +0%, which will be offered for those drugs not available on NADAC.
- b. The Incentive Fee Program will remain unchanged.

The above changes will have no impact on the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (OBRA) of 1987 and supplemental rebate programs.

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