Pharmacy Update

Important Information Concerning the Preferred Drug Program and Frequency/Quantity/Duration (F/Q/D) Edits

The Medicaid Fee-for-Service (FFS) program recently implemented Frequency, Quantity, and Duration (F/Q/D) recommendations made by the Drug Utilization Review (DUR) Board. Some of the drugs/drug classes affected by F/Q/D editing are also included in the Preferred Drug Program (PDP). Therefore, drugs/drug classes that have a preferred status can also be subject to F/Q/D editing.

System messaging has been developed to help guide the pharmacists to appropriately submit the claim or to refer to the prescriber. For claims that do not meet clinical criteria, the eMedNY POS will return a rejected response (NCPDP field 511-FB) "85- Claim Not Processed", along with additional detailed "75" messages (NCPDP field 526-FQ):

- 75AT Step Therapy or Preferred Product Required
- o 75ST Stable Therapy Criteria Failure
- 75RD Required Diagnosis Criteria Failure
- 75MV and 75SY Prior Authorization Required
- 75AC Age Criteria Failure
- 75UD Units Per Day or Days Supply Criteria Failure
- o 75MQ Quantity Criteria Failure
- o 75CC Maximum Claim Count Exceeded
- o 75UF Units Per Fill or Units Per 30 Days Criteria Failure
- o 75MD Duration Criteria Failure

The following links have been provided as helpful resources for information on the PDP, F/Q/D and Step Therapy Programs:

https://newyork.fhsc.com/ and http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/program/dur/index.htm.