

Draft Boilerplate (FY-17), Medicaid Drug Access for Vulnerable Populations

Sec. \_\_. (1) The department and its contractual agents may not subject Medicaid prescriptions to prior authorization procedures with respect to the following drugs:

(a) A prescription drug that is generally recognized in a standard medical reference or the American psychiatric association's diagnostic and statistical manual for the treatment of a psychiatric disorder.

(b) A prescription drug that is generally recognized in a standard medical reference for the treatment of cancer, HIV-AIDS, epilepsy or seizure disorder, or organ replacement therapy.

(2) "Prior authorization" means a process implemented by the department or its contractual agents that conditions, delays, or denies delivery of particular pharmacy services to Medicaid beneficiaries upon application of predetermined criteria by the department or its contractual agents to those pharmacy services. The process of prior authorization often requires that a prescriber do one or both of the following:

(a) Obtain pre-approval from the department or its contractual agents before prescribing a given drug.

(b) Verify to the department or its contractual agents that the use of a drug prescribed for an individual meets predetermined criteria from the department or its contractual agents for a prescription drug that is otherwise available under the Medicaid program in Michigan.

**Endorsers**

American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network  
The Arc Michigan  
Association for Children's Mental Health  
Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan  
HIV/AIDS Alliance of Michigan  
Mental Health Association in Michigan  
Michigan Association for Children with Emotional Disorders  
Michigan Association of Community Mental Health Boards  
Michigan Council for Maternal & Child Health  
Michigan Disability Rights Coalition  
Michigan Partners in Crisis (justice-&-mental-health coalition)  
Michigan Protection & Advocacy Service  
Michigan Psychiatric Society  
Michigan Society of Hematology and Oncology  
National Alliance on Mental Illness - Michigan  
National Association of Social Workers - Michigan