

Update on Changes in the PEEHIP Pharmacy Network

PEEHIP and MedImpact have diligently worked together over the last six months to restructure the reimbursement rates for pharmacies while maintaining a high level of network access and quality of care for PEEHIP members. As a result, we have identified that Walgreens is a higher cost provider of generic medications than other pharmacies participating in the PEEHIP Retail Pharmacy network.

Due to its higher cost to PEEHIP, we have no other alternative but to increase the generic drug copayments for prescriptions filled at Walgreens retail pharmacy locations. Generic copayments at other, lower cost participating pharmacy providers will not increase. Effective August 1, 2011, the new generic copayments at Walgreens are shown below:

Pharmacy	Generic 30-day supply copay	Generic 90-day supply copay
Walgreens Retail Pharmacy Locations	\$7.00	\$14.00
Network Pharmacies (Excluding Walgreens)	\$6.00	\$12.00

All members who had a prescription filled with Walgreens within the period of January 1 through June 30, 2011, were properly notified by written letter of this change in the generic copayment.

If you have prescriptions with unexpired refills at Walgreens that you would like to transfer to a lower cost pharmacy in the network, simply contact the nearby participating pharmacy of your choosing. Show them your prescription labels, and they will typically be able to assist you with contacting the other pharmacy to transfer your prescriptions. A Pharmacy Locator link to help you find participating pharmacies is available on the PEEHIP Web site at www.rsa-al.gov/PEEHIP/pharm-benefits.html. If you choose to continue filling your generic medications at Walgreens, you will pay the higher copays as shown above.

MedImpact employs a team of trained Customer Service Representatives who are available to assist you 24 hours a day, 7 days a week with questions about the PEEHIP Prescription Drug Plan. You can call the MedImpact toll-free number 877.606.0727, or you can visit the MedImpact Web site for self-assistance at <https://mp.medimpact.com/ala>.

Please be assured that all decisions made by PEEHIP are designed to provide the best possible benefits to all members and to ensure the financial sustainability of the plan. ■

Note: Prescriptions for generic medications filled at Walgreens Specialty Pharmacy are \$6 (not \$7).

