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Specialty Pharmacy Drug Program (SPDP) - Overview

The SPDP is intended to serve Nevada Medicaid recipients by delivering selected specialty drugs for treatment through various contracted specialty pharmacies.

What are specialty drugs?

 Specialty drugs are prescription medications that require special handling, administration or monitoring. These drugs treat complex and chronic conditions such as cancer, hemophilia and chronic kidney failure.







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Who is impacted by the SPDP?



• The program applies to Nevada Medicaid recipients whose pharmacy services are covered under the Fee-For-Service (FFS) delivery system.

Which specialty drugs are impacted by the SPDP?

- The program will apply to the Hemophilia, Hepatitis C and Intravenous Immunoglobulin (IVIG) drugs only.
- There is an estimate 377 recipients that will be impacted by the SPDP.

Specialty Pharmacy Drug Program (SPDP) - Overview

Optum[®] Specialty Pharmacy will be managing the SPDP for Nevada Medicaid recipients.

What services does the specialty pharmacy provide?

- Holistic patient management
 Therapy Solutions, sites of care, hospital discharge programs
- Expert clinicians
 Patient counseling, education and monitoring
- Innovative engagement technologies
 Virtual visits, video series, patient portal, mobile app
- State-of-the-art infrastructure
 Regional and central fill pharmacies serving patients nationwide as well as 24/7 access to pharmacist to answer recipient's questions.





Program Objectives ()



The SPDP will be implemented with the following set objectives:

- Improve the access to and compliance with the selected, specialty drug treatments.
- Provide a clinical support system designed to optimize therapy management, care coordination and patient compliance.
- Provide a clinically and administratively efficient Specialty Drug Program.
- Provide cost-effective services without compromising access and quality.





Project Timeline

10/01/20

1915(b) Waiver Submitted 11/10/20

Project Kick-Off
Meeting

12/22/20

Public Hearing

10/07/20

Tribal Consultation

12/02/20

Public Workshop 01/12/21

SPDP Go Live





Next Steps



- ☐ Communication to Providers
 - Web Announcements
 - Update Medicaid Website
 - Provider Letters
- ☐ Communication to Recipients
 - Letters
 - FAQ question
 - Care Coordinators







Questions







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