## Changes to Coverage Policy for Testing for Drugs of Abuse

**Affected Programs:** BadgerCare Plus, Medicaid  
**To:** Adult Mental Health Day Treatment Providers, Advanced Practice Nurse Prescribers with Psychiatric Specialty, Ambulatory Surgery Centers, Case Management Providers, Community Care Organizations, Community Recovery Services Providers, Community Support Programs, Comprehensive Community Service Providers, Crisis Intervention Providers, Family Planning Clinics, Federally Qualified Health Centers, HealthCheck “Other Services” Providers, HealthCheck Providers, Home Health Agencies, Hospice Providers, Hospital Providers, Independent Labs, Intensive In-Home Mental Health and Substance Abuse Treatment Services for Children Providers, Master’s-Level Psychotherapists, Nurse Midwives, Nurse Practitioners, Nurses in Independent Practice, Nursing Homes, Outpatient Mental Health Clinics, Outpatient Substance Abuse Clinics, Personal Care Agencies, Physician Assistants, Physician Clinics, Physicians, Prenatal Care Coordination Providers, Psychiatrists, Psychologists, Qualified Treatment Trainees, Rehabilitation Agencies, Rural Health Clinics, Substance Abuse Counselors, Substance Abuse Day Treatment Providers, HMOs and Other Managed Care Programs

This Update announces changes to coverage policy regarding testing for drugs of abuse effective for dates of service on and after January 1, 2016.

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## Changes to Pharmacy Policies for Hepatitis C Agents

**Affected Programs:** BadgerCare Plus, Medicaid, SeniorCare  
**To:** Blood Banks, Dentists, Federally Qualified Health Centers, Hospital Providers, Nurse Practitioners, Nursing Homes, Pharmacies, Physician Assistants, Physician Clinics, Physicians, Podiatrists, Rural Health Clinics, HMOs and Other Managed Care Programs

This Update provides information for prescribers and pharmacy providers about changes to pharmacy policies for hepatitis C agents effective for prior authorization requests received on and after April 15, 2016, unless otherwise noted. These interim changes will be in effect until more definitive decisions are made about coverage of hepatitis C agents during the next Preferred Drug List (PDL) review by the Medicaid Pharmacy Prior Authorization Advisory Committee in May 2016. Additional policy changes for hepatitis C agents, as well as other changes as a result of the May PDL review, will be communicated to providers in an Update this summer.

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## Changes to Prospective Drug Utilization Review Alerts

**Affected Programs:** BadgerCare Plus, Medicaid, SeniorCare  
**To:** Pharmacies, HMOs and Other Managed Care Programs

This Update describes changes to the overuse precaution (also known as early refill, or “ER”) prospective Drug Utilization Review (DUR) alert, and other prospective DUR alerts; these changes are the result of analysis and recommendations made to the DUR Board by the Department of Health Services.

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## Information for Eligible Professionals Regarding Changes to the Wisconsin Medicaid Electronic Health Record Incentive Program for Program Year 2015

**Affected Programs:** BadgerCare Plus, Medicaid  
**To:** Advanced Practice Nurse Prescribers with Psychiatric Specialty, Dentists, Nurse Midwives, Nurse Practitioners, Physician Assistants, Physician Clinics, Physicians, HMOs and Other Managed Care Programs

This Update provides information for Eligible Professionals regarding changes to the Wisconsin Medicaid Electronic Health Record (EHR) Incentive Program for Program Year 2015.

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*AFFECTED PROGRAMS KEY:*

- ADAP = Wisconsin AIDS Drug Assistance Program
- BC+ = BadgerCare Plus
- Med = Medicaid
- SC = SeniorCare
- WCDP = Wisconsin Chronic Disease Program
- WWWP = Wisconsin Well Woman Program
Reminder of Correct Billing Process for Long-Term Care Services

Affected Programs: BadgerCare Plus, Medicaid
To: Facilities for Developmentally Disabled, Home Health Agencies, Nursing Homes, Personal Care Agencies, HMOs and Other Managed Care Programs

This Update reminds providers of the correct billing process for long-term care services for members who also have commercial long-term care insurance.

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