

# PROVIDER BULLETIN

## PROVIDER INFORMATION



September 17, 2014

### **Expansion of Drug-related Prior Authorization to Include Compounded Medications**

Effective November 1, 2014, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota (Blue Cross) will be adding a **new prior authorization (PA) category for compounded medications.**

#### **Compounded medications requiring PA**

New PA criteria will be posted on September 18, 2014, and can be accessed using the Blue Cross provider link.

- Access **providers.bluecrossmn.com**
- Under Tools And Resources, select Medical policy, then acknowledge the Acceptance statement
- Select View All Active Policies
- Select Pharmacy Utilization Management Programs
  - Compounded Medications

#### **Compounded medications requiring PA are those which contain:**

Baclofen Powder	Lansoprazole Powder
Cyclobenzaprine Powder	Meloxicam Powder
Diclofenac Powder	Mometasone Powder
Flurbiprofen Powder	Fluticasone Propionate Powder
Gabapentin Powder	Omeprazole Powder
Ketamine Powder	Testosterone Powder
Ketoprofen Powder	Testosterone Propionate Powder
Ketorolac Powder	Testosterone Micronized Powder

#### **CoverMyMeds prior authorization request service**

As a reminder, CoverMyMeds (CMM) is a free service to providers which allows quick and easy submission of PA requests. Experience with CMM by other plans has demonstrated marked reductions in physician office call-backs regarding PA requests, after CMM is implemented. PA requests may also continue to be faxed to their review destination external to the CMM portal, as is the current practice.

You may access CMM at **www.covermymeds.com**. Select Help (top right of the web page) to view FAQs and Support tutorials (3-5 minutes), including live online chat support to help you get started. You will need to open a CMM account to submit requests using the portal.

#### **Questions?**

If you have questions, please contact provider services at **(651) 662-5200** or **1-800-262-0820**.