

October 9, 2017

<Provider Name>  
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<Provider City> <State> <zipcode5-zipcode4>

Dear Provider:

**RE:** Standing Order for Naloxone

On August 4, 2016, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) issued letter L 16-40 to providers announcing the methods for obtaining a prescription for naloxone hydrochloride (naloxone) to be dispensed to Medicaid beneficiaries at risk of opioid overdose. On March 31, 2017, the State of Michigan's Chief Medical Executive, Dr. Eden Wells, received the authority under MCL 333.17701 to issue a standing order as an additional method for providing naloxone. More information on the standing order is available at [www.michigan.gov/naloxone](http://www.michigan.gov/naloxone).

The purpose of this letter is to provide guidance on billing claims for naloxone dispensed through a standing order. Claims for naloxone should be submitted to the intended recipient's health care payer. If the intended recipient is a Medicaid beneficiary, the claim must be billed using the beneficiary's identification number assigned for their Medicaid program coverage or billed through the beneficiary's Medicaid Health Plan. If the beneficiary's designee requests a prescription for naloxone on behalf of the beneficiary, the designee may need to provide the beneficiary's identification number and other information to the pharmacy.

Thank you for your continued partnership in preventing deaths due to opioid overdose.

Sincerely,



Chris Priest, Director  
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