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# Newsletter

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**TO:** Providers of Pharmaceutical Services - For Action  
Health Maintenance Organizations – For Information Only

**SUBJECT:** Section 6033 of the Federal Deficit Reduction Act of 2005

**PURPOSE:** To notify all pharmacies that Section 6033 of the federal Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 prohibits any federal Title XIX (Medicaid) payments for reimbursement to a pharmacy for the ingredient cost of a covered outpatient drug for which that pharmacy has already received Medicaid payments. This requirement is effective for pharmaceutical services rendered on or after April 1, 2006.

**BACKGROUND:** In order to conform to the requirements of this new federal law, all pharmacies must take steps to assure that they do not submit claims to the New Jersey Medicaid program for covered outpatient drugs if they have already received Medicaid reimbursement for them. If Medicaid payment has already been received on a restocked drug, appropriate adjustments should be made on a MMIS Claim Adjustment Request Form (FD-999), or appropriate reimbursement must be made to the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services.

**NOTE:** Section 6033 applies only to covered outpatient drugs reimbursed with Medicaid funds. It does not apply to drugs reimbursed under programs that do not involve Medicaid funds, such as PAAD and Senior Gold.

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