

An important update regarding prescription drug coverage for HIV PrEP

Currently, antiretroviral drugs used for the prevention of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) are covered under Medicare Part D. To assist you in the care of your patients, we are notifying you that HIV PrEP drugs (Apretude, cabotegravir, Descovy[®], emtricitabine and tenofovir disoproxil fumarate, and Truvada[®]) may be covered under Medicare Part B for prevention of pre-exposure, effective late September. However, if these prescription drugs are used to treat HIV, they will remain covered under Medicare Part D. This change is occurring in response to a proposed National Coverage Determination from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

If your patients have their Medicare Part B benefit covered with a different health plan, they may need to inform their pharmacy to use that plan for coverage when these prescription drugs are being administered for pre-exposure prevention.

You can submit a request for CarePlus to make an exception by calling CarePlus Pharmacy Utilization Management Unit at 1-866-315-7587 TTY:711, Monday - Friday, 8 am - 8 pm, Eastern time.