Changes for Pharmacies and Prescribers of Psychotropic Medications for Children and Adolescents Have Been Removed from the Prior Authorization Form

Effective immediately, all changes for pharmacies and prescribers of Psychotropic Medications for Children and Adolescents that took place on April 1, 2015, have been removed. The following are no longer necessary:

- **A Letter of Medical Necessity** (LMN)
- **Peer-reviewed citations** justifying all requests outside FDA guidelines

The new prior authorization form has been removed from the website. The prior authorization form prior to April 1, 2015, (FA-70) is still online and can be accessed on the Provider and Pharmacy forms webpages at:

https://www.medicaid.nv.gov/providers/forms/forms.aspx

and

https://www.medicaid.nv.gov/providers/rx/rxforms.aspx

For prior authorization submission, the Catamaran Clinical Call Center can be reached by phone or fax or the PA can be placed through the Provider Web Portal.

Phone: 1-855-455-3311

Fax: 1-855-455-3303

As a reminder to Pharmacies, in an effort to maintain the continuity of care, the following policy exists in the Medicaid Services Manual Chapter 1200:

**Emergency supply of medication**

a. In an emergency situation, after QIO-like vendor working hours and weekends, dispensing of **up to a 96-hour supply** those covered outpatient drugs that require prior authorization will be allowed.

b. Nevada Medicaid requires prior payment authorization for medications identified as requiring prior authorization.

c. The physician must indicate the diagnosis on the prescription (preferably with an ICD-9 code) to support the use of the emergency policy.

d. As a follow-up to the dispensing of the emergency supply of medication, the provider must contact the QIO-like vendor to obtain a verbal verification number.

In order to place the 96-hour authorization, the Catamaran Clinical Call Center needs to be contacted by the Pharmacy at 1-855-455-3311 to obtain the needed verbal verification number.