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### For Truli for Health and Florida Blue Providers

### **PHARMACY**

### Home Delivery Through Amazon Pharmacy Begins January 1

Beginning January 1, 2023, your Florida Blue and Truli for Health patients will be able to get their maintenance medication delivered to their home through Amazon Pharmacy. Amazon Pharmacy will be replacing ESI (an Express Scripts company) for most Commercial Florida Blue and Truli members. This change has no effect on the benefits your patients receive. *Learn more*>>

# Updates to our Commercially Insured Medical Coverage Guidelines for Pharmacy are Now Available

Each month and quarter, our Medical Coverage Guidelines (MCGs) for the Commercially insured are updated and published at floridablue.com under *Medical and Pharmacy Policies and Guidelines, What's New.* This month, updates include, but are not limited to, the **Dupixent MCG** which now has proton pump inhibitor therapy as a qualifying prerequisite for the treatment of Eosinophilic Esophagitis. The October 15 update also indicates **Imbruvica** now includes the use of an oral suspension in members under 12 years of age. Many other MCG updates are listed. *Learn more>>* 

### PUBLIC HEALTH / PANDEMICS / COMMUNITY CRISES

#### COVID-19 Update as of October 18, 2022

The federal public health emergency has been extended through January 11, 2023. We have updated the processes associated with this date extension. *Learn more>>* 

## For Florida Blue Providers Only

### **BILLING AND CODING**

### Coding Newsletter Has 2023 ICD-10 Code Updates Already in Effect

October brings new updates to the ICD-10-CM code system, including new billable codes for areas such as Social Determinants of Health and dementia. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services has added more than 1,000 codes. This month's coding newsletter is all about the updates. <u>Learn more>></u>

### **MEDICARE STARS**

### Diabetes Screening May Help Patients on Antipsychotic Drugs

Antipsychotic medications can increase the risk for diabetes, even among younger patients. Following the guidelines for **Diabetes Screening for Members on Antipsychotic**Medications and Antipsychotic Medication Compliance for Patients with

Schizophrenia may help improve outcomes for members with behavioral health conditions. Learn more>>

### **HEDIS Measure Links Medications for Older Adults to Diagnosis**

Overall, polypharmacy in older adults is a major contributor to disability, frailty, falls, long-term care placement and a decreased quality of life. To decrease the use of potentially harmful medications, a HEDIS measure addresses older patients receiving potentially harmful medications without an appropriate diagnosis. <u>Learn more>></u>

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