PROVIDER**ALERT** 



## To: AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana DME Providers

Date: January 25, 2024

## Subject: Diabetic Insulin Pump Prior Authorization

Summary: Prior Authorization Requests for HCPCS E0784

Effective **December 1, 2023, external insulin pumps that function similar to** the Omnipod and V-go are a covered pharmacy benefit, and prior authorizations (PA) must be submitted to Magellan. If other brands with similar functions to Omnipod and V-GO are developed in the future, they will be added to the pharmacy benefit as well. Providers can refer to the Diabetic Supplies Preferred Drug list for a current list of external insulin pumps that fall under the pharmacy benefit and should be submitted to Magellan for review. That list can be found <u>here</u>:

<u>http://www.ldh.la.gov/assets/docs/BayouHealth/Pharmacy/PDL.Diabetic.Supplies.pdf</u>. All other external insulin pumps remain a DME benefit and must be submitted to AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana for prior authorization.

If a DME provider submitted a prior authorization request for dates of service **December 1, 2023**, or later for external insulin pumps other than those similar in function to Omnipod and V-Go, AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana may have erroneously referred the provider to submit to Magellan. Please resubmit the prior authorization request to AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana and include the brand name of the external insulin pump on the prior authorization requests.

Ongoing, providers **must** include the name brand on the prior authorization request, and our Utilization Management staff will review it for PA approval.

For external insulin pumps similar in function to Omnipod and V-Go prior authorization requests for dates of service **December 1, 2023**, or later, DME providers should request prior authorization through Magellan. If approved, pumps will be reimbursed as a pharmacy benefit. Providers can refer to the Diabetic Supplies Preferred Drug list for a current list of external insulin pumps that should be submitted to Magellan for review. That list can be found <u>here</u>:

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We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

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