

SIMPLY PRESCRIPTIONS FACT SHEET

For Chemung County Members

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

FOR MEDICARE PRIMARY MEMBERS: In general, Simply Prescriptions is for members that are enrolled in Medicare Parts A and B AND the subscriber on our plan is not actively working. Medicare is the primary payer. These are the members enrolled in Simply Prescriptions through Excellus. Simply Prescriptions is a Medicare Part D replacement plan (PDP). Please do not enroll in any other Medicare D plan if you wish to remain on the County plan. Medicare has approved the same plan design we have through FLRx for the Simply Prescription Plan; however, there are a few exceptions.

CATASTROPHIC BENEFIT ADDED: Our Simply Prescriptions plan has the catastrophic benefit added from the standard Medicare D. Meaning, in 2014 if one person were to spend \$4,550 in prescription co-pays (\$5/\$20/\$50) in one calendar year then their benefit would then change to \$2.60/\$6.35 or 5% co-pay (whichever is greater) for the remainder of that plan year for that one individual. This is an added benefit to the Simply Prescriptions plan for catastrophic purposes.

PHARMACY BENEFITS PROVIDED UNDER MEDICARE PART B (medical): There are a few items that should have always been covered under the standard Medicare Part B as primary payer instead of through the prescription drug plan. With the new Medicare Part D and Simply Prescriptions, guidelines must be followed where Medicare classifies the benefits. For example, diabetic supplies such as test strips and lancets are covered under the Medicare Part B benefit. This means that you will need to use your standard Medicare (Part A&B) ID Card at the pharmacy to purchase these items covered under Medicare Part B. They are considered a medical benefit instead of a prescription drug benefit. Once you receive your explanation of benefits from Medicare, you can submit these claims to Excellus medical plan as the secondary payer for reimbursement minus any applicable co-pay. Please refer to your Medicare information regarding pharmacy benefits provided under Medicare Part B.

PARTICIPATING PHARMACIES: The participating pharmacies are not the same as FLRx at this time. Excellus negotiates contracts with each pharmacy for the Simply Prescription products. Not all pharmacies have agreed to participate and not all pharmacies have agreed to dispense 90 day fills. This is a pharmacy decision, not Simply Prescription or Chemung County. The participating pharmacy list is ever growing. You may contact the Simply Prescriptions Customer Service number (at the end of this notice) for assistance in finding a participating pharmacy near you OR there is on-line access to search as follows:

<https://www.simplyprescriptions.com/wps/portal/sp/mdm/drg/findpharmacy/>

(The pharmacy search on this site is the only thing relevant to our plan at this time.)

CONSIDER MAIL ORDER: Another option is to consider filling your 90 day supplies as a mail order through PrimeMail. At this time our plan allows 90 day supply fills at a participating pharmacy OR through PrimeMail mail order. It is the SAME CO-PAY to you regardless of which one you choose. The reason you may want to consider this option is that you would be helping to control your future premium contributions. The plan receives a better discount from PrimeMail than from your retail pharmacies. This deeper discount impacts the premium calculation for the next plan year. Your contribution payment is based upon this premium. Anything we can do to help control costs for the same benefit is a good choice for our entire membership. Please be advised PrimeMail cannot coordinate benefits with Medicaid.

MEMBERSHIP and IDENTIFICATION CARDS: The membership maintenance at Excellus has changed to accommodate the Simply Prescription program. For the purposes of your prescription plan, subscribers and spouses may be split into two individual policies. This means that one member that does not have Medicare would have their own ID card/number to use and stay in the FLRx, while the other that does have Medicare has their own ID card/number to use in the Simply Prescriptions. The Simply Prescriptions and FLRx claim system is the same. You may contact Simply Prescription Customer Service number to request an ID card. Your Simply Prescription ID card does reference Medicare on it (remember it is a Medicare D product).

CONTACT INFORMATION: Please contact Simply Prescriptions Customer Service as your first call with any prescription plan problems at (800) 514-6930 or (800) 724-5033. If it is a membership issue they cannot resolve, then please contact Chemung County Insurance Department for assistance.

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