

~~(H)~~ (III) THE PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFIT PLAN SHALL OFFER A VOLUNTARY MAIL ORDER OPTION AND THE PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFIT PLAN MAY CHARGE ENROLLEES THE FOLLOWING CO-PAYMENTS FOR PRESCRIPTION DRUGS:

1. \$5 FOR GENERIC DRUGS;
2. \$15 FOR PREFERRED DRUGS ON THE STATE FORMULARY;

AND

3. \$25 FOR DRUGS THAT ARE NOT PREFERRED DRUGS ON THE STATE FORMULARY.;

~~(H)~~ (IV) THE PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFIT PLAN MAY CHARGE A CO-PAYMENT AS PROVIDED IN ITEM ~~(H)~~ (III) OF THIS SUBSECTION FOR EACH 45 DAY PRESCRIPTION.;

~~(V)~~ (V) FOR EACH FISCAL YEAR, THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF CO-PAYMENTS CHARGED THE EMPLOYEE OR RETIREE AND THEIR DEPENDENTS AS PROVIDED IN ITEM ~~(H)~~ (III) OF THIS SUBSECTION MAY NOT EXCEED \$700. AND

(VI) THE PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFIT PLAN MAY INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMMATIC CHANGES:

1. IMPLEMENTATION OF A STEP THERAPY PROGRAM TO ASSURE THAT LOWER COST ALTERNATIVES ARE USED FIRST;

2. CHANGES IN THE PHARMACY NETWORK;

3. LIMITATIONS ON THE FIRST PRESCRIPTION FOR A MAINTENANCE DRUG;

4. LIMITATIONS ON THE QUANTITY OF DRUGS DISPENSED TO REDUCE INAPPROPRIATE OR EXCESSIVE DRUG USAGE;

5. REQUIREMENTS FOR PRIOR AUTHORIZATION OF DRUGS TO ENSURE THAT THEY ARE MEDICALLY NECESSARY. AND

6. IMPLEMENTATION OF A DRUG UTILIZATION REVIEW PROGRAM.

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(a) The Secretary shall:

(1) adopt regulations for the administration of the Program;

(2) ensure that the Program complies with all federal and State laws governing employee benefit plans; and

(3) each year, recommend to the Governor the State share of the costs of the Program.