

~~(H) "PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGEMENT SERVICES"~~
~~INCLUDES:~~

- ~~1. PROCUREMENT OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS AT A
NEGOTIATED RATE FOR DISPENSATION WITHIN THE STATE;~~
- ~~2. PROCESSING OF PRESCRIPTION DRUG CLAIMS;~~
- ~~3. ADMINISTRATION OF PAYMENTS RELATED TO
PRESCRIPTION DRUG CLAIMS; AND~~
- ~~4. NEGOTIATING OR ENTERING INTO CONTRACTUAL
ARRANGEMENTS WITH PHARMACY PROVIDERS.~~

~~(4) "PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGER" MEANS A PERSON THAT
PERFORMS PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGEMENT SERVICES.~~

~~(5) "PHARMACY PROVIDER" MEANS A PHARMACY OR A
PHARMACIST.~~

~~(6) (H) "PURCHASER" MEANS A PERSON THAT ENTERS INTO AN
AGREEMENT WITH A PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGER FOR THE PROVISION OF
PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGEMENT SERVICES.~~

~~(H) "PURCHASER" INCLUDES THE STATE.~~

~~(B) THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION DO NOT APPLY TO A MANAGED
CARE ORGANIZATION AUTHORIZED BY TITLE 15, SUBTITLE 1 OF THE HEALTH-
GENERAL ARTICLE.~~

~~(C) IF THE PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGEMENT SERVICES PERFORMED
BY A PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGER FOR A PURCHASER INCLUDE
NEGOTIATING OR ENTERING INTO CONTRACTUAL ARRANGEMENTS WITH
PHARMACY PROVIDERS, BEFORE THE PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGER MAY
PROVIDE PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR THE PURCHASER,
THE PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGER SHALL ENTER INTO ANY NECESSARY
WRITTEN CONTRACTS WITH PHARMACY PROVIDERS.~~

~~(D) A CONTRACT WITH A PHARMACY PROVIDER SHALL REQUIRE THE
PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGER TO:~~

- ~~(1) DISCLOSE TO THE PHARMACY PROVIDER:~~