205.529 Synchronization of multiple prescriptions for treatment of a chronic illness.

- (1) The Department for Medicaid Services or a managed care organization contracted to provide services pursuant to this chapter shall provide a program for synchronization of medications when it is agreed among the member, a provider, and a pharmacist that synchronization of multiple prescriptions for the treatment of a chronic illness is in the best interest of the patient for the management or treatment of a chronic illness provided that the medications:
 - (a) Are covered by the Department for Medicaid Services or a managed care organization contracted to provide services pursuant to this chapter;
 - (b) Are used for treatment and management of chronic conditions that are subject to refills;
 - (c) Are not a Schedule II controlled substance or a Schedule III controlled substance containing hydrocodone;
 - (d) Meet all prior authorization criteria specific to the medications at the time of the synchronization request;
 - (e) Are of a formulation that can be effectively split over required short fill periods to achieve synchronization; and
 - (f) Do not have quantity limits or dose optimization criteria or requirements that would be violated in fulfilling synchronization.
- (2) When applicable to permit synchronization, the Department for Medicaid Services or a managed care organization contracted to provide services pursuant to this chapter shall apply a prorated daily cost-sharing rate to any medication dispensed by a network pharmacy pursuant to this section.
- (3) Any dispensing fee shall not be prorated and shall be based on an individual prescription filled or refilled.

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