

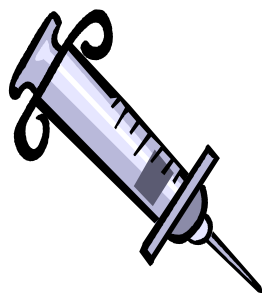
October 21, 2008 ✧ Important Information about the Washtenaw Health Plan ✧ <http://whp.ewashtenaw.org>

## Flu Immunizations

### **Options for WHP Members**

The Washtenaw County Public Health Department (WCPHD) has scheduled a Walk-In Public Flu Clinic to take place at 555 Towner Street, Ypsilanti, MI on Friday October 24, 2008 from 9 am to 11 am. WHP members are encouraged to get their flu shot from the WCPHD at this clinic or by calling 734-544-6770 after November 10th for a flu shot appointment.

**Providers are welcome to provide flu shots for WHP members, but should be aware that the health plan doesn't reimburse for immunizations. See the following for more information about flu shots for WHP members:**



#### **WHP Plan A members:**

- Can get **free** flu shots at the Public Health Walk-In Flu Clinic on Friday, 10/24;
- Must pick up a Plan A authorization letter from WHP for a free flu shot;
- No fee will be charged with authorization letter available from WHP;
- Can call the Public Health Clinic at 734-544-6840 for more information;
- Can call 734-544-6770 after 11/10/2008 for a flu shot appointment.

#### **WHP Plan B members:**

- Can get **discounted** flu shots at the Public Health Walk-In Flu Clinic on Friday 10/24;
- Need to show proof of Washtenaw County Residency **and** their WHP card;
- Will be charged a \$10.00 administration fee (a 50% discount);
- Can call the Public Health Clinic at 734-544-6840 for more information;
- Can call 734-544-6770 after 11/10/2008 for a flu shot appointment.



## Free Nicotine Replacement

### **WHP Members now eligible**

The Michigan Tobacco Quitline will provide up to an eight-week supply of nicotine patches, gum or lozenges to tobacco users who are age 18 years old and over and meet basic health requirements. The free program is open to WHP Members and the uninsured. WHP Members can call **1-800-QUIT-NOW (784-8669)** anytime, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. For a copy of the Member Health Bulletin that describes this and other smoking cessation resources available for WHP Members, call 734-544-6881 or email [bowmanb@ewashtenaw.org](mailto:bowmanb@ewashtenaw.org).



## Update on WHP Formulary Changes

### **Changes now on website and in updated Provider Manual**

#### **Additions to the formulary:**

- Zaditor eye drops (OTC);
- Bacitracin ointment;
- Generic Orapred 15 mg/5 ml.
- QVAR 40 mcg and 80 mcg inhaler QL --2 inhalers/month;
- OTC Zyrtec (Cetirizine) 10 mg tablet QL 30 tabs/month;
- ProAir HFA inhaler QL 2 inhalers/month;  
(*Albuterol CFC inhalers are no longer available*)
- Alendronate Sodium (Fosamax) 70 mg tablet 1x/week QL 4 tabs/month;
- Zolpidem Tartrate (Ambien) 5 mg & 10 mg tablets;  
QL 10 tabs/month for Plan B only,  
(*already covered for Plan A with their mihealth card*)

#### **Removal from the formulary, 1/1/2009:**

- Azmacort inhaler --affected members and providers will be notified of this removal.

### **WHP Plan B Rx Co-Pays Increase! Beginning 12/1/2008:**

the WHP Plan B Prescription Co-pay will increase from **\$3 to \$5** for Generic Drugs and from **\$5 to \$7** for Brand Name Drugs. Affected WHP Members will be notified and new WHP ID cards will reflect this change. Plan A will not change.