

**IOWA MEDICAID ENTERPRISE**

To: Pharmacy Providers

From: Iowa Medicaid Enterprise (IME)

Subject: Notification Of Change In Payment Status For **Legend**  
Polyethylene Glycol 3350 (PEG) Products By The Centers For  
Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)

**Effective: May 8, 2009**

The Iowa Medicaid Enterprise would like to inform pharmacy providers that effective April 23, 2009, CMS has changed the DESI status of the following products from a payable DESI 2 code (safe and effective or Non-DESI) to a non-payable DESI 5 code (indicates a less-than-effective or DESI drug). Please refer to the complete CMS notification posted at [www.iowamedicaidpdl.com](http://www.iowamedicaidpdl.com) under CMS Updates.

00574-0412 Polyethylene Glycol 3350 NF Powder for Oral Solution  
10572-0810 Miralax  
49884-0146 Polyethylene Glycol  
51991-0457 Polyethylene Glycol 3350 NF  
52268-0800 Miralax  
62175-0442 Glycolax

As a result these legend drugs are no longer payable by Iowa Medicaid. **Effective May 8, 2009 Polyethylene Glycol 3350 powder (MiraLAX®) will become an OTC payable drug for members under the age of 19.** NDCs on existing legend PEG prior authorizations for members under the age of 19 will be changed by IME to reflect a payable OTC product. OTC PEG will be payable without prior authorization for members through the age of 12. For members 13 through 18 years of age, OTC PEG will be non-preferred and require prior authorization. OTC PEG will not be covered for members 19 years of age and older. The following NDCs will be added to the OTC Drug List posted at [www.iowamedicaidpdl.com](http://www.iowamedicaidpdl.com).

NDC	Drug Name	Package Size	OTC MAC
11523-7234-03	Polyethylene Glycol 3350 Powder (MiraLAX®)	238gm	0.0372
11523-7234-04	Polyethylene Glycol 3350 Powder (MiraLAX®)	510gm	0.0339
11523-7234-09	Polyethylene Glycol 3350 Powder (MiraLAX®)	510gm	0.0255

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions please call the Point-of-Sale Help Desk at 1-877-463-7671 or 515-725-1107 (local in Des Moines).