



Questions and Answers – OTC/Pharmacy Specific
Medicare-Medicaid Financial Alignment Initiative RFP
 As of June 8, 2012

	Submitted By	Question	Response
1	Julie Aboud, MedImpact Healthcare Systems, Inc.	Are there preferred or generic OTCs that we need to consider?	No
2	Julie Aboud, MedImpact Healthcare Systems, Inc.	Is there a default copay tier structure for non-drug items?	The State does not currently have a copay structure for non-drug over-the-counter (OTC) products.
3	Julie Aboud, MedImpact Healthcare Systems, Inc.	Are plans allowed to offer an enhanced version of the copay structure?	<p>Currently, Illinois does not require co-pays on OTC drugs. However, Plans should monitor HFS legislative and administrative action, as current legislation may require co-pays on certain OTC drugs.</p> <p>Plans may not impose cost sharing in excess of that required by the Illinois Medicaid program. However, Plans may impose lesser cost sharing than required by Illinois Medicaid.</p>
4	Julie Aboud, MedImpact Healthcare Systems, Inc.	Can Plans enhance the copay structure to incentivize?	See response to #3
5	Jay Gandhi, Health Care Service Corporation	In reviewing this OTC list, some chemical names have both a OTC product and a RX legend product. Is the intent to have both OTC and RX products or just the OTC version?	The intent of the list is the OTC version of the drug or product.

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6	Colleen Alexander, Schaller Anderson, an Aetna Company	Will you please advise whether Illinois has UM criteria to be submitted in the ADD file as part of the CMS Financial Alignment Demonstration application?	No, the State is not requiring specific utilization management (UM) criteria to be submitted in the ADD file. Plans are free to submit its own UM criteria for these OTC drugs and products.
7	Brad Berberet Health Alliance Medical Plans	On the attached list, I am assuming the heparin and sodium chloride products are the flushes. Is that correct?	Yes
8	Judy Weitzman, CVS Caremark	<p>Please clarify your definition of "category". Would it be each of the 76 items on the list? Several of these products are available in multiple dosage forms and strengths. Would one NDC suffice or should we list one NDC for each dosage form or strength? Some examples are listed below:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Folic Acid OTC available in 2 strengths 2. Glycerin available as suppositories and solution 3. Salicylic Acid – available as shampoo and in multiple acne preparations 4. Clotrimazole – available as vaginal cream and topical cream 	The State is requiring one NDC per OTC drug or product regardless of strength or dosage form.

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9	Judy Weitzman, CVS Caremark	Which of the listed products would the State interpret as requiring submission on the Excluded Drug File or Supplemental OTC file?	<p>The State does not believe that any of the OTC products listed would be required to be submitted on the Excluded Drug File. It is our understanding that this file is for excluded Part D drugs only.</p> <p>According to CMS guidance, OTC drugs should be submitted on the Supplemental OTC file if the requirements of Part D coverage are met. For example, they are offered at \$0 cost-sharing; paid with administrative dollars; and are offered as part of a general utilization management program or a step therapy program that was part of the Plan's base formulary submission. If an OTC drug doesn't meet these criteria, then it should go on the ADD file. All OTC non-drug products are required to be submitted on the ADD file.</p> <p>Please refer to the CMS guidance for more detail: <i>CY 2013 Part D Supplemental Formulary File and Additional Demonstration Drug (ADD) File Submission Requirements for Financial Alignment Demonstration Plan Applicant.</i></p>
10	Judy Weitzman, CVS Caremark	The list includes Heparin and Heparin pf – it is our belief that all preparation require a prescription and would be covered on the basic Medicare Part D formulary. Is this a reference to heparin lock solutions which are specifically excluded by Part D?	The reference to heparin on the list provided by the State is the heparin flush.