Alabama Medicaid Pharmacy Compound Claim Information

- 1. Claims billed for bulk products must be submitted on a compound claim.
- 2. The Alabama Medicaid claims processing system allows for up to 25 NDCs (ingredients) to be submitted per pharmacy/NCPDP claim.
- 3. Effective July 1, 2013, compounding time is no longer reimbursed by Alabama Medicaid.
- 4. Bulk products are non-covered for adults age 21 and older (some exceptions may apply). Selected medically necessary bulk products are covered for children.
- 5. The maximum payable amount for a compounded product is \$200 per claim. Overrides for medical necessity may be approved and should be submitted to Kepro on the Miscellaneous Request form.
- 6. For a transaction to be considered a compound claim the compound segment must be submitted and the **compound code field** must have a value of "2". A value of "1" in this field indicates that the claim is NOT a compound, in other words, a regular pharmacy claim.
- The claim will be rejected if one or more NDCs are non-covered. For compound claims with one or more non-covered ingredients, a value of "8" should be submitted in the Submission Clarification Code field to allow for payment of the remaining covered NDCs.
- 8. If the compound code indicates that it is a compound claim, but the compound segment (eg list of different ingredients) is not sent, the transaction will reject for a syntax error. The quantity for each ingredient billed must be billed at the compound segment level.
- 9. If more than one NDC on a compound claim requires a Prior Authorization (PA), a PA must be obtained for each drug that requires prior approval. The MMIS system will search for, and apply, the appropriate PA to each NDC that requires a prior authorization when it is billed.
- 10. Compounds are reimbursed as follows: each payable ingredient's reimbursement amount is calculated during processing. These amounts are summed, and any TPL and/or copay amounts are applied to this summed amount, which becomes the paid amount on the claim. Only one dispensing fee will be applied to a compound claim.
- 11. Products that must be constituted with a diluent are not considered compound prescriptions and should not be billed as a compound claim (example: ceftriaxone).
- 12. For information regarding compound claims and bulk powders, see section 27.2.5 of the Alabama Medicaid Provider Manual.