PHARMACY BENEFIT MANAGER: KENTUCKY LICENSE PROCESS

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KY LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY RELATED TO PBMs

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PBM LICENSE PROCESS EXPERIENCE

- Due to broad definition of PBM (KRS 304.17A-161(4)), the Department has licensed more entities than originally anticipated.
 - For 2019, Kentucky has 45 active PBM licensees.
- PBM policy and procedures were not documented resulting in delays in license process.
 - Heavy focus on maximum allowable cost appeals process and transparency measures which companies did not have or undertake.
 - For example: How they handle Department inquiries, specific personnel, and timeframes for review.
- Discover unlicensed PBMs through the complaint process.
- Evidence of financial responsibility (authorized or surplus lines).
- Personnel expertise and resource challenges.

KENTUCKY SPECIFIC RESOURCES

- PBM Forms
 - Application: <u>http://insurance.ky.gov/ppc/Documents/pbmlicapp062017.pdf</u>
 - FAQ: <u>http://insurance.ky.gov/ppc/Documents/pbmfaqfinal071117.pdf</u>
- PBM Statutes and Regulations
 - License Statute: <u>https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=45110</u>
 - License Review Statute: <u>https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=45110</u>
 - License Regulation: <u>https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/kar/806/009/360.pdf</u>
 - PBM Definition Statute: https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=45113
 - MAC/Reimbursement Statute: https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=45114
 - MAC/Transparency Regulation: <u>https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/kar/806/017/578.pdf</u>

THANK YOU!

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