

## SPECIAL BULLETIN

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TO: NHPCA Members

FROM: Heath G. Boddy, President and CEO

RE: Updates in Coverage of Opioid-Containing Products and Children

DATE: May 1, 2018

The Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services recently released <u>Provider Bulletin 18-02</u>: <u>Updates in Coverage of Opioid-Containing Products and Children</u>.

Due to Food and Drug Administration <u>safety guidance</u>, Nebraska Medicaid limited the coverage of codeine and tramadol in children to youth aged 12 years and older in 2017. Due to Food and Drug Administration <u>safety guidance</u>, Nebraska Medicaid will also limit the coverage of cough and cold formulations containing codeine and hydrocodone to persons 18 years and older on May 1, 2018.