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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: DMA Management & State Plan E-mail Subscribers

FROM: Teresa J. Smith, Administrative Service Manager

SUBJECT: Update to State Plan for Medical Assistance (230)

DATE: August 7, 2012

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The following changes were made in the NC Medicaid State Plan manual. You may view the Plan on DMA's website at <http://www.ncdhhs.gov/dma/plan/index.htm>.

**SPA# 11-054** The purpose of the state plan clarify the description of Prescribed Drugs, revise the reimbursement methodology for North Carolina Estimated Acquisition Cost for Prescribed Drugs and establish a 4 rate tier Generic Dispensing Fee structure for reimbursement.

The NCEAC for Prescribed Drugs reimbursement methodology is being revised from wholesale acquisition price plus 7% to wholesale acquisition cost plus 6% and from average wholesale price less 14.5% to average wholesale price less 11.67%. The generic dispensing fee structure will be one of 4 rate tiers which will be based upon previous quarterly generic volume of generic dispensing rates:

- 80% or more claims per quarter = \$9.00
- Between 75% and 79.9% claims per quarter = \$6.50
- Between 70% and 74.9% claims per quarter = \$4.40
- 69.9% and below claims per quarter = \$4.00
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The dispensing fee is of \$4.00 for brand name drugs remains the same.

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