# PROVIDER**ALERT**



Provider Services: 1-888-922-0007

To: AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana Providers

Date: September 9, 2019

**Subject:** Important Pharmacy Change

**Summary: Effective October 1, 2019**, the following changes will be made to the Louisiana Medicaid Single Preferred Drug List (PDL).

The following product(s) will be removed from the Louisiana Medicaid Single Preferred Drug List (PDL). Please note those products with alternatives listed for your convenience:

PDL Removals	PDL Alternatives
Advair Diskus	Advair HFA

#### What do you need to do?

## By **October 1, 2019**:

• Write a new prescription for the PDL alternative product, if clinically appropriate, when initiating therapy for your AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana patients.

## By **November 1, 2019**:

- Write a new prescription for the PDL alternative product, if clinically appropriate, for your AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana patients <u>currently</u> receiving the medication listed above under "PDL Removal".
- If it is not clinically-appropriate to switch an AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana patient to the PDL alternative, you will need to request prior authorization for the patient to continue to receive coverage for the non-PDL medication.

### What are we doing?

We will send written notification to members regarding these updates.

#### **Questions:**

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to the care of our members. If you have questions about this communication, please contact **PerformRx Pharmacy Services at (800) 684-5502**.