SPECIALTY DRUGS & MEDICATIONS

Speciality medications are drugs that are used to treat complex conditions, such as cancer, growth hormone deficiency, hemophilia, hepatitis C, immune deficiency, multiple sclerosis, and rheumatoid arthritis. Whether they are administered by a healthcare professional, self-injected, or taken by mouth, specialty medications require an enhanced level of service.

Over the past several years, specialty drugs have been introduced in the marketplace. Currently there are several hundred specialty drugs in the drug pipeline pending FDA approval for release in the next few years. Specialty drug spend is one of the fastest growing components of our pharmaceutical drug costs. Because of this, we have been partnering with accredo Health Group Inc., Medco’s specialty pharmacy to provide services for our members, which will provide benefit consistency and consistency in the application of clinical protocols.

Accredo, Medco’s specialty pharmacy is dedicated to serving the needs of patients living with complex conditions that require specialty medications. If you are already using Accredo, you are aware firsthand of the excellent services which they provide. Accredo provides:

- Enhanced clinical training, privacy and support
- 24/7 access to specialized nurses and pharmacists
- Access to products and services
- Compliance monitoring and side-effect mentoring
- Refill reminders
- Benefit consistency
- Shipping convenience

If you or a family member are prescribed a specialty medication, Accredo may be reaching out to you and your physician.