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ATTENTION PROVIDERS

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A VERY IMPORTANT MESSAGE ON CARISOPRODOL AND TRAMADOL

Effective August 1, 2007 new dispensing requirement will apply to claims for Soma (carisoprodol), Ultram (tramadol), and Ultracet.

Claims for Soma or its generic, carisoprodol, will only be allowed for clients 12 years old and older. In addition, **Wyoming EqualityCare will not allow a client to have more than 84 (350mg) tablets per 365 days.** Doses beyond this will require prior authorization.

*****Please note, for clients who have chronically been using carisoprodol, Wyoming EqualityCare will allow for a one time taper dose of 18 tablets for a 9 day tapering schedule.**

Claims for Ultram, its generic tramadol, and Ultracet will be limited to the following:

Immediate Release:

Must be \geq 17 years of age
Not to exceed 400mg per day

Extended Release:

Must be \geq 17 years of age
Not to exceed 300mg per day

Ultracet will be limited to a 5 days supply.

If you have any questions about these new dispensing requirements or other pharmacy related issues, please contact the Office of Pharmacy Services for Wyoming EqualityCare at 1-800-438-5785.

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