

AAN Public Meeting Apr 5

Presentation

"Catastrophic Drug Plan"

- Xtra ad
- Thank Joan at Aci

- Despite reservations, big step forward
new layer in social safety net in error where that's rare
will make a big difference to ^{100's} PHAs and others
- Catastrophic
- Proud of work of our community in fighting for this, often against
all odds - persistent, creative, combined lively demonstrations
with solid briefs
- refused to abandon our objectives
or our allies
- Proud that we won this for everyone

- Strength of our alliances - docs, asos, gen community, Ps groups,
disabled, allies within govt + within NDP

- Acknowledge this is a big step forward in a difficult time, \$75 mill

- All of this is important because we need to keep at it, keep up
pressure to fix shortcomings + bring in a program that works

Situation Before : AZT DDZ DDG AP Free
Hospital Drugs Free

- ODB - social assistance
- home care
- low income formula

on going problem about range of products.

this stays in place

Everybody else - on your own
- some have private insurance

After April

TOP

- April '95
- after you pay deductible ~~at the~~ you have access to ODB - free coverage of all drugs it covers

Until March 31, then

- resident of Ontario eligible for OHTAP

- Deductible ^{what's deductible}

Income
- nature of assessment
- for change, some evidence

20 500
40 1000
60 1500
2200

- family
- 2 low income people
- no outins
- Mark's earnings?

- After you hit it ...

- reimbursement
- then computerized ODB
- they'll tell you if you'll need to switch to other formula drugs or do Section 8

note re: reimbursement transactions

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- 1) keep your receipts
- 2) Caution in declaring "family"
- 3) Stack non-ODB costs first

Future

What's Wrong w/ Program

- 1) Level of deductible
- particularly for low income