

Important changes to your hydrocodone containing prescription

A new Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) rule will apply to prescriptions written for hydrocodone combination products. This change starts on October 6, 2014. If your prescription was filled before October 6, 2014, and has valid refills left, GatorCare will honor those refills. The refills will be allowed up to April 8, 2015. Or, until you have used all your refills, whichever happens first. You will need a new prescription after that date or after your refills have been used. Your co-pay will not change.

Starting on October 6, you must have a new prescription each time you need the medication. Refills will not be allowed for hydrocodone combination product prescriptions.

Please talk to your pharmacy about the DEA changes. The pharmacy can help you understand the refill status of your hydrocodone containing medication.

Why is the prescription changing?

On August 22, 2014, the DEA announced a change. They changed hydrocodone combination products from Schedule III to Schedule II. This change starts on October 6, 2014. Prescriptions filled before October 6 that have **valid refills**, can be refilled with the current Schedule III guidelines before April 8, 2015. New prescriptions filled on or after October 6, 2014 will fall under the new DEA rule. These prescriptions will be handled like a Schedule II medication.

Magellan Pharmacy Solutions is here to help

If you have any questions about this change, call Member Services. The phone number is 800-651-8921. You can call us for help 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Or, you can visit us online. The web site is GatorCare.MagellanPharmacySolutions.com.