

Network Notification

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To: Ohio Providers

From: CareSource

Subject: Short Fill for Oncology Medications

Beginning March 1, 2013 CareSource will implement a short fill program for the start of oral oncology medications Tarceva, Sutent and Nexavar. Patients who are new to oral oncology medications are often unable to tolerate this form of treatment. This program will help reduce waste and avoid costs for medications that could go unused.

For a member's first fill, a 15-day supply will be allowed, followed by another 15-day supply fill if the patient is able to tolerate the medication. After the first 30 days, if the Member is able to continue with treatment, fills will continue for up to a 30-day supply at a time based on the prescriber's direction. Please notify CareSource Members of this program when applicable.

Please note:

Prescriptions can continue to be written in the same way as they have been, and all adjustments will be made by the dispensing pharmacy.

Questions?

Please call CareSource at **1-800-488-0134** and follow the prompts for the Specialty Pharmacy Department.