## NYSCHP Resolution:

With increased Emergency Regulations being placed into effect for: Hurricanes, Nor'easters, Blizzards and other Weather and other Emergency Situations by Local, State and National Officials or Departments.

Where as these events do not always come with warnings or people are not able to obtain, remember or get to refill their medications during these events.

Where as access to current medications keeps patients from seeking medical services which are stretched during emergency situations.

NYSCHP is a proactive leader for caring for all patients in New York.

Limited time and services may be affected on both supply chain, point of service in the Pharmacy or access to the Point of service by the individual, caretaker, relative or friend of the individual patient.

Having no prior Laws by New York State by the either Board of Pharmacy, Public Health Department or Department of Insurance as of the time.

Florida Law has places this type of law into effect:

- All health insurers, managed care organizations, and other entities that are licensed by the Office of Insurance Regulation and provide prescription medication coverage as part of a policy or contract shall waive time restrictions on prescription medication refills, which include suspension of electronic "refill too soon" edits to pharmacies, to enable insureds or subscribers to refill prescriptions in advance, if there are authorized refills remaining, and shall authorize payment to pharmacies for at least a 30-day supply of any prescription medication, regardless of the date upon which the prescription had most recently been filled by (1) The person seeking the prescription medication refill resides in a county that:
  - o (a) Is under a hurricane warning issued by the National Weather Service;
  - (b) Is declared to be under a state of emergency in an executive order issued by the Governor; or
  - o (c) Has activated its emergency operations center and its emergency management plan.
- (2) The prescription medication refill is requested within 30 days after the origination date of
  the conditions stated in this section or until such conditions are terminated by the issuing
  authority or no longer exist. The time period for the waiver of prescription medication refills
  may be extended in 15- or 30-day increments by emergency orders issued by the Office of
  Insurance Regulation.

This section does not excuse or exempt an insured or subscriber from compliance with all other terms of the policy or contract providing prescription medication coverage.

## Be it Resolved:

The New York State Council of Health-system Pharmacists supports Emergency Regulations that allow early refilling current medication(s) by patients in the affected area(s) without extra documentation or delays by Third Party Payors. The New York State Council of Health System Pharmacists also supports the adoption of these springing Regulations to be included in all New York State Emergency Policies or Actions, when Federal, State or Local official(s) place these regulations into effect.

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