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This notice is to advise you of information regarding the *TennCare Pharmacy Program*.

**Please forward or copy the information in this notice to all providers
who may be affected by these processing changes.**

On August 22, 2014, the DEA published a final rule rescheduling hydrocodone combination products to schedule II of the Controlled Substances Act effective October 6th 2014.

Schedule II controlled substances are substances that have a currently accepted medical use in the United States, but also have the highest potential for tolerance and abuse. After considering the high abuse and addiction potential of hydrocodone combination products, **TennCare has decided not to allow refills for those products after the October 6th 2014 transition from schedule III to schedule II.**

To avoid delay and inconvenience for your patients and their pharmacies, we encourage you to assist your patients who may have existing prescription refills in obtaining new prescriptions for hydrocodone combination products.

Helpful TennCare Internet Links:

Magellan: <https://tenncare.magellanhealth.com>

TennCare website: www.tn.gov/tenncare/

Please visit the Magellan TennCare website regularly to stay up-to-date on changes to the pharmacy program.

Thank you for your valued participation in the TennCare program.