Drug Recalls and Withdrawals

CalOptima's Pharmacy department informs members, prescribers and pharmacies when there is a Class I or Class II medication recall. We inform our members in writing when a medication is removed from the market.

CalOptima reviews drug recalls and withdrawals every 3 months. The review takes place in a meeting with the Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&T) Committee. You can find details on drug recalls and withdrawals on CalOptima's website at www.caloptima.org/en/Members/Medi-Cal.aspx. It is revised every 3 months. Please discuss with your doctor any details on drug recalls and withdrawals that may affect you.

Drug Recalls and Withdrawals for First Quarter 2015 Addressed at the May 2015 P&T Meeting

Update on Class I and Class II Recalls

- Class I Recalls: There are no recalls at this time.
- Class II Recalls: There are no recalls at this time.

Update on Other Recalls and Withdrawals

- Voluntary recall of ketorolac tromethamine injection: The company that makes this medication chose to remove it from the market. The recall took place because a substance was found in this medication. CalOptima did not take action because there were no paid claims in first quarter 2015.
- Voluntary recall of atracurium besylate injection USP 50 mg/5 mL, 100 mg/10 mL: The company that makes this medication chose to remove it from the market. The recall took place because the medication may have been tainted. CalOptima did not take action because this recall applied to hospital use.
- Voluntary recall of colistimethate for injection USP 150 mg single dose vial: The company that makes this medication chose to remove it from the market. The recall took place because the medication may have been tainted. CalOptima did not take action because there were no paid claims in first quarter 2015.
- Voluntary recall of rifampin for injection USP 600 mg/vial: The company that makes this medication chose to remove it from the market. The recall took place because the medication may have been tainted. CalOptima did not take action because there were no paid claims in first quarter 2015.
- Voluntary recall of 0.9% sodium chloride injection USP 250 mL VisIV container: The company that makes this medication chose to remove it from the market. The recall took

place because a substance was found in this medication. CalOptima did not take action because there were no paid claims in first quarter 2015.