

# New York State Medicaid Prescriber Education Program

## *Optimizing Care for New York State Medicaid Members*

### *What is NYSMPEP?*

The New York State Medicaid Prescriber Education Program (NYSMPEP) is a partnership between the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) and the State University of New York (SUNY). NYSMPEP, formed in response to legislation in April 2008, educates prescribers on evidence-based, non-commercial pharmacotherapy information.

### *What is the goal of the program?*

The goal of the program is to optimize the quality of care for NYS Medicaid members by providing prescribers with the most current information on best practices in pharmaceuticals and therapeutics.

### *Who is the NYSMPEP team?*

An interdisciplinary network working collaboratively to identify content experts to meet the timely education needs of Medicaid prescribers across NYS.

### *How does the NYSMPEP program work?*

NYSMPEP educational materials are prepared and delivered by skilled content experts. Enduring programs are recorded continuing education sessions available to complete any day and time for Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) PRA Category 1 Credit at no cost to prescribers. Educational materials incorporate disease management information including best practices for selected disease states and conditions.

To see additional educational opportunities or offerings, visit the NYSMPEP program online:

<http://nypep.nysdoh.suny.edu>



### *What other services does the NYSDOH/SUNY Medicaid Collaboration provide?*

The Drug Information Response Center (DIRC), staffed by clinical pharmacists at University at Buffalo, provides timely, evidence-based responses to drug information requests, assists in the development and review of educational material for NYSMPEP, and supports the distribution of pharmacotherapy information to Medicaid prescribers.

The Drug Utilization Review (DUR) team conducts clinical reviews and analysis for the NYSDOH DUR Board to improve the safe and cost-effective use of medications among the NYS Medicaid population.

The Retrospective Drug Utilization Review (RetroDUR) program retrospectively reviews outpatient prescription profiles to optimize care for NYS Medicaid members.