

GEORGIA MEDICAID PROVIDER UPDATE

May 23, 2007

Dear Provider:

Effective June 1, 2007, the buy up program and spectacle replacement through Georgia Correctional Industries (GCI) will be administered differently. The administrative changes are as noted below:

Buy up program: The program allows members to purchase frames and lenses outside the covered selection under the GA Medicaid Program. Members are required to reimburse the provider for the buy up option(s) at the time the order is placed. When placing this order with GCI you will now be required to include a check or money order payable to GCI to cover the amount of the buy- up materials. If you want to pay by credit card, please note such on the order form and upon receipt of the order form, GCI will contact your office to obtain your credit card information. For security purposes, **do not** include your credit card information on the order form. Please remember that Avesis will only reimburse up to \$40 one time every 365 days for materials for Avesis Georgia Medicaid Vision Plan members.

Spectacle Replacement: If there is an error in the prescription order requiring a re-do of the lenses, the provider will need to submit the payment (50% of the original cost) to GCI at the time of the order as noted above under the buy up program.

If you should have any questions please contact Avesis Provider Services at (800) 231 – 0979.

As always, thank you for your participation in the Avesis Georgia Medicaid network and we look forward to continuing our relationship with your office.

Sincerely,

Avesis Provider Service Team