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Dear Resident or Responsible Party:

This is a reminder about some upcoming changes with the Alaska Pioneer Homes' pharmacy.

Alaska Pioneer Homes has spent several months analyzing the key functions of the Pioneer Homes' Pharmacy. This includes reviewing the drugs stocked in our pharmacy, as well as the percentage of name brand drugs that are currently being dispensed. We have also reviewed the types of insurance plans all of the elders are using and the requirements for a licensed long term care pharmacy. We have determined that we will be able to change how we do our cycle fills.

Effective **July 1, 2018**, we will transition to a 28 day cycle fill for all generic medications. For the brand name drugs we will have to continue to do the 14 day cycle due to Medicare requirements.

This change in dispensing will eliminate the majority of the "double copays" in billing. You should notice the changes in your pharmacy bill with medications filled on or after July 1, 2018.

Please contact the Alaska Pioneer Homes' pharmacy if you have any questions at (907) 343-7294.

Sincerely,

Alaska Pioneer Homes