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# **New Pharmacy Web Site**

Another reminder that the Pharmacy Program at MassHealth has a new web site. Useful information at this site includes links to the MassHealth Drug List, pharmacy regulations, PA forms, and billing guide.

The address for this site is

[***www.mass.gov/masshealth/pharmacy***.](http://www.mass.gov/masshealth/pharmacy)

# **30-Day Supply**

MassHealth limits the day’s supply of a prescription to a 30-day supply, unless the drug is available only in a larger minimum package size. Prescriptions for methylphenidate and amphetamine products will continue to be accepted when written for a 60-day supply. This new day supply limit will be in effect for all prescriptions written on or after Dec. 1, 2005.

# **MassHealth Drug List**

**Change in Prior Authorization Status**

MassHealth has changed the prior authorization requirements for the Proton Pump Inhibitors.

Effective January 2, 2006, the following drug will require prior authorization.

Protonix (pantoprazole) – **PA**

# **Update to MassHealth Nonlegend Drug List**

The MassHealth Nonlegend Drug List has been updated to reflect that the following drug is available without prior authorization effective January 2, 2006.

Prilosec OTC (omeprazole)

# **Provider Continuing Education Events**

You have received information regarding a Continuing Education program offered by MassHealth and ACS. There is still space available if you have not registered yet. A fax was sent by ACS that contained program information and a registration form. If you do not have this information you may call ACS at 617-423-9830 to reserve a space. These evening programs will take place in:

Worcester 12/6 Somerville 12/8 Springfield 12/13 Randolph 12/15

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