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Dear Prescriber:

This letter is to inform you of an important change in the Kentucky Medicaid Preferred Drug List (PDL) Program. **Effective October 1, 2008, Lipitor[®] will be moved from a preferred drug to a non-preferred drug requiring prior authorization.** The preferred high potency statins will be simvastatin, Crestor[®] (rosuvastatin calcium) or Vytorin[®] (simvastatin/ezetimibe). For those patients who have not already tried and failed to achieve acceptable LDL-c reductions on the preferred agents, it will be necessary to switch them to one of the preferred high potency statins.

If you would like for First Health Services to identify your Kentucky Medicaid patients currently taking Lipitor[®], please contact our provider relations department at 502-607-8311 or email **Kasie Purvis at kasiepurvis@firsthealth.com**. In order to prevent delays in therapy, please switch your Medicaid patients currently on Lipitor[®] to one of the Medicaid preferred drugs, **simvastatin, Crestor[®] or Vytorin[®]** or obtain prior approval for appropriate patients before October 1, 2008. Thank you for helping Kentucky Medicaid maintain access to prescription coverage by selecting drugs on the preferred drug list whenever possible.

Sincerely,

Kasie Purvis
Provider Education Representative