



## **Prime Therapeutics Position on PBM Industry Consolidation**

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In recent months there has been increasing consolidation in the pharmacy benefit management and retail industries. It is unclear at this time whether consolidation will reshape the industry, but Prime Therapeutics (Prime) believes these changes may not be in the best interest of members or plan sponsors. Reduced access to retail pharmacies for members and less transparency for plan sponsors are possible outcomes.

Prime believes the integrated medical and pharmacy benefits model provides the greatest value to both members and plan sponsors. Our partnership with our Blue Cross and Blue Shield owner-clients allows us to ensure our members are receiving the medications that are proven to improve their health, and thus reduce overall health care costs and improve quality of care, while providing the greatest level of service to our members. For Prime, pharmacy benefit management is not just about industry leading pharmacy cost management, but also about ensuring patients receive the right medications, in the right doses and at the right time. Our focus is not only helping our members and plan sponsors save money, but also helping our members get well and stay well.