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## What PSSNY has done in support of Medicaid program

### Generic Incentive

- PSSNY's suggestion of increasing the dispensing fee paid for generic prescriptions was implemented and credited with achieving significant savings in Medicaid dollars before implementation of the PDL

Carve-out - Stabilized the pharmacy benefit at a time of dramatic change for many recipients

Set the scene for the PDL that has generated significant supplemental rebates

- Other states are now carving out their pharmacy benefit so as to adopt PDL methodology

PDL - First and earliest supporter of the concept when it was presented  
And supporter of it as an administrative initiative

- Worked with DOH to put a P&T committee together years before the legislature agreed

- Supported the PDL as a means of significant savings with the anticipation of goodwill relative to Medicaid pharmacy policies

Asthma - Pharmacists Asthma Network was a pharmacist-led initiative to improve patient compliance through pharmacist interventions. PSSNY trained hundreds of pharmacists in specific disease management techniques with recognition, but no remuneration from the department

Deliveries - Some pharmacies still deliver to Medicaid recipients free of charge as Part of their community service mission. Without this specific service, Medicaid costs would be higher.

### Serialized

#### Forgery-Proof Prescription Program

Despite real concerns about the extra burden that this program imposes on pharmacies generally and also Medicaid providers, PSSNY supported the initiative as another gesture of goodwill to the department and a policy statement supporting administration's efforts to curtail fraud

### Whistleblowers

We have a long record of support for the department's efforts to locate And prosecute for diversion into the gray market ( see minutes of PAC meetings)