

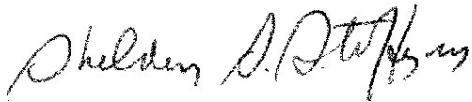
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Topic Update on Thyrogen Billing

As of January 1, 2005, Medicare will reimburse 106% of the average sale price of Thyrogen. This is certainly good news for our future use of Thyrogen. I have recently learned that a distributor, Chronimed, which is based in Minnesota has been able to successfully bill on behalf of Michigan endocrinologists. One Michigan endocrinologist's reports that he has had 11 patients successfully billed by Chronimed. The physician is kept out of the purchasing and billing for the Thyrogen. They apparently have a contact with BCBS of Minnesota to direct bill and have been able to do the same thing for BCBS of Michigan.

I am happy to share this good news with you. If you have any additional experience with Chronimed or any other distributor, I would like to hear about it.

Sincerely Yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sheldon S. Stoffer".

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