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TO: NYSCOPBA Chief Sector Stewards

FROM: Sharon Smith, Health Benefits Specialist

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RE: Empire Plan Recall of Alprazolam 0.5 mg Tablets (Generic

For Xanax) – Lot #8082708

This is notification that there has been a drug recall for Alprazolam 0.5 mg tablets (generic for Xanax) (Lot #8082708 with expiration dates in September 2020). The affected lot was distributed in the US between July 2019 and August 2019. The recall was issued because the product may contain foreign material that could be a health hazard or safety risk. A total of 763 enrollees are affected (plan wide/not NYSCOPBA specific).

CVS has sent recall notices to all members who utilized this lot number of Alprazolam 0.5 mg who used a CVS pharmacy or the CVS Caremark Mail Service Pharmacy to obtain the recalled drug.

The Department of Civil Service has posted information on the recall to "What's New" for NYSHIP Online (www.cs.ny.gov/employee-benefits).

Should a member reach out to you regarding the recall, have them call Mylan Customer Relations at 1-800-796-9526 (M-F 8:00 am to 5:00 pm ET) or visit www.mylan.com. They may also call the FDA at 1-888-463-6332 or visit www.fda.gov.

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cc: NYSCOPBA Executive Board

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