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Major Travis Watson
Uniform Beneficiary Advisory Panel

Dear Major Watson:

The following comments pertain to the activities of the Panel.

I just don't think raising certain drugs to the third tier is all that wise.

Some of the recommended alternates just don't act like the brand names regardless of technicalities. In some cases we are getting inferior products.

We are not being told in advance what drugs are going to the third tier. We don't know until we are charged the \$22.00 co-pay.

Some older retirees are not capable of assimilating the change and finding alternative drugs since they are not being properly and timely advised.. It seems that the communication of changes is only between the Panel and the TriCare pharmacies. I learn through belated news from MOAA. But, what about those who are not members of MOAA?

I am appreciative for the benefits of the TriCare Drug Benefit Program. It has been great for many of us who do not have a military pharmacy close by. However, for military retired, like me, we were promised free health care for life. So long as we pay for Medicare and co- pay for medications that promise is not being kept.