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## Unified Preferred Drug List

Medicaid Fee-for-Service  
and Managed Care Plans

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## Analgesic Agents: NSAIDs

### LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:

Dependent on medication request

NSAID Type	Approval Criteria	Approval Length
Non-Gastroprotective NSAIDs	no less than a <u>30-day</u> trial of at least <u>two</u> non-gastroprotective NSAID medications	365 days
Gastroprotective	patient is undergoing surgical or other medical procedures that may predispose them to potential bleeding complications.	60 days
Gastroprotective	patient is being treated for H. pylori.	30 days
Transdermal/Topical	diclofenac solution: no less than a <u>30-day</u> trial of at least <u>one</u> preferred topical NSAID medications within the past 180 days	90 days

### **PDL CRITERIA:**

Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:

- ☐ Allergy to all medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ Contraindication to or drug-to-drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval. Acceptable contraindications for GASTROPROTECTIVE NSAIDs include:
  - Concurrent or history of a GI event (perforation, ulcer, bleed)
  - Other risks for treatment with NON-GASTROPROTECTIVE NSAIDs:
    - Coagulation disorders (i.e. hemophilia, chronic liver disease), erosive esophagitis
    - Documented NSAID-induced ulcer
    - Peptic ulcer disease (PUD)
    - Patient on warfarin or heparin
    - Patient on oral corticosteroids
    - Patient on methotrexate
- ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

The requested medication may be approved if the following is true:

1. The medication is prescribed for an approved indication
2. There has been a therapeutic failure as defined as:
  - NON-GASTROPROTECTIVE NSAIDS:
    - no less than a 30-day trial of at least two non-gastroprotective NSAID medications
  - OR**
  - GASTROPROTECTIVE NSAIDS:
    - no less than a 30-day trial of a gastroprotective NSAID medication.
  - OR**
  - patient is undergoing surgical or other medical procedures that may predispose them

to potential bleeding complications.

**OR**

- patient is being treated for H. pylori.
- TRANSDERMAL/TOPICAL:
  - no less than a 30-day trial of at least one preferred topical NSAID medications within the past 180 days

#### **ANALGESIC AGENTS: NON-GASTROPROTECTIVE NSAIDS**

<b>NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
DICLOFENAC SODIUM (generic of Voltaren®) DICLOFENAC POTASSIUM (generic of Cataflam®) ETODOLAC (generic of Lodine, Lodine XL) IBUPROFEN Tablets and Susp (generic of Motrin®) INDOMETHACIN (generic of Indocin®) KETOROLAC MECLOFENAMATE SODIUM MEFENAMIC ACID (generic of Ponstel®) MELOXICAM (generic of Mobic®) NABUMETONE NAPROXEN NAPROXEN SUSP (no PA age <12) OXAPROZIN (generic of Daypro®) PIROXICAM (generic of Feldene®) SULINDAC	FENOPROFEN KETOPROFEN NAPRELAN (naproxen) NAPROXEN CR, DR NAPROXEN SUSP (PA required age ≥12) QMIIZ ODT™ (meloxicam) TIVORBEX® (indomethacin) TOLMETIN VIVLODEX™ (meloxicam) ZORVOLEX® (diclofenac)

#### **ANALGESIC AGENTS: GASTROPROTECTIVE NSAIDS**

<b>NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
CELECOXIB (generic for Celebrex®) (no PA required for age 60 or older)	CELECOXIB (generic for Celebrex®) (PA required for under age 60) DICLOFENAC/MISOPROSTOL (generic of Arthrotec®) DUEXIS® (ibuprofen/famotidine) VIMOVO® (naproxen/esomeprazole)

#### **ANALGESIC AGENTS: NSAIDS TRANSDERMAL/TOPICAL**

<b>NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
DICLOFENAC 1% (generic of VOLTAREN® gel)	DICLOFENAC 1.3% patch (generic of FLECTOR® patch) DICLOFENAC 1.5% topical solution (generic of Pennsaid®) PENNSAID® 2% solution (diclofenac sodium)

## Analgesic Agents: Gout

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to an agent not requiring prior approval?

Acceptable reasons include:

- ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ Contraindication to or drug-to-drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval.
- ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

The requested medication may be approved if the following is true:

- ☐ Febuxostat will be approved after 30-day trial of maximum allopurinol dose, or intolerance/contraindication to allopurinol.
- ☐ Colchicine will be approved if any one of the following is true:
  - Diagnosis of Familial Mediterranean Fever (FMF) (180-day approval); OR
  - Trial of one of the following within the last 30 days:
    - NSAID (i.e., indomethacin, naproxen, ibuprofen, sulindac, ketoprofen)
    - Oral corticosteroid
- ☐ Gloperba® will be approved if the member is unable to swallow colchicine tablets or capsules and if all of following are met:
  - Member is using Gloperba for the prevention of gout flares
  - Trial of one of the following within the last 30 days:
    - NSAID (i.e., indomethacin, naproxen, ibuprofen, sulindac, ketoprofen)
    - Oral corticosteroid

### **ANALGESIC AGENTS: GOUT – Agents to Reduce Hyperuricemia**

<b>NO PA REQUIRED “PREFERRED”</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED “NON-PREFERRED”</b>
ALLOPURINOL (generic of Zyloprim®) PROBENECID (generic of Benemid®) PROBENECID-COLCHICINE	FEBUXOSTAT (generic of Uloric®)

### **ANALGESIC AGENTS: GOUT – Analgesic Agents\***

<b>CLINICAL PA REQUIRED “PREFERRED”</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED “NON-PREFERRED”</b>
COLCHICINE tablets (generic of Colcrys®) COLCHICINE capsules (generic of Mitigare®)	GLOPERBA® solution (colchicine)

- \* Colchicine quantity limit 6/claim for acute gout, 60/30 days for chronic gout after trial on xanthine oxidase inhibitor, 120/30 days for FMF
- \* Gloperba quantity limit is 1.2 mg per day

## Analgesic Agents: Opioids

### **LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:**

For the course of therapy, up to 180 days

- ☐ There must have been an inadequate clinical response to preferred alternatives, including a trial of no less than 7 days of one preferred product.

### **OTHER APPROVAL CRITERIA:**

Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:

- ☐ Allergy to at least two unrelated medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ Contraindication to or drug-to-drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ Patient must have failed the generic product (if covered by the state) before brand is authorized, in addition to the above.

### **ADDITIONAL CRITERIA FOR EXCEEDING SHORT-ACTING OPIOID NEW START CRITERIA**

- ☐ System will define “new start” as having less than a 1-day supply of opioids in the previous 90 days
- ☐ Patients receiving short-acting opioids for certain conditions are exempt from these requirements: active cancer treatment, palliative care, and end-of-life/hospice care, sickle cell, severe burn, traumatic crushing of tissue, amputation, major orthopedic surgery
- ☐ Attestation that patient is not opioid naïve will exempt patients from these requirements, for example:
  - If patient is newly eligible for Medicaid and there is no prior claims data
  - If patient was on a higher dose in the hospital
- ☐ To exceed acute opioid limits patient must have:
  - Tried and failed non-pharmacologic treatments and/or non-opioid analgesics ineffective or contraindicated
  - Diagnosis code must be submitted and should be for somatic type pain
  - Benefits and risks of opioid therapy have been discussed with patient (attestation documented on prior authorization form)
  - Prescriber has checked OARRS (attestation documented on prior authorization form)
- Length of authorization: UP TO 90 days, depending on the indication, previous patient utilization, and requested length of therapy (could be more restrictive)

**ADDITIONAL CRITERIA FOR TRANSMUCOSAL FENTANYL:**

- ☐ Diagnosis of cancer pain; and
- ☐ Prescription is from oncologist or pain specialist; and
- ☐ Concurrently taking a long-acting opioid at therapeutic dose (any of the following for  $\geq 1$  week without adequate pain relief):
  - ☐  $\geq 60$  mg oral morphine/day, or
  - ☐  $\geq 25$  mcg/hr transdermal fentanyl, or
  - ☐  $\geq 30$  mg oral oxycodone/day, or
  - ☐  $\geq 8$  mg oral hydromorphone/day, or
  - ☐  $\geq 25$  mg oral oxymorphone/day, or
  - ☐ Equianalgesic dose of another opioid; and
- ☐ Dose is  $\leq 4$  units per day

**ALL LONG-ACTING OPIOIDS REQUIRE PRIOR AUTHORIZATION:**

- ☐ Initial request (90-day approval)
  - ☐ Catastrophic injury or cancer pain does not require additional documentation (documentation should be provided as part of prior authorization form)
  - ☐ All other causes of pain:
    - Documented treatment plan including risk assessment, substance abuse history, concurrent therapies
    - OARRS checked within 7 days prior to initiating long-acting therapy
    - Documentation of pain and function scores at each visit
    - Baseline urine drug test submitted and treatment plan includes requirements for random urine screens
    - Opioid contract required to be in place and should be submitted with prior authorization form
    - Documented failure of both non-opioid pharmacologic and non-pharmacologic treatments
    - History of short-acting opioids for  $\geq 60$  days
    - Daily Dose  $\leq 80$  MED
- ☐ Renewal requests (after initial 90 days then every 180 days)
  - ☐ Current treatment plan
  - ☐ Demonstrated adherence to treatment plan through progress notes including pain and function scores and random urine screens results reviewed and concerns addressed, no serious adverse outcomes observed
- ☐ Dose escalation requests
  - ☐ Prescriber indicates escalation of dose is likely to result in improved function and pain control
  - ☐ Daily Dose  $>100$  MED requires pain specialist or anesthesiologist consultation



**ANALGESIC AGENTS: OPIOIDS – Long-Acting Oral****ALL LONG-ACTING OPIOIDS REQUIRE CLINICAL PRIOR AUTHORIZATION**

<b>CLINICAL PA REQUIRED “PREFERRED”</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED “NON-PREFERRED”</b>
<b>Extended Release Buprenorphine Products</b>	
	BELBUCA™ (Buprenorphine buccal film)
<b>Extended Release Hydrocodone Products</b>	
	HYSINGLA ER® (hydrocodone) HYDROCODONE ER (generic of Zohydro ER®)
<b>Extended Release Morphine Products</b>	
MORPHINE SULFATE ER tablet (generic of MS Contin®)	ARYMO™ (morphine ER) MORPHINE SULFATE ER capsule (generic of Avinza®, Kadian®)
<b>Extended Release Oxycodone Products</b>	
	OXYCODONE ER (generic of Oxycontin®) XTAMPZA® ER (oxycodone)
<b>Extended Release Tramadol Products</b>	
	TRAMADOL ER (generic of Conzip®) TRAMADOL ER (generic of Ryzolt ER®, Ultram ER®)
<b>Extended Release Oxymorphone Products</b>	
	OXYMORPHONE HCL ER tablets (generic of Opana® ER non-abuse-deterrent)
<b>Extended Release Hydromorphone Products</b>	
	HYDROMORPHONE ER (generic of Exalgo® ER)
<b>Extended Release Tapentadol Products</b>	
	NUCYNTA® ER (tapentadol)
<b>Methadone Products</b>	
	METHADONE tablet (generic of Dolophine®) METHADONE HCL oral concentrate 10mg/ml METHADONE HCL SOLN 5mg/5ml, 10mg/5ml METHADONE INTENSOL® 10mg/ml

**ANALGESIC AGENTS: OPIOIDS – Long-Acting Transdermal**

<b>CLINICAL PA REQUIRED “PREFERRED”</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED “NON-PREFERRED”</b>
BUTRANS® patch (buprenorphine)	BUPRENORPHINE patch (generic for Butrans®) FENTANYL PATCH (generic of Duragesic®)

**ANALGESIC AGENTS: OPIOIDS – SHORT-ACTING ORAL SINGLE-ENTITY \***

Effective July 1, 2018, patients with short acting opioid therapy will be limited to 30 MED per prescription and a maximum of 7 days per prescription. Prior authorization will be required to exceed these limits\*

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
<b>Codeine Products</b>	
CODEINE SULFATE tablet	
<b>Hydromorphone Products</b>	
HYDROMORPHONE HCL tablet (generic of Dilaudid®)	
<b>Levorphanol Products</b>	
	LEVORPHANOL TABLETS (generic of Levo-Dromoran)
<b>Meperidine Products</b>	
	MEPERIDINE tablet (generic of Demerol®)
<b>Morphine Products</b>	
MORPHINE SULFATE: immediate-release tablets	
<b>Oxycodone Products</b>	
OXYCODONE HCL capsules OXYCODONE HCL tablets (generic of Roxicodone®)	OXAYDO® (oxycodone)
<b>Oxymorphone Products</b>	
	OXYMORPHONE HCL tablets (generic of Opana®)
<b>Tapentadol Products</b>	
	NUCYNTA® (tapentadol)

## ANALGESIC AGENTS: OPIOIDS – Short-Acting Combination and tramadol

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
<b>Codeine Combinations</b>	
ACETAMINOPHEN w/CODEINE TABLETS (generic of Tylenol® #2, #3, #4)	
<b>Dihydrocodeine Combinations</b>	
	DIHYDROCODEINE/ASPIRIN/CAFFEINE (generic of Synalgos-DC®)
<b>Hydrocodone Combinations</b>	
HYDROCODONE/ACETAMINOPHEN tablets containing 325mg acetaminophen (generic of Lorcet, Lortab, Norco)	BENZHYDROCODONE & ACETAMINOPHEN (generic for APADAZ™) HYDROCODONE/ IBUPROFEN (generic of Ibudone®, Vicoprofen®) HYDROCODONE/ACETAMINOPHEN tablets containing 300mg acetaminophen (generic of Vicodin®, Xodol®)
<b>Oxycodone Combinations</b>	
OXYCODONE W/ ACETAMINOPHEN tablets (generic of Percocet®)	OXYCODONE W/ IBUPROFEN (generic of Combunox®) PRIMLEV® (oxycodone/ acetaminophen) PROLATE® (oxycodone/ acetaminophen)
<b>Pentazocine Combinations</b>	
<i>Not advocated for use</i>	PENTAZOCINE/NALOXONE (generic of Talwin NX®)
<b>Tramadol</b>	
TRAMADOL (generic of Ultram®) TRAMADOL/ACETAMINOPHEN (generic of Ultracet®)	

## ANALGESIC AGENTS: OPIOIDS –Liquids Immediate-Release (Single Entity)

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
HYDROMORPHONE 1mg/ml liquid (generic of Dilaudid-5®) MORPHINE SULFATE solution: 10 mg/5ml, 20mg/5ml, 20mg/ml OXYCODONE oral solution 5mg/5ml, concentrate 20mg/1ml	MEPERIDINE HCL SYRUP 50 mg/5ml (generic of Demerol Oral Syrup®)

## ANALGESIC AGENTS: OPIOIDS – Liquids and Oral Syrup Immediate-Release (Combination)

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
ACETAMINOPHEN w/CODEINE ORAL SOLN 120mg-12mg/5ml (generic of Tylenol w/Codeine Elixir®) HYDROCODONE BITARTRATE w/ ACETAMINOPHEN ELIXIR 2.5mg-167mg/5ml, 2.5mg-108mg/5ml LORTAB® 10mg-300mg/15ml (hydrocodone/acetaminophen)	

**ANALGESIC AGENTS: OPIOIDS – Nasal Inhalers**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
BUTORPHANOL TARTRATE NS	

**ANALGESIC AGENTS: OPIOIDS – Transmucosal System \***

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
	FENTANYL CITRATE (generic of Actiq <sup>®</sup> , Fentora <sup>®</sup> ) SUBSYS <sup>®</sup> (fentanyl)

\* Note: Clinical criteria must be met for transmucosal systems

## Blood Formation, Coagulation, and Thrombosis Agents: Hematopoietic Agents

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** Dependent on diagnosis

**ALL PRODUCTS IN THIS CLASS REQUIRE CLINICAL PRIOR AUTHORIZATION:**

**Requested medication must be used for an approved FDA indication and duration**

**PDL CRITERIA:**

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to all medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
2. Has the patient failed a therapeutic trial of 14 days with one preferred medication?

**BLOOD AGENTS: HEMATOPOIETIC AGENTS**

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
EPOGEN® (epoetin alfa) RETACRIT® (epoetin alfa-epbx)	ARANESP® (darbepoetin alfa) MIRCERA® (methoxy polyethylene glycol-epoetin beta) PROCRIT® (epoetin alfa)

## Blood Formation, Coagulation, and Thrombosis Agents: Colony Stimulating Factors

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:**                      Dependent on diagnosis

**ALL PRODUCTS IN THIS CLASS REQUIRE CLINICAL PRIOR AUTHORIZATION:**

Requested medication must be used for an approved FDA indication and duration

**CRITERIA:**

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to all medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
2. Has the patient failed a therapeutic trial of 14 days with one preferred medication?

**BLOOD AGENTS: HEMATOPOIETIC AGENTS-COLONY STIMULATING FACTORS**

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
GRANIX® (tbo-filgrastim)	FULPHILA™ (pegfilgrastim-jmdb)
UDENYCA® (pegfilgrastim-cbqv)	LEUKINE® (sargramostim)
ZIEXTENZO™ (pegfilgrastim-mez)	NEULASTA® (pegfilgrastim)
	NEUPOGEN® (filgrastim)
	NIVESTYM™ (filgrastim)
	ZARXIO® (filgrastim-sndz)

## Blood Formation, Coagulation, and Thrombosis Agents: Hemophilia Factors

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

**GRANDFATHERING:**

Patients who have a claim for a non-preferred drug in the previous 120 days will be automatically approved to continue the drug through the automated PA system. Patients who have taken the drug previously, but do not have claims history (e.g. new to Medicaid), will be approved for PA after prescriber contact.

**ALL PRODUCTS IN THIS CLASS REQUIRE CLINICAL PRIOR AUTHORIZATION:**

Approval based upon diagnosis and dosage appropriate to weight, patient pharmacokinetic factors, and presence of inhibitors.

**PDL CRITERIA:**

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot use a medication not requiring prior approval?  
Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to all medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
2. Has the patient trialed one preferred medication?
3. For extended half-life factors, prescribing physician attests that patient is not a suitable candidate for treatment with shorter-acting half-life product.
4. If Rebinyn® is requested, confirmation that it is not being used for routine prophylaxis

**BLOOD AGENTS: FACTOR VII CONCENTRATE**

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
NOVOSEVEN (factor VIIa recombinant)	

**BLOOD AGENTS: FACTOR VIII**

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
ADVATE® (factor VIII recombinant) AFSTYLA® (factor VIII recombinant) HEMOFIL M® (factor VIII human) KOATE® (factor VIII human) KOGENATE FS® (factor VIII recombinant) MONOCLATE-P® (factor VIII human) NOVOEIGHT® (factor VIII recombinant) NUWIQ® (factor VIII recombinant) RECOMBINATE® (factor VIII recombinant) XYNTHA® (factor VIII recombinant)	ADYNOVATE® (factor VIII recombinant) † ELOCTATE® (factor VIII recombinant, fc fusion protein) † ESPEROCT® (antihemophilic factor- recombinant, glycopegylated-exei)† JIVI® (factor VIII recombinant, pegylated-aucl) † KOVALTRY® (factor VIII recombinant) OBIZUR® (factor VIII recombinant, porcine sequence)

†Denotes long half-life factor

**BLOOD AGENTS: FACTOR IX**

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
ALPHANINE SD® (factor IX human) ALPROLIX® (factor IX recombinant) † BENEFIX® (factor IX recombinant) IXINITY® (factor IX recombinant) MONONINE® (factor IX human) PROFILNINE® (factor IX complex human) RIXUBIS® (factor IX recombinant)	IDELVION® (factor IX recombinant)† REBINYN® (factor IX recombinant)†

†Denotes long half-life factor

**BLOOD AGENTS: FACTOR XIII**

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
CORIFACT® (factor XIII human)	

**BLOOD AGENTS: ANTI-INHIBITOR COAGULATION COMPLEX**

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
FEIBA® (anti-inhibitor coagulant complex)	

**BLOOD AGENTS: VON WILLEBRAND FACTOR**

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
	VONVENDI® (Von Willebrand factor recombinant)

**BLOOD AGENTS: VON WILLEBRAND FACTOR/FACTOR VIII**

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
ALPHANATE® (factor VIII/Von Willebrand factor human) HUMATE-P® (factor VIII/Von Willebrand factor human) WILATE® (factor VIII/Von Willebrand factor human)	

**ADDITIONAL CRITERIA FOR EMICIZUMAB-KXWH (HEMLIBRA®)**

- Indicated for hemophilia A (factor VIII deficiency):
  - Patient has factor VIII inhibitors or hemophilia A without inhibitors with documented failure to meet clinical goals (e.g., continuation of spontaneous bleeds, inability to achieve appropriate trough level previous history of inhibitors) after a trial of prophylactic factor VIII replacement products.
  - Patient will not use concurrently with activated prothrombin complex concentrate (aPCC).
  - Dose not exceed no more than 6 mg/kg per month in aggregate.

**MONOCLONAL MODIFIED IMMUNOGLOBULIN G4 ANTIBODY\***

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
HEMLIBRA® (emicizumab-kxwh)	

\* Note: Clinical criteria must be met



## Blood Formation, Coagulation, and Thrombosis Agents: Heparin-Related Preparations

### **LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:**

Varies based on criteria below

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to all medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
2. Has the patient failed a therapeutic trial of 14 days with a medication not requiring prior approval?

### **DURATION OF THERAPY LIMIT:**

35 days

Guidelines from the American College of Chest Physicians limit duration of therapy in the outpatient setting for most indications to less than five weeks. Patients should be transitioned to oral warfarin as soon as possible.

Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to oral warfarin? Acceptable reasons include:

- ☐ patients with cancer (approved up to 180 days),
- ☐ pregnant women (approved up to 280 days), or
- ☐ patients unable to take warfarin (approved up to 180 days).

### **BLOOD AGENTS: HEPARIN-RELATED PREPARATIONS**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
ENOXAPARIN (generic of Lovenox®)	FONDAPARINUX (generic of Arixtra®) FRAGMIN® (dalteparin)

## Blood Formation, Coagulation, and Thrombosis Agents: Oral Anticoagulants

### INDICATION AND LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATION:

Requested medication must be used for an approved FDA indication and duration

### APPROVAL CRITERIA:

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to all medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
2. Has the patient failed a therapeutic trial of 14 days with two medications in the same class not requiring prior approval?

### **BLOOD AGENTS: ORAL ANTICOAGULANTS**

<b>NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
ELIQUIS® (apixaban) PRADAXA® (dabigatran) WARFARIN (generic of Coumadin®) XARELTO® (rivaroxaban)	SAVAYSA® (edoxaban)

### **BLOOD AGENTS: PLATELET AGGREGATION INHIBITORS**

<b>NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
ASPIRIN BRILINTA® (ticagrelor) CLOPIDOGREL (generic of Plavix®) PRASUGREL (generic of Effient®)	YOSPRALA™ (aspirin/omeprazole) ZONTIVITY® (vorapaxar sulfate)

## Cardiovascular Agents: Angina, Hypertension & Heart Failure

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

### **HYPERPOLARIZATION-ACTIVATED CYCLE NUCLEOTIDE-GATED CHANNEL INHIBITOR CLINICAL PRIOR AUTHORIZATION CRITERIA:**

Ivabradine (Corlanor®) may be approved if all of the following are met:

1. Diagnosis of stable, symptomatic heart failure, and
2. Left ventricular ejection fraction less than or equal to 35%, and
3. Resting heart rate 70 bpm or higher, and
4. Patient in sinus rhythm, and
5. Heart failure symptoms persisting with maximally tolerated doses of beta blockers, or patient has a contraindication to beta blocker therapy.

### **ARB/ NEPRILYSIN INHIBITOR COMBINATION CLINICAL PRIOR AUTHORIZATION CRITERIA:**

Valsartan/sacubitril (Entresto™) may be approved if all the following are met:

1. Diagnosis of chronic heart failure (NYHA Class II-IV), and
2. Left ventricular ejection fraction less than or equal to 40%

### **OTHER APPROVAL CRITERIA:**

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a preferred medication? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with preferred medications
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to preferred medications
2. The requested medication may be approved if both of the following are true:
  - ☐ If there has been a therapeutic failure to no less than a 30-day trial of at least two medication within the same class not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ The requested medication's corresponding generic (if covered by the state) has been attempted and failed or is contraindicated
3. If there is a specific indication for a medication requiring prior approval, for which medications not requiring prior approval are not indicated, then may approve the requested medication. This medication should be reviewed for need at each request for reauthorization.

**ACE INHIBITORS**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
BENAZEPRIL (generic of Lotensin®) CAPTOPRIL (generic of Capoten®) ENALAPRIL (generic of Vasotec®) EPANED® (enalapril oral solution) FOSINOPRIL (generic of Monopril®) LISINOPRIL (generic of Zestril®, Prinivil®) MOEXIPRIL (generic of Univasc®) PERINDOPRIL ERBUMINE (generic of Aceon®) QUINAPRIL (generic of Accupril®) RAMIPRIL (generic of Altace®) TRANDOLAPRIL (generic of Mavik®)	QBRELIS™ (lisinopril oral solution)

**ACE INHIBITORS/CCB COMBINATION**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
AMLODIPINE/BENAZEPRIL (generic of Lotrel®) VERAPAMIL/TRANDOLAPRIL (generic of Tarka®)	PRESTALIA® (perindopril-amlodipine tablet)

**ACE INHIBITORS/DIURETIC COMBINATION**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
BENAZEPRIL/HCTZ (generic of Lotensin HCT®) CAPTOPRIL/HCTZ (generic of Capozide®) ENALAPRIL/HCTZ (generic of Vaseretic®) FOSINOPRIL/HCTZ (generic of Monopril HCT®) LISINOPRIL/HCTZ (generic of Zestoretic®, Prinzide®) MOEXIPRIL/HCTZ (generic of Uniretic®) QUINAPRIL/HCTZ (generic of Accuretic®)	

**ALDOSTERONE ANTAGONIST**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
SPIRONOLACTONE (generic of Aldactone®)	CAROSPIR® SUSP (spironolactone suspension)

**ALPHA-BETA BLOCKERS**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
CARVEDILOL (generic of Coreg®) LABETALOL (generic of Trandate®)	CARVEDILOL ER (generic of COREG CR™)

**ANGIOTENSIN II RECEPTOR ANTAGONISTS**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
IRBESARTAN (generic of Avapro®) LOSARTAN (generic of Cozaar®) VALSARTAN (generic of Diovan®)	CANDESARTAN (generic of Atacand®) EDARBI® (azilsartan) EPROSARTAN (generic of Teveten®) OLMESARTAN (generic of Benicar®) TELMISARTAN (generic of Micardis®)

**ANGIOTENSIN II RECEPTOR ANTAGONISTS/ DIURETIC COMBINATION**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
IRBESARTAN-HCTZ (generic of Avalide®) LOSARTAN-HCTZ (generic of Hyzaar®) VALSARTAN/HCTZ (generic of Diovan HCT®)	CANDESARTAN/HCTZ (generic of Atacand HCT®) EDARBYCLOR™ (azilsartan/ chlorthalidone) OLMESARTAN/HCTZ (generic of Benicar HCT®) TELMISARTAN/HCTZ (generic of Micardis HCT®) TEVETEN HCT® (eprosartan/HCTZ)

**ANGIOTENSIN II RECEPTOR ANTAGONISTS/ BETA BLOCKERS COMBINATION**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
Trial of Preferred Beta blocker and a preferred angiotensin II receptor antagonist	

**ANGIOTENSIN II RECEPTOR ANTAGONISTS/ CALCIUM CHANNEL BLOCKER COMBINATION**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
AMLODIPINE/OLMESARTAN (generic of Azor®) AMLODIPINE/ TELMISARTAN (generic of Twynsta®) AMLODIPINE/VALSARTAN (generic of Exforge®)	

**ANGIOTENSIN II RECEPTOR ANTAGONISTS/ CALCIUM CHANNEL BLOCKER/DIURETIC COMBINATION**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
AMLODIPINE/ VALSARTAN /HCTZ (generic of Exforge® HCT)	OLMESARTAN/AMLODIPINE/HCTZ (generic of Tribenzor®)

**ANGIOTENSIN II RECEPTOR ANTAGONIST/ NEPRILYSIN INHIBITOR COMBINATION\***

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
ENTRESTO™ (valsartan/sacubitril)	

\* Note: Clinical criteria must be met

**BETA BLOCKERS**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
ACEBUTOLOL (generic of Sectral®) ATENOLOL (generic of Tenormin®) BETAXOLOL (generic of Kerlone®) BISOPROLOL FUMARATE (generic of Zebeta®) HEMANGEOL® (propranolol hydrochloride) METOPROLOL SUCCINATE (generic of Toprol XL®) METOPROLOL TARTRATE (generic of Lopressor®) NADOLOL (generic of Corgard®) PINDOLOL (generic of Viskin®) PROPRANOLOL (generic of Inderal®) PROPRANOLOL ER (generic of Inderal LA®) SOTALOL (generic of Betapace®) SOTALOL AF (generic of Betapace AF®) TIMOLOL (generic of Blocadren®)	BYSTOLIC® (nebivolol) INNOPRAN XL® (propranolol) KAPSPARGO SPRINKLE™ (metoprolol succinate) LEVATOL® (penbutolol) SOTYLIZE® oral solution (sotalol solution)

**BETA-BLOCKERS/DIURETIC COMBINATION**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
ATENOLOL/CHLORTHALIDONE (generic of Tenoretic®) BISOPROLOL/HCTZ (generic of Ziac®) METOPROLOL TARTRATE/HCTZ (generic of Lopressor HCT®) NADOLOL/BENDROFLUMETHIAZIDE (generic of Corzide®) PROPRANOLOL/HCTZ (generic of Inderide®)	

**CALCIUM CHANNEL BLOCKERS- DIHYDROPYRIDINE**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
AMLODIPINE (generic of Norvasc®) FELODIPINE (generic of Plendil®) NICARDIPINE (generic of Cardene®) NIFEDIPINE ER (generic of Procardia XL®, Adalat CC®) NIFEDIPINE IMMEDIATE RELEASE (generic of Procardia®)	ISRADIPINE (generic of Dynacirc®) KATERZIA® oral suspension (amlodipine) NIMODIPINE (generic of Nimotop®)* NYMALIZE oral solution (nimodipine solution) * NISOLDIPINE (generic of Sular®)

\* Note: nimodipine only approvable for 21 days after subarachnoid hemorrhage.

**CALCIUM CHANNEL BLOCKERS- NON-DIHYDROPYRIDINE**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
DILTIAZEM (generic of Cardizem®) DILTIAZEM ER (generic of Cardizem CD® q24h, Tiazac®) DILTIAZEM SR (generic of Cardizem SR® q12h) VERAPAMIL (Generic of Calan®) VERAPAMIL SR/ER (Generic of Calan SR®, Isoptin SR®, Verelan®)	DILTIAZEM 24H ER tablet (generic of Cardizem LA®) VERAPAMIL ER PM (generic of Verelan PM®)

**CHRONIC STABLE ANGINA**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
<b>RANOLAZINE (generic of Ranexa®)</b>	

**DIRECT RENIN INHIBITORS\* and combinations**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
Trial of any one preferred anti-hypertensive agent	ALISKIREN (generic Tekturna®) TEKTURN HCT® (aliskiren/HCTZ)

**HYPERPOLARIZATION-ACTIVATED CYCLE NUCLEOTIDE-GATED CHANNEL INHIBITOR\***

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
	CORLANOR® (ivabradine)

\* Note: Clinical criteria must be met

## Cardiovascular Agents: Antiarrhythmics

### LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:

365 Days

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to all medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
2. Has the patient failed a therapeutic trial of 30 days with one medication not requiring prior approval?

### **CARDIOVASCULAR AGENTS: ANTIARRHYTHMICS**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
AMIODARONE (generic of Cordarone®) 200mg DISOPYRAMIDE PHOSPHATE IR (generic of Norpace®) Norpace® CR (disopyramide phosphate ER) FLECAINIDE (generic of Tambocor®) MEXILITINE PROPAFENONE (generic of Rythmol®) PROPAFENONE ER (generic of Rythmol SR®) QUINIDINE GLUCONATE ER QUINIDINE SULFATE QUINIDINE SULFATE ER TIKOSYN® (dofetilide)	AMIODARONE 100mg, 400mg MULTAQ® (dronedarone)

## Cardiovascular Agents: Lipotropics

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 days all Lipotropics except Omega-3 Fatty Acid 60 days for Omega-3 Polyunsaturated Fatty Acid

<b>Trial period</b>	30 days for HMG-CoA Reductase Inhibitors, Niacin derivatives, ezetimibe (Zetia®), 90 days for Fibrates, 12 weeks for PCSK9 Inhibitors and 12 weeks for ATP Citrate Lyase (ACL) Inhibitors
<b>Number of non-PA agents</b>	1 medication – The assumption is that the medication must be in the same class of the medication requested, if available, except for HMG-CoA reductase inhibitors- see specific criteria

### **GENERAL GUIDELINES:**

- ☐ Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to or drug-to-drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval (pravastatin is the only HMG-CoA not metabolized by the cytochrome P450 liver enzyme system)
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ If there has been a therapeutic failure to no less than two of the HMG-CoA preferred products for a 30-day trial, then a non-preferred HMG-CoA agent will be authorized.

### **ADDITIONAL CRITERIA FOR OMEGA-3 POLYUNSATURATED FATTY ACID AND ICOSAPENT ETHYL (LOVAZA®, VASCEPA®):**

- ☐ Prescription-only omega-3 polyunsaturated fatty acid and icosapent ethyl are approvable only for adult patients with triglyceride levels equal to or greater than 500 mg/dL who have been unable to lower triglyceride levels with fibrates, niacin, or lifestyle changes including diet and exercise.
- ☐ Medications known to increase triglycerides (beta blockers, thiazides, and estrogens) must be discontinued or changed, if clinically appropriate, before the drug is approved. Initial approval will be for 60 days, with evidence of reduced triglycerides required for re-approval.

### **ADDITIONAL CRITERIA FOR COLESEVELAM (WELCHOL®):**

- ☐ Colesevelam may be approved as first-line therapy if there is a diagnosis of diabetes
- ☐ Will be approved through systematic PA if there is a history of an oral hypoglycemic or insulin in the previous 120 days

### **ADDITIONAL CRITERIA FOR PCSK9 INHIBITORS:**

- ☐ All products in this class require clinical prior authorization:
  - ☐ Age ≥18 years or Age ≥ 13 years and Homozygous Familial Hypercholesterolemia (HoFH)
  - ☐ Documented adherence to prescribed lipid lowering medications for previous 90 days



Baseline lab results are required, and approvals will be limited to 12 weeks initially and then annually thereafter. Subsequent approvals will require additional levels being done to assess changes.

- Lipid profile required at week 8 for HeFH or ASCVD
- Lipid profile required after 3<sup>rd</sup> dose for HoFH

Diagnosis of Heterozygous Familial Hypercholesterolemia (HeFH): must meet both:

1. Total Cholesterol > 290 mg/dL or LDL-C > 190 mg/dL and one of the following:
  - Presence of tendon xanthomas or 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> degree relative with documented tendon xanthomas, MI at age ≤ 60 years or TC > 290 mg/dL**OR**
  - Confirmation of diagnosis by gene or receptor testing
2. Unable to reach goal LDL-C with maximally tolerated dose of statin
  - A trial of 2 or more statins, at least one must be atorvastatin

Diagnosis of Clinical Atherosclerotic Cardiovascular Disease: must meet both:

1. History of MI, angina, coronary or other arterial revascularization, stroke, TIA or PVD of atherosclerotic origin and
2. Unable to reach goal LDL-C with maximally tolerated dose of statin
  - A trial of 2 or more statins, at least one must be atorvastatin

Diagnosis of Homozygous Familial Hypercholesterolemia (HoFH): must meet all:

1. Total cholesterol and LDL-C > 600 mg/dL and TG within reference range or confirmation of diagnosis by gene or receptor testing
2. Unable to reach goal LDL-C with maximally tolerated dose of statin plus ezetimibe (Zetia®) 10 mg daily with at least 1 other concurrently administered lipid lowering agent
3. Age ≥ 13 years old

#### **ADDITIONAL CRITERIA FOR ATP Citrate Lyase (ACL) Inhibitor:**

- All products in this class require clinical prior authorization:
  - Age ≥ 18 years
  - A trial and failure with one PCSK9 inhibitor
  - Unable to reach goal LDL-C after a trial of 2 or more statins (one must be atorvastatin) at the maximally tolerated dose
    - Nexlizet™ (bempedoic acid and ezetimibe tablet) approval requires one of the previous statin trials to be in combination with ezetimibe (Zetia®)
    - Documented adherence to prescribed lipid lowering medications for previous 90 days Baseline lab results are required, and approvals will be limited to 12 weeks initially and then annually thereafter. Subsequent approvals will require additional levels being done to assess changes
    - Lipid profile required at week 8 for HeFH or ASCVD

Diagnosis of Heterozygous Familial Hypercholesterolemia (HeFH): must meet both:

1. Total Cholesterol > 290 mg/dL or LDL-C > 190 mg/dL and one of the following:
  - o Presence of tendon xanthomas or 1st or 2nd degree relative with documented tendon xanthomas, MI at age  $\leq$  60 years or TC > 290 mg/dL
- OR**
- o Confirmation of diagnosis by gene or receptor testing

Diagnosis of Clinical Atherosclerotic Cardiovascular Disease:

1. History of MI, angina, coronary or other arterial revascularization, stroke, TIA or PVD of atherosclerotic origin

#### **CARDIOVASCULAR AGENTS: LIPOTROPICS - ATP Citrate Lyase (ACL) Inhibitor**

<b>CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
	NEXLETOL™ (bempedoic acid) NEXLIZET™ (bempedoic acid and ezetimibe)

#### **CARDIOVASCULAR AGENTS: LIPOTROPICS – BILE ACID SEQUESTRANTS**

<b>NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
CHOLESTYRAMINE LIGHT POWDER (generic of Questran Light®) CHOLESTYRAMINE POWDER (generic of Questran®) COLESTIPOL tablets (generic of Colestid® tablets) PREVALITE® POWDER (cholestyramine)	COLESTIPOL granules (generic of Colestid® granules) WELCHOL® packets (colesevelam) WELCHOL® tablets (colesevelam)

#### **CARDIOVASCULAR AGENTS: LIPOTROPICS - STATINS**

<b>NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
ATORVASTATIN (generic of Lipitor®) LOVASTATIN (generic of Mevacor®) PRAVASTATIN (generic of Pravachol®) ROSUVASTATIN (generic of Crestor®) SIMVASTATIN (generic of Zocor®)	ALTOPREV® (lovastatin) EZALLOR™ SPRINKLE (rosuvastatin) FLUVASTATIN (generic of Lescol®, Lescol XL®) LIVALO® (pitavastatin) ZYPITAMAG™ (pitavastatin)

#### **CARDIOVASCULAR AGENTS: LIPOTROPICS - FIBRIC ACID DERIVATIVES**

<b>NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
FENOFIBRATE TABLETS (generic of Tricor®) GEMFIBROZIL (generic of Lopid®)	ANTARA® (fenofibrate micronized capsules) FENOFIBRATE CAPSULES (generic of Lipofen®) FENOFIBRIC ACID CAPSULES (generic of Trilipix®) FENOFIBRIC ACID TABLETS (generic of Fibracor®) LOFIBRA® (fenofibrate micronized capsules) TRIGLIDE® (fenofibrate tablets)

**CARDIOVASCULAR AGENTS: LIPOTROPICS - NICOTINIC ACID DERIVATIVES**

<b>NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
NIACIN	NIACIN ER (generic of Niaspan®)

**CARDIOVASCULAR AGENTS: LIPOTROPICS - OMEGA-3 POLYUNSATURATED FATTY ACIDS**

<b>CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
OMEGA 3-ACID ETHYL ESTERS (generic of Lovaza®)	VASCEPA® (icosapent ethyl)

**CARDIOVASCULAR AGENTS: LIPOTROPICS - SELECTIVE CHOLESTEROL ABSORPTION INHIBITORS**

<b>NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
EZETIMIBE (generic of ZETIA®)	SIMVASTATIN/EZETIMIBE (generic for Vytorin®)

**CARDIOVASCULAR AGENTS: LIPOTROPIC/HYPERTENSION COMBINATION**

<b>NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
Inability to utilize agents separately	AMLODIPINE/ATORVASTATIN (generic of Caduet®)

**CARDIOVASCULAR AGENTS: LIPOTROPICS PCSK9 INHIBITORS\***

<b>CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
	PRALUENT® (alirocumab) REPATHA™ (evolocumab)

\* Note: Clinical criteria must be met

## Cardiovascular Agents: Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

All products in this class require clinical prior authorization: Diagnosis of pulmonary arterial hypertension

**GRANDFATHERING:**

Patients who have a claim for a non-preferred drug in the previous 120 days will be automatically approved to continue the drug through the automated PA system. Patients who have taken the drug in the previous 120 days, but do not have claims history (e.g. new to Medicaid), will be approved for PA after prescriber contact.

**GENERAL GUIDELINES:**

1. Patients who have class 3 or 4 symptoms defined by the NYHA Functional Class for Pulmonary Hypertension may be approved for inhalation or intravenous agents
2. Riociguat (Adempas®) may be approved for patients with persistent/recurrent Chronic Thromboembolic Pulmonary Hypertension (CTEPH) (WHO Group 4) who have had surgical treatment or have inoperable CTEPH.
3. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to all medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
4. Has the patient failed a therapeutic trial of at least 30 days with at least two medications, one of which is a Phosphodiesterase-5 Inhibitor, not requiring prior approval?

**CARDIOVASCULAR AGENTS: PULMONARY ARTERIAL HYPERTENSION, Phosphodiesterase-5 Inhibitor, Oral**

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
REVATIO® oral solution (sildenafil) (no PA required for age 6 or under) SILDENAFIL tablets (generic of Revatio®) TADALAFIL (generic for Adcirca®)	REVATIO® oral solution (sildenafil) (PA required for age over 6)

**CARDIOVASCULAR AGENTS: PULMONARY ARTERIAL HYPERTENSION, Endothelin Receptor Antagonist, Oral**

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
AMBRISENTAN (generic for Letairis®) BOSENTAN tablets (generic for Tracleer®)	OPSUMIT® (macitentan) TRACLEER® Susp (bosentan)

**CARDIOVASCULAR AGENTS: PULMONARY ARTERIAL HYPERTENSION, Prostacyclin Analog, Oral**

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
	ORENITRAM® (treprostinil diolamine)

**CARDIOVASCULAR AGENTS: PULMONARY ARTERIAL HYPERTENSION, Prostacyclin Receptor Agonist, Oral**

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
	UPTRAVI® (selexipag)

**CARDIOVASCULAR AGENTS: PULMONARY ARTERIAL HYPERTENSION, Guanylate Cyclase Stimulators, Oral**

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
	ADEMPAS® (riociguat)

**CARDIOVASCULAR AGENTS: PULMONARY ARTERIAL HYPERTENSION, Prostacyclin Analog, Inhaled**

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
	TYVASO® (treprostinil) VENTAVIS® (iloprost)

**CARDIOVASCULAR AGENTS: PULMONARY ARTERIAL HYPERTENSION, Prostacyclin Analog, Intravenous**

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
	EPOPROSTENOL (generic of Flolan®) REMODULIN® (treprostinil sodium) VELETRI® (epoprostenol)

## Central Nervous System (CNS) Agents: Alzheimer's Agents

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

**GRANDFATHERING:**

Patients who have a claim for a non-preferred drug in the previous 120 days will be automatically approved to continue the drug through the automated PA system. Patients who have taken the drug in the previous 120 days, but do not have claims history (e.g. new to Medicaid), will be approved for PA after prescriber contact.

**OTHER APPROVAL CRITERIA:**

Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:

- ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ Contraindication to or drug-to-drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ Has the patient failed a therapeutic trial of at least 30 days with at least two medications not requiring prior approval?

**ADDITIONAL CRITERIA FOR DONEPEZIL ODT (ARICEPT®) & RIVASTIGMINE PATCH (EXELON®):**

May be approved first-line for a patient who is unable to swallow.

**CNS AGENTS: ALZHEIMER'S AGENTS**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
DONEPEZIL 5mg, 10mg (generic of Aricept®) GALANTAMINE (generic of Razadyne™) GALANTAMINE 4mg/ml solution (generic of Razadyne™) GALANTAMINE ER (generic of Razadyne™ ER) MEMANTINE tablets (generic of Namenda®) RIVASTIGMINE capsules (generic of Exelon®)	DONEPEZIL ODT (generic of Aricept® ODT) DONEPEZIL 23mg (generic of Aricept® 23mg) MEMANTINE 10mg/5ml solution (generic of Namenda®) NAMENDA XR® (memantine ER) NAMZARIC® (memantine ER/donepezil) RIVASTIGMINE patch (generic of Exelon® patch)

## Central Nervous System (CNS) Agents: Anti-Migraine Agents, Acute

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 180 Days

**APPROVAL CRITERIA:**

- Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - Allergy to preferred medications
  - Contraindication to all preferred medications
  - History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to at least two preferred medications
- **STEP THERAPY APPROVAL CRITERIA:**
  - For a drug requiring step therapy, there must have been inadequate clinical response to preferred alternatives, including a trial of at least two weeks with at least two medications not requiring prior approval
  - For a non-preferred drug, there must have been inadequate clinical response to preferred alternatives, including a trial of at least two weeks with at least one medication requiring step therapy

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

In addition to utilizing a preferred agent when applicable, the number of tablets/doses allowed per month is restricted based on the manufacturer's package insert.

**CNS AGENTS: ANTI-MIGRAINE AGENTS – ACUTE MIGRAINE TREATMENT**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
NARATRIPTAN (generic of Amerge®) RIZATRIPTAN tablets (generic of Maxalt®) RIATRIPTAN ODT (generic of Maxalt-MLT®) SUMATRIPTAN tablets, nasal spray, injection (generic of Imitrex®)	NURTEC™ ODT (rimegepant)	ALMOTRIPTAN (generic of Axert®) ELETRIPTAN (generic of Relpax®) ERGOMAR® (ergotamine) FROVA® (frovatriptan) MIGERGOT® (ergotamine w/caffeine) MIGRANAL® (dihydroergotamine) ONZETRA™ XSAIL™ (sumatriptan) REYVOW™ (lasmiditan) TOSYMRA® (sumatriptan) TREXIMET® (sumatriptan/naproxen) UBRELVY™ (ubrogepant) ZOLMITRIPTAN (generic of Zomig®) ZOLMITRIPTAN ODT (generic of Zomig ZMT®) ZOMIG® NASAL SPRAY (zolmitriptan)

## **Central Nervous System (CNS) Agents: Anti-Migraine Agents, Cluster Headache**

### **LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:**

180 Days

### **APPROVAL CRITERIA:**

- Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - Allergy to preferred medications
  - Contraindication to all preferred medications
  - History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to at least one preferred medication

### **ADDITIONAL CRITERIA FOR EPISODIC CLUSTER HEADACHE**

1. At least 5 attacks within 30 days
2. Attacks characterized by severe or very severe unilateral orbital, supraorbital and/or temporal pain lasting 15 to 180 minutes when untreated; during part (but less than half) of the time-course of cluster headache, attacks may be less severe and/or of shorter or longer duration
3. Patient must have one or more of the following symptoms:
  - a) At least one of the following ipsilateral to the headache:
    - I. Conjunctival injection and/or lacrimation
    - II. Nasal congestion and/or rhinorrhea
    - III. Eyelid edema
    - IV. Forehead and facial sweating
    - V. Miosis and/or ptosis
  - b) A sense of restlessness or agitation
4. Attacks have a frequency between one every other day and eight per day; during part (but less than half) of the active time-course of cluster headache, attacks may be less frequent
5. Not better accounted for by another ICHD-3 diagnosis
6. At least two cluster periods lasting from seven days to one year (when untreated) and separated by pain-free remission periods of 90 days or more
7. Failure or intolerance to verapamil titrated at least to a dose of 480 mg daily (may need to be combined with glucocorticoids as adjunctive therapy for more rapid relief until verapamil is titrated)

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

In addition to utilizing a preferred agent when applicable, the number of tablets/doses allowed per month is restricted based on the manufacturer's package insert.



**CNS AGENTS: ANTI-MIGRAINE AGENTS – CLUSTER HEADACHE TREATMENT**

NO PA REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	PA REQUIRED “NON-PREFERRED”
VERAPAMIL (Generic of Calan®) VERAPAMIL SR/ER (Generic of Calan SR®, Isoptin SR®, Verelan®)	EMGALITY™ (galcanezumab)

## Central Nervous System (CNS) Agents: Anti-Migraine Agents, Prophylaxis

### LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:

Initial Authorization 180 days

Subsequent Authorizations 365 days

### APPROVAL CRITERIA:

- Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - Allergy to preferred medications
  - Contraindication to three preferred medications
  - History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to at least three preferred medications

### STEP THERAPY REQUIRED PREFERRED MEDICATION:

- For a drug requiring step therapy, there must have been inadequate clinical response to a trial of at least 30 days each to at least 3 controller migraine medications or has experienced contraindications or intolerance to them (i.e., beta-blockers, anticonvulsants, tricyclic antidepressants, and/or serotonin-norepinephrine reuptake inhibitors).

### NON-PREFERRED MEDICATION:

- For a non-preferred medication drug there must have been inadequate clinical response to a trial of at least 30 days each to at least 3 controller migraine medications or has experienced contraindications or intolerance to them (i.e., beta-blockers, anticonvulsants, tricyclic antidepressants, and/or serotonin-norepinephrine reuptake inhibitors) AND an inadequate clinical response to a trial of at least 30 days of one step therapy required preferred medication

### ADDITIONAL CRITERIA FOR MIGRAINE PROPHYLAXIS:

1. Patient must have one of the following diagnoses:
  - a. **Episodic** migraine with the following frequencies of migraine:
    - I. 4-15 headaches per 30 days measured over 90 consecutive days and headache duration of longer than 4 hours per day or longer during an attack on average.
  - b. **Chronic** migraine with the following frequencies of migraine:
    - I. 15 or more headaches per 30 days measured over 90 consecutive days and headache duration of longer than 4 hours per day or longer during an attack on average
2. Prior Authorization may be approved if the patient has failed a trial of at least 30 days each to at least 3 controller migraine medications or has experienced contraindications or intolerance to them (i.e., beta-blockers, anticonvulsants, tricyclic antidepressants, and/or serotonin-norepinephrine reuptake inhibitors).
3. Initial authorization will be limited to 180 days. Re-authorization for 365 days will be allowed based upon evidence of improved headache control.

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

In addition to utilizing a preferred agent when applicable, the number of tablets/doses allowed per month is restricted based on the manufacturer's package insert.

#### **CNS AGENTS: ANTI-MIGRAINE AGENTS – PROPHYLAXIS TREATMENT**

<b>NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED" (Trials of at least 3 controller medications)</b>	<b>STEP THERAPY REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
Cardiovascular Agents: Beta-blockers CNS Agents: Anticonvulsants CNS Agents: Serotonin-Norepinephrine Reuptake Inhibitors CNS Agents: Tricyclic antidepressants	AIMOVIG™ (erenumab-aooe) † AJOVY™ (fremanezumab-vfrm) *	EMGALITY™ (galcanezumab)

†Initial Dose is limited to 70mg once monthly; may request dose increase if 70mg fails to provide adequate relief over two consecutive months.

\* 675mg doses (quarterly administration) will not be authorized until patient has demonstrated efficacy of medication for at least 90 days.

## Central Nervous System (CNS) Agents: Anticonvulsants

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

**GRANDFATHERING:**

Patients who have a claim for a non-preferred drug in the previous 120 days will be automatically approved to continue the drug through the automated PA system. Patients who have taken the drug in the previous 120 days, but do not have claims history (e.g. new to Medicaid), will be approved for PA after prescriber contact.

**STEP THERAPY:** all agents listed

1. For a drug requiring step therapy, there must have been inadequate clinical response to preferred alternatives, including a trial of no less than 30 days of at least one preferred product.

**OTHER APPROVAL CRITERIA:**

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a preferred medication?  
Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to two preferred medications
  - ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with two preferred medications
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to two preferred medications
  - ☐ The requested medication's corresponding generic (if covered by the state) has been attempted and failed or is contraindicated
2. If there has been a therapeutic failure to no less than two preferred products for a 30 days trial each. Prescriptions submitted with the prescriber NPI of a physician who has registered a neurology specialty with Ohio Medicaid, for products that are used only for seizures, require a trial of one preferred product for 30 days. This provision applies only to the standard tablet/capsule dosage form and does not apply to brand products with available generic alternatives.

**ANTICONVULSANTS: CARBAMAZEPINE DERIVATIVES**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
CARBAMAZEPINE IR tablet, chewable, oral suspension (generic of Tegretol®) CARBAMAZEPINE 12-hour ER capsule, tablet (generic of Carbatrol®, Tegretol XR®) OXCARBAZEPINE tablet, suspension (generic of Trileptal®)	OXTELLAR® XR (oxcarbazepine)

## ANTICONVULSANTS: FIRST GENERATION

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
<b>CLOBAZAM (generic for Onfi®)</b> CLONAZEPAM tablet (generic of Klonopin®) DIVALPROEX (generic of Depakote®) DIVALPROEX ER (generic of Depakote® ER) ETHOSUXAMIDE (generic of Zarontin®) PHENOBARBITAL PHENYTOIN (generic of Dilantin®) PRIMIDONE (generic of Mysoline®) VALPROIC ACID (generic of Depakene®)	CELONTIN® (methsuximide) CLONAZEPAM ODT (generic of Klonopin® wafer) PEGANONE® (ethotoin) STAVZOR® (valproic acid delayed-release) SYMPAZAN™ (clobazam film)

## ANTICONVULSANTS: SECOND GENERATION

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
GABAPENTIN (generic of Neurontin®) LAMOTRIGINE IR tablet, chewable tablet (generic of Lamictal®) LEVETIRACETAM IR tablet, solution (generic of Keppra®) PREGABALIN tablets and solution (generic for Lyrica®) VIGABATRIN powder (generic of SABRIL®) (no PA for age < 2) TOPIRAMATE tablet (generic of Topamax®) ZONISAMIDE (generic of Zonegran®)	FYCOMPA® (perampanel)	BANZEL® (rufinamide) BRIVIACT® (brivaracetam) FELBAMATE (generic of Felbatol®) LAMICTAL® ODT (lamotrigine) LAMOTRIGINE ER tablet (generic of Lamictal® XR) LEVETIRACETAM ER tablet (generic of Keppra® XR) VIGABATRIN powder (generic of SABRIL®) (PA required for age > 2) VIGABATRIN tablet (generic of SABRIL®) SPRITAM® (levetiracetam tablet for suspension) TIAGABINE (generic of Gabitril®) TOPIRAMATE ER (generic of QUDEXY XR®) TOPIRAMATE sprinkle cap (generic of Topamax® sprinkle cap) TROKENDI XR® (topiramate)

## ANTICONVULSANTS: THIRD GENERATION

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
Alternative Anticonvulsant	VIMPAT® (lacosamide)	APTIOM® (eslicarbazepine acetate) XCOPRI™ (cenobamate)

## **ADDITIONAL CRITERIA FOR CANNABINOID**

### **LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:**

Initial Authorization 180 days

Subsequent Authorizations 365 days

- ☐ Patient has a diagnosis of Lennox-Gastaut syndrome, Dravet syndrome or tuberous sclerosis complex
- ☐ Patient has trialed and failed (inadequate seizure control or intolerance) 3 prior anticonvulsant therapies for 30 days each (**Note:** not required to be met for a diagnosis of Dravet Syndrome)
- ☐ Prescriber has obtained serum transaminases (ALT and AST) and total bilirubin levels prior to starting therapy
- ☐ Prescriber must submit documented average number of seizure days per month (measured monthly or quarterly)
  - ☐ Maximum daily dose (QL) not to exceed 20 mg/kg/day (titration based on response/tolerability) for Lennox-Gastaut syndrome or Dravet syndrome and not to exceed 25 mg/kg/day (titration based on response/tolerability) for tuberous sclerosis complex

### **ANTICONVULSANTS: CANNABINOID**

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
EPIDIOLEX® (cannabidiol)†	

†Excluded from Grandfathering. Re-authorization requires documented reduction in average number of seizure days per month (measured monthly or quarterly).

## **ADDITIONAL CRITERIA FOR STIRIPENTOL**

### **LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:**

Initial Authorization 180 days

Subsequent Authorizations 365 days

- ☐ Medication is prescribed by a neurologist or in consultation with a neurologist
- ☐ Patient has Dravet Syndrome
- ☐ Patient has baseline hematologic testing (CBC)
  - ☐ Prescribers must include management plans for patients with neutrophil counts <1500 cells/mm<sup>3</sup> or platelet count less than 150,000/μL
- ☐ Address any co-morbid conditions
  - ☐ Patients with phenylketonuria (PKU) will not be authorized for suspension dosage form without evidence of total daily amount of phenylalanine
- ☐ Patient must be concurrently managed with clobazam.
- ☐ Dose will be restricted based upon patient weight to 50 mg/kg/day. Requested dose not to exceed 3,000mg/day
- ☐ Prescriber must submit documented average number of seizure days per month (measured monthly or quarterly)

**ANTICONSULSANTS: STIRIPENTOL**

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
DIACOMIT® (stiripentol)	

†Excluded from Grandfathering. Re-authorization requires documented reduction in average number of seizure days per month (measured monthly or quarterly).

**ANTICONSULSANTS: RESCUE**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
DIAZEPAM rectal gel (generic of Diastat®) NAYZILAM® (midazolam) VALTOCO® (diazepam)	

## Central Nervous System (CNS) Agents: Antidepressants

### **GRANDFATHERING:**

Patients who have a claim for a non-preferred drug, in the previous 120 days will be automatically approved to continue the drug through the automated PA system. Patients who have taken the drug in the previous 120 days, but do not have claims history (e.g. new to Medicaid), will be approved for PA after prescriber contact.

### **PSYCHIATRIST EXEMPTION:**

Providers (as identified below) are exempt from prior authorization of any non-preferred antidepressant, or step therapy of any preferred brand, in the standard tablet/capsule dosage forms. Other dosage forms may still require prior authorization. The exemption will be processed by the claims system when the pharmacy has submitted the prescriber on the claim using the individual national provider identifier (NPI) for the provider.

- ☐ **FFS:** Physicians who are registered with Ohio Medicaid as having a specialty in psychiatry
- ☐ **MCOs:** Physicians with a specialty in psychiatry, nurse practitioners certified in psychiatric mental health, or clinical nurse specialists certified in psychiatric mental health, who are credentialed via the Medicaid managed care plan

### **LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:**

365 Days

1. If there has been a therapeutic failure to no less than two preferred products for a 30-day trial each.
2. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a preferred medication? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to preferred medications
  - ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with preferred medications
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to preferred medications
  - ☐ For orally disintegrating tablet dosage forms, the patient is unable or unwilling to swallow the standard tablet/capsule dosage form.
  - ☐ The requested medication's corresponding generic (if covered by the state) has been attempted and failed or is contraindicated.



**ANTIDEPRESSANTS: SELECTIVE SEROTONIN REUPTAKE INHIBITOR (SSRI)\***

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
CITALOPRAM solution (generic of Celexa®) CITALOPRAM tablets (generic of Celexa®) ESCITALOPRAM (generic of Lexapro®) FLUOXETINE HCL capsules, tablets, solution (generic of Prozac®) FLUVOXAMINE MALEATE (generic of Luvox®) PAROXETINE HCL (generic of Paxil®) SERTRALINE (generic of Zoloft®) SERTRALINE oral concentrate (generic of Zoloft®)	BRISDELLE® (paroxetine mesylate) FLUOXETINE HCL tablets (generic of Sarafem®) FLUOXETINE HCL tablets 60 mg (generic of Prozac®) FLUOXETINE ER (generic of Prozac Weekly®) FLUVOXAMINE ER (generic of Luvox CR®) PAROXETINE ER (generic of Paxil CR®) PEXEVA® (paroxetine mesylate)

**ANTIDEPRESSANTS: SEROTONIN-NOREPINEPHRINE REUPTAKE INHIBITORS (SNRI)\***

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
DULOXETINE 20mg, 30mg, 60mg (generic of Cymbalta®) VENLAFAXINE (generic of Effexor®) VENLAFAXINE ER capsule (generic of Effexor XR®)	CLOMIPRAMINE (generic of Anafranil®) DESVENLAFAXINE ER (generic of Khedezla ER®) DESVENLAFAXINE ER tablet DESVENLAFAXINE FUMARATE DRIZALMA SPRINKLE® (duloxetine DR) DULOXETINE 40mg (generic of Irenka®) FETZIMA® (levomilnacipran) PRISTIQ® (desvenlafaxine) VENLAFAXINE ER tablet

**ANTIDEPRESSANTS: NOREPINEPHRINE AND DOPAMINE REUPTAKE INHIBITORS (NDRI)\***

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
BUPROPION HCL (generic of Wellbutrin®) BUPROPION SR (generic of Wellbutrin SR®) BUPROPION XL (generic of Wellbutrin XL®)	APLENZIN™ (bupropion) BUPROPION XL (generic of Forfivo XL®)

**ANTIDEPRESSANTS: ALPHA-2 RECEPTOR ANTAGONISTS\***

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
MIRTAZAPINE (generic of Remeron®) MIRTAZAPINE rapid dissolve (generic of Remeron® Sol-Tab)	

**ANTIDEPRESSANTS: MONOAMINE OXIDASE INHIBITORS (MAOI)\***

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
TRANLYCYPROMINE (generic of Parnate®)	EMSAM® patches (selegiline) MARPLAN® (isocarboxazid) PHENELZINE (generic of NARDIL®)

**ANTIDEPRESSANTS: Serotonin-2 Antagonist/Reuptake Inhibitors (SARI)\***

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
NEFAZODONE TRAZODONE 50mg, 100mg, 150mg	OLEPTRO ER® (trazodone) TRAZODONE 300mg

**ANTIDEPRESSANTS: SSRI - SEROTONIN PARTIAL AGONIST\***

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
	TRINTELLIX® (vortioxetine) VIBRYD® (vilazodone)

## Central Nervous System (CNS) Agents: Atypical Antipsychotics

### **GRANDFATHERING:**

Patients who have a claim for a non-preferred drug, or drug requiring step therapy, in the previous 120 days will be automatically approved to continue the drug through the automated PA system. Patients who have taken the drug in the previous 120 days, but do not have claims history (e.g. new to Medicaid), will be approved for PA after prescriber contact.

### **PSYCHIATRIST EXEMPTION:**

Providers (as identified below) are exempt from prior authorization of any non-preferred second-generation antipsychotic, or step therapy of any preferred brand, in the standard tablet/capsule dosage forms. Other dosage forms may still require prior authorization. The exemption will be processed by the claims system when the pharmacy has submitted the prescriber on the claim using the individual national provider identifier (NPI) for the provider.

- ❑ **FFS:** Physicians who are registered with Ohio Medicaid as having a specialty in psychiatry
- ❑ **MCOs:** Physicians with a specialty in psychiatry, nurse practitioners certified in psychiatric mental health, or clinical nurse specialists certified in psychiatric mental health, who are credentialed via the Medicaid managed care plan

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

### **STEP THERAPY:** all agents listed

1. For a drug requiring step therapy, there must have been inadequate clinical response to preferred alternatives, including a trial of no less than 30 days of at least one preferred product
2. For a non-preferred drug, there must have been inadequate clinical response to preferred alternatives, including a trial of no less than 30 days each of at least two preferred or step therapy products

### **ADDITIONAL CRITERIA FOR AGENTS FOR PARKINSON'S DISEASE PSYCHOSIS (NUPLAZID™):**

Pimavanserin (Nuplazid™) may be approved if all the following are met:

1. Patient is diagnosed with Parkinson's disease and has psychotic symptoms (hallucinations and/or delusions) that started after Parkinson's diagnosis
2. These psychotic symptoms are severe and frequent enough to warrant treatment with an antipsychotic AND are not related to dementia or delirium
3. The patient's other medications for Parkinson's Disease have been reduce or adjusted and psychotic symptoms remain OR patient is unable to tolerate adjustment of these other medications
4. There has been inadequate clinical response to a trial of no less than 30 days of either quetiapine or clozapine OR these therapies cannot be utilized
5. An exemption to the criteria will be granted for prescribing doctors with a neurology specialty to a patient with a history of an anti-Parkinson's agent

**OTHER APPROVAL CRITERIA:**

Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a preferred medication?

Acceptable reasons include:

- ☐ Allergy to preferred medications
- ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with preferred medications
- ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to preferred medications
- ☐ For orally disintegrating tablet dosage forms, the patient is unable or unwilling to swallow the standard tablet/capsule dosage form.
- ☐ The requested medication's corresponding generic (if covered by the state) has been attempted and failed or is contraindicated.
- ☐ Lurasidone (pregnancy category B) may be approved if a patient is pregnant
- ☐ Abilify Mycite® will be restricted to prescribing by a psychiatrist following an aripiprazole serum blood level draw indicating need for further investigation of adherence.

**ANTIPSYCHOTICS, SECOND GENERATION, ORAL**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
ARIPIPRAZOLE tablet (generic of Abilify®) CLOZAPINE (generic of Clozaril®) OLANZAPINE (generic of Zyprexa®) QUETIAPINE ER (generic of Seroquel XR®) QUETIAPINE (generic of Seroquel®) RISPERIDONE (generic of Risperdal®) ZIPRASIDONE (generic of Geodon®)	LATUDA® (lurasidone) FANAPT® (iloperidone) SAPHRIS® (asenapine)	ABILIFY DISCMLT® (aripiprazole) ABILIFY MYCITE® (aripiprazole with IEM) ARIPIPRAZOLE solution (generic of Abilify®) CAPLYTA™ (lumateperone) CLOZAPINE RAPID DIS (generic of Clozaril®) OLANZAPINE ODT (generic of Zyprexa® Zydis) PALIPERIDONE (generic of INVEGA®) REXULTI® (brexpiprazole) SAPHRIS® (asenapine) SECUADO® (asenapine) VERSACLOZ® (clozapine oral suspension) VRAYLAR™ (cariprazine capsule)

**ANTIPSYCHOTICS, SECOND GENERATION, AGENTS FOR PARKINSON'S PSYCHOSIS\***

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
		NUPLAZID™ (pimavanserin)

\* Note: Clinical criteria must be met

**ANTIPSYCHOTICS, SECOND GENERATION and SSRI COMBINATION**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
	A trial of no less than 30 days each of at least two preferred second-generation oral antipsychotics or step therapy products	FLUOXETINE/OLANZAPINE (generic of Symbyax®)

**ANTIPSYCHOTICS, SECOND GENERATION, LONG-ACTING INJECTABLES +**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
ABILIFY MAINTENA® (aripiprazole) ARISTADA™ (aripiprazole lauroxil) ARISTADA™ Initio (aripiprazole lauroxil) INVEGA SUSTENNA® (paliperidone) INVEGA TRINZA® (paliperidone) PERSERIS™ (risperidone) RISPERDAL CONSTA® (risperidone) ZYPREXA RELPREVV® (olanzapine)	

\* Long-Acting Injectable Antipsychotics may be billed by the pharmacy if they are not dispensed directly to the patient. If not administered by the pharmacist, the drug must be released only to the administering provider or administering provider's staff, following all regulations for a Prescription Pick-Up Station as described by the Ohio Board of Pharmacy.

## Central Nervous System (CNS) Agents: Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder Agents

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

Short Acting considered separately from Long Acting products

Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:

- ☐ Allergy to at least two medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ Contraindication to all medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to at least two medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ Preferred long-acting non-solid dosage forms may be approved for a patient over age 12 if the patient is unable to swallow pills
- ☐ Has the patient failed a therapeutic trial of at least 14 days with at least two medications not requiring prior approval?

### CNS AGENTS: ATTENTION DEFICIT HYPERACTIVITY DISORDER AGENTS – SHORT ACTING

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
AMPHETAMINE SALTS (generic of Adderall®) DEXMETHYLPHENIDATE (generic of Focalin®) DEXTROAMPHETAMINE (generic of Dexedrine®) METHYLPHENIDATE tablets (generic of Ritalin®)	DEXTROAMPHETAMINE solution (generic of Procentra®) EVEKEO® (amphetamine sulfate) EVEKEO ODT™ (amphetamine sulfate ODT) METHAMPHETAMINE (generic of Desoxyn®) ZENZEDI® (dextroamphetamine sulfate)

### CNS AGENTS: ATTENTION DEFICIT HYPERACTIVITY DISORDER AGENTS – SHORT ACTING, NON- SOLID DOSAGE FORMS

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
	METHYLPHENIDATE solution, chewable tablets (generic of Methylin®)

**CNS AGENTS: ATTENTION DEFICIT HYPERACTIVITY DISORDER AGENTS – LONG ACTING, SOLID DOSAGE FORMS**

<b>NO PA REQUIRED “PREFERRED”</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED “NON-PREFERRED”</b>
ATOMOXETINE (generic of Strattera®) APTENSIO XR™ (methylphenidate) DEXMETHYLPHENIDATE ER (generic of Focalin XR®) DEXTROAMPHETAMINE-AMPHETAMINE XR (generic of Adderall XR®) DEXTROAMPHETAMINE SA (generic of Dexedrine® spansule) GUANFACINE ER (generic of Intuniv®) METHYLPHENIDATE ER (generic of Metadate® ER, Methylin® ER, Ritalin SR®) METHYLPHENIDATE CD (generic of Metadate® CD) METHYLPHENIDATE ER (generic of Concerta®) METHYLPHENIDATE LA (generic of Ritalin® LA) VYVANSE® (lisdexamfetamine)	ADHANSIA XR® (methylphenidate hydrochloride ER) CLONIDINE ER (generic of Kapvay®) JORNAY PM™ (methylphenidate ER) MYDAYIS™ (amphetamine-dextroamphetamine ER)

**CNS AGENTS: ATTENTION DEFICIT HYPERACTIVITY DISORDER AGENTS – LONG ACTING, NON- SOLID DOSAGE FORMS**

<b>CLINICAL PA REQUIRED “PREFERRED”</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED “NON-PREFERRED”</b>
QUILLICHEW™ ER (methylphenidate tablet, chewable, extended release) (no PA required for age 12 or under) VYVANSE® chewable (lisdexamfetamine) (no PA required for age 12 or under)	ADZENYS™ XR-ODT, Susp (amphetamine tablet, ODT) COTEMPLA XR-ODT™ (methylphenidate, ODT) DAYTRANA® (methylphenidate) DYANAVAL™ XR (amphetamine ER oral suspension) QUILLICHEW™ ER (methylphenidate tablet, chewable, extended release) (PA required for age over 12) QUILLIVANT XR® suspension (methylphenidate) VYVANSE® chewable (lisdexamfetamine) (PA required for age over 12)

## Central Nervous System (CNS) Agents: Fibromyalgia Agents

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to at least two medications in different classes (see below) not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to all medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to at least two medications in different classes (see below) not requiring prior approval
2. Non-preferred medications will be approved for fibromyalgia after trial of agents from no less than two of the following drug classes for at least 14 days each in the past 90 days (guidelines suggest use of multiple agents concurrently to manage the signs of fibromyalgia):
  - ☐ Gabapentin
  - ☐ Pregabalin
  - ☐ Short- and/or long-acting opioids\*\*
  - ☐ Skeletal muscle relaxants
  - ☐ SNRIs
  - ☐ SSRIs
  - ☐ Trazodone
  - ☐ Tricyclic antidepressants

**\*\* The P&T Committee does not recommend the use of opioids for treatment of fibromyalgia**

### CNS AGENTS: FIBROMYALGIA AGENTS

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
PREGABALIN (generic for Lyrica®)	SAVELLA® (milnacipran)

## Central Nervous System (CNS) Agents: Medication Assisted Treatment of Opioid Addiction

### LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:

No PA required for short-acting, buprenorphine containing, oral agents  
 30 days for initial authorization of injectable  
 Not to exceed 180 days for subsequent authorizations of injectable; length depending upon patient status and compliance to treatment plan  
 14-day authorization for Lucemyra® (lofexidine)

### Criteria for Lucemyra (lofexidine)

- Indicated for Opioid Withdrawal, must meet all the following criteria:
  - Diagnosis of opioid dependence or opioid use disorder
  - Age ≥ 18 years
  - Patient is currently undergoing or is scheduled to undergo abrupt opioid discontinuation
  - Medical justification supports why an opioid taper (such as with buprenorphine or methadone) cannot be used
  - Does the patient meet one or more of the following criteria:
    - Therapeutic failure of clonidine due to intolerable adverse effects or inability to reach maximal doses of clonidine due to adverse effects
    - Documented history of intolerance to clonidine (ex: hypotension, bradycardia)
    - Contraindication to clonidine as specified in FDA labeling
    - Lofexidine has already been initiated in an inpatient setting
  - Dose will not exceed 2.88 mg (16 tablets) per day

### **ALPHA-2 ADRENERGIC AGONIST**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
CLONIDINE	LUCEMYRA (lofexidine)

Prescribing for buprenorphine products must follow the requirements of Ohio Administrative Code rule 4731-33-03 *Office based treatment for opioid addiction*.

### **BUPRENORPHINE SAFETY EDITS AND DRUG UTILIZATION REVIEW CRITERIA:**

In favor of eliminating prior authorization for all forms of oral short acting buprenorphine-containing products, ODM and the Managed Care Plans will implement safety edits and a retrospective drug utilization review process for all brand and generic forms of oral short acting buprenorphine-containing products.



## CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM AGENTS: MEDICATION ASSISTED TREATMENT OF OPIOID ADDICTION

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
BUPRENORPHINE/NALOXONE SL tablets and films SUBOXONE® SL film (buprenorphine/naloxone) ZUBSOLV® SL tablets (buprenorphine/naloxone)	BUPRENORPHINE SL tablets (generic of Subutex®)†

†Use restricted to pregnancy or breastfeeding; or contraindication to preferred products.

## CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM AGENTS: MEDICATION ASSISTED TREATMENT OF OPIOID ADDICTION LONG-ACTING INJECTABLES +

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
VIVITROL® (naltrexone)	

+ Vivitrol may be billed by the pharmacy if it is not dispensed directly to the patient. If not administered by the pharmacist, the drug must be released only to the administering provider or administering provider's staff, following all regulations for a Prescription Pick-Up Station as described by the Ohio Board of Pharmacy.

### Criteria for SUBCUTANEOUS BUPRENORPHINE INJECTION (SUBLOCADE™)

- Indicated for opioid dependence:
  - Patient ≥18 years
  - Currently established on a dose of at least 8mg of oral buprenorphine for at least 7 days
  - Medical justification supports inability to continue to use oral formulation
  - Urine drug screen result obtained within the last 7 days with no illicit substances or non-prescribed therapies detected (initially). Subsequent authorization dependent upon UDS results indicating compliance to treatment plan.
  - Patient is actively participating in counseling. Prescriber should retain documentation of meeting attendance and submit with PA request.
  - The physician has reviewed OARRS within 7 days prior to the PA request. If the patient has received controlled substances since the previous authorization:
    - The physician has coordinated with all other prescribers of controlled substances and has determined that the patient should continue treatment;
    - AND**
    - If the patient has received other controlled substances for 12 or more continuous weeks, the physician has consulted with a board-certified addictionologist or addiction psychiatrist who has recommended the patient receive substance abuse treatment (consultation not necessary if the prescriber is a board-certified addictionologist or addiction psychiatrist).
  - Dose does not exceed 300mg per month in the first two months and 100mg thereafter. Providers may request a maintenance dose increase beyond 100mg by submitting additional clinical documentation supporting the need for a higher dose

- Re-authorization requires adherence to specified treatment plan inclusive of adherence to counseling, OARRS and urine drug screening requirements

#### **SUBCUTANEOUS BUPRENORPHINE INJECTION \* +**

<b>CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
SUBLOCADE™ (buprenorphine)	

\* Note: Clinical criteria must be met

+ Sublocade™ may be billed by the pharmacy if it is not dispensed directly to the patient. If not administered at the pharmacy, the drug must be released only to the administering provider or administering provider's staff, following all applicable regulations.

## Central Nervous System (CNS) Agents: Movement Disorders

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

**ADDITIONAL CRITERIA FOR THE TREATMENT OF TARDIVE DYSKINESIA:**

Prescribed by a Neurologist or Psychiatrist

Ingrezza is ONLY indicated for the treatment of Tardive Dyskinesia

**ADDITIONAL CRITERIA FOR AUSTEDO FOR THE TREATMENT OF HUNTINGTON'S DISEASE:**

The member must have a failure to respond to maximally tolerated dose of tetrabenazine

**MOVEMENT DISORDERS**

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
AUSTEDO® (deutetrabenazine)† INGREZZA® (valbenazine) TETRABENAZINE (generic of Xenazine®)	

† Quantity limit of 4 tablets per day

# Central Nervous System (CNS) Agents: Multiple Sclerosis

## DISEASE MODIFYING AGENTS

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

### **GRANDFATHERING:**

Patients who have a claim for a non-preferred drug in the previous 120 days will be automatically approved to continue the drug through the automated PA system. Patients who have taken the drug in the previous 120 days, but do not have claims history (e.g. new to Medicaid), will be approved for PA after prescriber contact.

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
2. The requested medication may be approved if there has been a therapeutic failure to no less than a 30-day trial on at least one medication not requiring prior approval.

### **CNS AGENTS: MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS DISEASE MODIFYING AGENTS, INJECTABLE**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
AVONEX® (interferon beta-1a) BETASERON® (interferon beta-1b) COPAXONE® (glatiramer) REBIF® (interferon beta-1a)	EXTAVIA® (interferon beta-1b) GLATOPA™ (glatiramer) PLEGRIDY® (peginterferon beta-1a)

### **CNS AGENTS: MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS DISEASE MODIFYING AGENTS, ORAL**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
AUBAGIO® (teriflunomide) GILENYA® (fingolimod)	MAVENCLAD® (cladribine) MAYZENT® (siponimod)† TECFIDERA® (dimethyl fumarate) VUMERITY™ (diroximel fumarate) ZEPOSIA® (ozanimod)

†Must review liver function tests (LFTs) complete blood count (CBC), ophthalmic examination, varicella zoster virus antibodies, and electrocardiogram (ECG) prior to initiation. Must confirm patient is not CYP2C9\*3\*3 genotype. Dose limited to 2mg/day.

### **CNS AGENTS: MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS POTASSIUM CHANNEL BLOCKERS\***

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
DALFAMPRIDINE (generic of AMPYRA®)	

## Central Nervous System (CNS) Agents: Neuropathic Pain

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:

- ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- ☐ The requested medication may be approved if there has been a therapeutic failure to no less than a 30-day trial of at least two medications in separate pharmacologic classes not requiring prior authorization

### **CNS AGENTS: NEUROPATHIC PAIN**

<b>NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
AMITRIPTYLINE (generic of Elavil®) CARBAMAZEPINE (generic of Tegretol®) DESIPRAMINE (generic of Norpramin®) DOXEPIN (generic of Sinequan®) DULOXETINE (generic of Cymbalta®) GABAPENTIN (generic of Neurontin®) IMIPRAMINE (generic of Tofranil®) LIDOCAINE patch (generic of Lidoderm®) NORTRIPTYLINE (generic of Pamelor®) OXCARBAZEPINE (generic of Trileptal®) PREGABALIN (generic for Lyrica®)	GRALISE® (gabapentin) HORIZANT® (gabapentin enacarbil) LYRICA® CR (pregabalin) ZTLIDO™ topical delivery system (lidocaine)

## Central Nervous System (CNS) Agents: Parkinson's Agents

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:

- ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

The requested medication may be approved if both of the following are true:

1. If there has been a therapeutic failure to no less than a 30-day trial of at least one medication not requiring prior approval
2. The requested medication's corresponding generic (if covered by the state) has been attempted and failed or is contraindicated.
3. Neupro® may be approved if the patient is unable to swallow.
4. Requests for Apokyn®, Inbrija™, Kynmobi™ and Nourianz® must have documentation of a trial of at least one other medication for the treatment of "off episodes" (dopamine agonist, COMT inhibitor, or MAO-B inhibitor).

### **PARKINSON'S AGENTS – COMT INHIBITOR**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
ENTACAPONE (generic of Comtan®)	TASMAR® (tolcapone) TOLCAPONE (generic of Tasmar®)

### **PARKINSON'S AGENTS – DOPAMINERGIC AGENTS, ORAL**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
AMANTADINE	GOCOVRI™ (amantadine ER) OSMOLEX ER™ (amantadine ER)

### **PARKINSON'S AGENTS – DOPAMINE RECEPTOR AGONISTS FOR THE TREATMENT OF OFF EPISODES**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
	APOKYN® (apomorphine) INBRIJA™ (levodopa) KYNMOBI™ (apomorphine) NOURIANZ® (istradefylline)

### **PARKINSON'S AGENTS – DOPAMINE RECEPTOR AGONISTS, NON-ERGOT, ORAL**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
PRAMIPEXOLE (generic of Mirapex®) ROPINIROLE (generic of Requip®)	PRAMIPEXOLE ER (generic of Mirapex ER®) ROPINIROLE ER (generic of Requip XL®)

**PARKINSON'S AGENTS – DOPAMINERGIC AGENTS**

<b>NO PA REQUIRED “PREFERRED”</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED “NON-PREFERRED”</b>
CARBIDOPA <sup>†</sup> CARBIDOPA/LEVODOPA (generic of Sinemet <sup>®</sup> ) CARBIDOPA/LEVODOPA CR (generic of Sinemet <sup>®</sup> CR) SELEGILINE (generic of Eldepryl <sup>®</sup> )	AZILECT <sup>®</sup> (rasagiline) CARBIDOPA/LEVODOPA dispersible tablets (generic of Parcopa <sup>®</sup> ) CARBIDOPA/LEVODOPA/ENTACAPONE (generic of Stalevo <sup>®</sup> ) NEUPRO <sup>®</sup> patch (rotigotine) RYTARY <sup>®</sup> (carbidopa/levodopa ER) XADAGO <sup>®</sup> (safinamide) ZELAPAR <sup>®</sup> ODT (selegiline)

<sup>†</sup>Use not recommended as monotherapy; edit may ensure used concomitantly

## Central Nervous System (CNS) Agents: Restless Legs Syndrome

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:

- ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

The requested medication may be approved if there has been a therapeutic failure to no less than a 30-day trial of at least one medication not requiring prior approval

### **CNS AGENTS: RESTLESS LEGS SYNDROME AGENTS**

<b>NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
PRAMIPEXOLE (generic of Mirapex®)	HORIZANT® (gabapentin enacarbil)
ROPINIROLE (generic of Requip®)	NEUPRO® patch (rotigotine)



## Central Nervous System (CNS) Agents: Sedative-Hypnotics, Non-Barbiturate

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 180 Days

1. The requested medication may be approved if there has been a therapeutic failure to no less than a 10-day trial of at least two medications not requiring prior approval
2. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
3. If the prescriber indicates the patient has a history of addiction, then may approve a requested non-controlled medication.
4. The P&T Committee does not recommend use of flurazepam (Dalmane®) or triazolam (Halcion®)

### CNS AGENTS: SEDATIVE-HYPNOTICS, NON-BARBITURATE

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
ESTAZOLAM (generic of Prosom®)	BELSOMRA® (suvorexant)
TEMAZEPAM 15mg, 30mg (generic of Restoril®)	<b>DAYVIGO™ (lemborexant)</b>
ZALEPLON (generic of Sonata®)	DOXEPIN (generic of Silenor®)
ZOLPIDEM (generic of Ambien®)	ESZOPICLONE (generic of Lunesta®)
	INTERMEZZO® SL (zolpidem)
	ROZEREM® (ramelteon)
	TEMAZEPAM 7.5mg, 22.5mg (generic of Restoril®)
	ZOLPIDEM ER (generic of Ambien® CR)
	ZOLPIDEM SL (generic of Edluar®)

## Central Nervous System (CNS) Agents: Skeletal Muscle Relaxants, Non-Benzodiazepine

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
2. If there has been a therapeutic failure to a 30-day trial an agent not requiring prior approval, then may approve the requested medication.

### CNS AGENTS: SKELETAL MUSCLE RELAXANTS - ORAL

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
BACLOFEN (generic of Lioresal®)	CARISOPRODOL (generic of Soma®) *
CHLORZOXAZONE (generic of Parafon Forte®)	CARISOPRODOL COMPOUND (generic of Soma Compound®) *
CYCLOBENZAPRINE 5mg and 10mg	CARISOPRODOL COMPOUND W/CODEINE (generic of Soma Compound w/Codeine®) *
DANTROLENE (generic of Dantrium®)	CYCLOBENZAPRINE 7.5mg (generic of Fexmid)
METHOCARBAMOL (generic of Robaxin®)	CYCLOBENZAPRINE ER (generic of Amrix®)
TIZANIDINE tablets (generic of Zanaflex®)	LORZONE® (chlorzoxazone) METAXALONE (generic of Skelaxin®)
	ORPHENADRINE (generic of Norflex®)
	ORPHENADRINE COMPOUND (generic of Norgesic®)
	ORPHENADRINE COMPOUND FORTE (generic of Norgesic Forte®)
	TIZANIDINE capsules (generic of Zanaflex®)

\* Note: Clinical criteria must be met for Soma®/Carisoprodol products– approvable only if no other muscle relaxant or agent to treat fibromyalgia, or any musculoskeletal condition, would serve the clinical needs of the patient.

## Central Nervous System (CNS) Agents: Smoking Deterrents

### CNS AGENTS: SMOKING DETERRENTS – NICOTINE REPLACEMENT

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
NICOTINE gum (generic of Nicorette®) NICOTINE lozenge (generic of Commit™) NICOTINE patch (generics) NICOTROL® inhaler (nicotine) NICOTROL® nasal spray(nicotine)	

### CNS AGENTS: SMOKING DETERRENTS – NON-NICOTINE PRODUCTS

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
BUPROPION (generic of Zyban®) CHANTIX®(varenicline)	

## Dermatological: Topical Acne Products

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

**CLINICAL CRITERIA:**

All topical retinoids require prior authorization for patients age 24 and older:

- ☐ Patient diagnosis psoriasis – may approve tazarotene (Tazorac®)
- ☐ Patient diagnosis acne vulgaris – may approve retinoid if the patient has a history of at least 30 days of therapy with alternative therapy (benzoyl peroxide, sodium sulfacetamide or antibiotic) in the previous 90 days
- ☐ Patient diagnosis skin cancer – may approve retinoid

**PDL CRITERIA:**

Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:

- ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

The requested medication may be approved if the following is true:

- ☐ If there has been a therapeutic failure to no less than a 30-day trial of at least one medication in the same class not requiring prior approval

**ANTIBIOTIC PRODUCTS**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
CLINDAMYCIN gel (generic of Cleocin T®, Clindamax®)	AMZEEQ® foam (minocycline)
CLINDAMYCIN lotion (generic of Cleocin T®, Clindamax®)	CLINDACIN® Pak (clindamycin/skin cleanser kit)
CLINDAMYCIN solution (generic of Cleocin T®)	CLINDAMYCIN foam (generic of Evoclin®)
ERYTHROMYCIN gel	CLINDAMYCIN pledgets (generic of Cleocin T®)
ERYTHROMYCIN solution (generic of A/T/S®, Akne-Mycin®)	ERYTHROMYCIN pads (generic of Ery Pads®)

**ACNE PREPARATIONS – OTHER PRODUCTS**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
AZELEX® cream (azelaic acid)	ACZONE® gel (dapsone)
	FINACEA® gel (azelaic acid)

**BENZOYL PEROXIDE AND COMBINATION PRODUCTS**

<b>NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
BENZOYL PEROXIDE cleanser 5%, 6% & 10% BENZOYL PEROXIDE gel 2.5%, 5%, 10% BPO (benzoyl peroxide) Gel 4% & 8% BENZOYL PEROXIDE wash (generic of Benzac AC®, Benzac W®, Brevoxyl®, Desquam-X®, Pacnex®) CLINDAMYCIN-BENZOYL PEROXIDE gel (generic of Benzacilin®, Duac®) ERYTHROMYCIN-BENZOYL PEROXIDE gel (generic of Benzamycin®) NEUAC® gel (clindamycin-benzoyl peroxide) PANOXYL® 10% foam, wash (benzoyl peroxide)	ACANYA® (clindamycin-benzoyl peroxide) BENZOYL PEROXIDE foam (generic of Benzefoam®) ONEXTONTM gel (clindamycin-benzoyl peroxide)

**RETINOID AND COMBINATION PRODUCTS\***

<b>NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
DIFFERIN® cream, gel, lotion (adapalene) TAZORAC® cream, gel (tazarotene) TRETINOIN cream, gel (generic of Retin-A®) TRETINOIN micro gel (generic of Retin-A® micro)	ADAPALENE cream, gel (generic of Differin®) ADAPALENE/BENZOYL PEROXIDE gel (generic of EPIDUO®) AKLIEF® cream (trifarotene) ALTRENO™ lotion (tretinoin) ARAZLO™ lotion (tazarotene) ATRALIN® gel (tretinoin) CLINDAMYCIN/TRETINOIN (generic of Veltin®) FABIOR® foam (tazarotene) PLIXDA™ pad (adapalene) ZIANA® gel (clindamycin/tretinoin)

\*PA required for age 24 and older

**SODIUM SULFACETAMIDE AND COMBINATION PRODUCTS**

<b>NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
SODIUM SULFACETAMIDE lotion (generic of Klaron®) SODIUM SULFACETAMIDE-SULFUR cream, wash (generic of Avar® cleanser, Clenia® foaming wash, Plexion® cleanser, Rosac® wash) SULFACETAMIDE SODIUM-SULFUR topical suspension	OVACE PLUS® (sodium sulfacetamide) SODIUM SULFACETAMIDE pads (generic of AVAR, AVAR LS) SODIUM SULFACETAMIDE-SULFUR gel

## Endocrine Agents: Androgens

### **LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

All products within this category require submission of lab work to support the need for testosterone supplementation

The requested medication may be approved if there has been a therapeutic failure to no less than a 90-day trial of all medications not requiring prior approval.

Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:

- ☐ Allergy to all medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with all medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to all medications not requiring prior approval

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Use limited to FDA approved indications in those 18 years and older.

#### **ORAL AGENTS: ANDROGENS**

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
	ANDROXY® (fluoxymesterone) JATENZO® (testosterone undecanoate) METHYLTESTOSTERONE (generic of Android®, Methitest®, Testred®) STRIANT (testosterone)

#### **INJECTABLE AGENTS: ANDROGENS**

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
	DEPO-TESTOSTERONE (testosterone cypionate) TESTOSTERONE CYPIONATE (generic of Depo-Testosterone) TESTOSTERONE ENANTHATE (generic of Delatestryl) XYOSTED™ (testosterone enanthate)

#### **TOPICAL AGENTS: ANDROGENS**

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
ANDRODERM® patch (testosterone) TESTOSTERONE gel pump (generic of Androgel® pump)	TESTOSTERONE 1.62%® (generic of ANDROGEL) AXIRON® gel (testosterone) NATESTO® nasal gel (testosterone) TESTOSTERONE gel (generic of Fortesta®, Testim®) VOGELXO™ gel (testosterone)

## Endocrine Agents: Diabetes – Hypoglycemia Treatments

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 DAYS

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval within the same class and formulation? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval

### **PA REQUIRED NON-PREFERRED:**

A non-preferred medication will be approved after a trial with a preferred medication or the inability of the member and/or caregiver to administer a preferred glucagon product in a timely fashion.

### **ENDOCRINE AGENTS: DIABETES – HYPOGLYCEMIA TREATMENTS**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
BAQSIMI nasal spray (glucagon) GLUCAGEN vial (glucagon, human recombinant) GLUCAGON EMERGENCY KIT (glucagon, human recombinant)	GVOKE HYPOPEN 1-PACK (glucagon) GVOKE PFS (glucagon)

Quantity limit of 2 per month

## Endocrine Agents: Diabetes – Insulin

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Condition is difficult to control (i.e. prone to ketoacidosis, hypoglycemia)
2. For a medication requiring step therapy, there must have been an inadequate clinical response to at least one preferred medication within the same class not requiring prior authorization. A therapeutic failure is the inability to reach A1C goal after at least 120 days of current regimen with documented adherence and appropriate dose escalation.
3. The requested non-preferred medication may be approved if there has been a therapeutic failure to at least two medications within the same class not requiring prior authorization. A therapeutic failure is the inability to reach A1C goal after at least 120 days of current regimen with documented adherence and appropriate dose escalation.

### **ADDITIONAL CLINICAL CRITERIA FOR INHALED INSULIN:**

- ☐ Patient has a claim for a long-acting insulin in the previous 120 days, or patient has type 2 diabetes; and
- ☐ Patient has not been diagnosed with asthma or COPD; and
- ☐ Spirometry shows FEV1 > / = 70% predicted; and
- ☐ Patient has not smoked for at least 180 days

### **ENDOCRINE AGENTS: DIABETES - INSULINS - Rapid and Short Acting**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
HUMULIN R® (insulin regular human) HUMULIN R 500-U® vial and pen (insulin regular human) INSULIN ASPART vial and pen (authorized generic of Novolog®) INSULIN LISPRO vial and pen (authorized generic of Humalog®) NOVOLIN R® (insulin regular human)	ADMELOG® (insulin lispro)† AFREZZA® inhalation powder (insulin human) APIDRA® vial and pen (insulin glulisine) FIASP® (insulin aspart) LYUMJEV™ (insulin lispro-aabc, recombinant)

†Due to the nature of the drug, allergy or therapeutic failure to Humalog is insufficient to justify use

### **ENDOCRINE AGENTS: DIABETES - INSULINS - Intermediate Acting**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
HUMALOG MIX 50/50, 75/25® vial and pen (insulin lispro protamine/insulin lispro) HUMULIN 70/30® vial and pen (insulin NPH/regular) INSULIN ASPART PROTAMINE/INSULIN ASPART vial and pen (authorized generic of Novolog Mix 70/30®) NOVOLIN 70/30® (insulin NPH/regular)	HUMULIN N® vial and pen (insulin NPH) † NOVOLIN N® (insulin NPH) †

†Patients who have a claim for insulin NPH in the previous 120 days will be automatically approved to continue the drug



**ENDOCRINE AGENTS: DIABETES - INSULINS - Long Acting**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
LANTUS® vial and pen (insulin glargine) LEVEMIR® vial and pen (insulin detemir)	TRESIBA (insulin degludec)	BASAGLAR® (insulin glargine)† TOUJEO® (insulin glargine)

†Due to the nature of the drug, allergy or therapeutic failure to Lantus is insufficient to justify use

## Endocrine Agents: Diabetes – Non-Insulin

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

**STEP THERAPY:**

1. For a drug requiring step therapy, there must have been inadequate clinical response to metformin products (either single-ingredient or in a sulfonylurea/ metformin or TZD/metformin combination), including a trial of no less than **60 days** of at least one preferred metformin product
2. For a non-preferred drug, there must have been inadequate clinical response to preferred alternatives, including metformin and a trial of no less than **60 days** of at least one preferred or step therapy product

Note: Inadequate clinical response after at least **60** days of recommended therapeutic dose with documented adherence to the regimen.

**OTHER APPROVAL CRITERIA:**

Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication within the same class not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:

- ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval

**DIABETES – ORAL HYPOGLYCEMICS, BIGUANIDES**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
METFORMIN (generic of Glucophage®) METFORMIN ER (generic of Glucophage XR®)		GLUCOPHAGE®, GLUCOPHAGE® XR (metformin) METFORMIN ER (generic of Fortamet®, Glumetza®) METFORMIN SOLUTION (generic of Riomet®)

**DIABETES – ORAL HYPOGLYCEMICS, BIGUANIDE/SULFONYLUREA COMBO**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
GLIPIZIDE/METFORMIN (generic of Metaglip®) GLYBURIDE/METFORMIN (generic of Glucovance®)		

**DIABETES – ORAL HYPOGLYCEMICS, TZD / BIGUANIDE COMBO**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
PIOGLITAZONE/ METFORMIN (generic of ActoPlus Met®)	ACTOPLUS MET XR® (pioglitazone/metformin)	

**DIABETES – DIPEPTIDYL PEPTIDASE-4 INHIBITOR**

NO PA REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	PA REQUIRED “NON-PREFERRED”
	JANUVIA® (sitagliptin) TRADJENTA™ (linagliptin)	ALOGLIPTIN (generic of Nesina®) ONGLYZA® (saxagliptin)

**DIABETES – DIPEPTIDYL PEPTIDASE-4 INHIBITOR COMBINATIONS**

NO PA REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	PA REQUIRED “NON-PREFERRED”
	JANUMET™ (sitagliptin/ metformin) JANUMET XR™ (sitagliptin/ metformin) JENTADUETO™ (linagliptin/metformin)	JENTADUETO® XR (linagliptin/ metformin) ALOGLIPTIN/METFORMIN (generic of Kazano®) KOMBIGLYZE XR® (saxagliptin/metformin)

**DIABETES – ORAL HYPOGLYCEMICS, TZD / DPP-4 COMBINATION**

NO PA REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	PA REQUIRED “NON-PREFERRED”
		PIOGLITAZONE/ALOGLIPTIN (generic of Oseni®)

**DIABETES – ORAL HYPOGLYCEMICS, SODIUM-GLUCOSE COTRANSPORTER 2 (SGLT2) INHIBITOR**

NO PA REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	PA REQUIRED “NON-PREFERRED”
	FARXIGA® (dapagliflozin)* INVOKANA® (canagliflozin) JARDIANCE® (empagliflozin)	STEGLATRO™ (ertugliflozin)

\* Step Therapy Requirements are waived for members with a diagnosis of Heart Failure, Chronic Kidney Disease, Cardiovascular Disease or with multiple Cardiovascular Disease risk factors

**DIABETES – ORAL HYPOGLYCEMICS, SODIUM-GLUCOSE COTRANSPORTER 2 (SGLT2) INHIBITOR AND COMBINATIONS**

NO PA REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	PA REQUIRED “NON-PREFERRED”
	INVOKAMET® (canagliflozin/ metformin) SYNJARDY® (empagliflozin/metformin)	INVOKAMET® XR (canagliflozin/ metformin) SEGLUROMET™ (ertugliflozin/metformin) SYNJARDY® XR (empagliflozin/metformin) TRIJARDY® XR (empagliflozin/linagliptin/metformin) XIGDUO XR® (dapagliflozin/ metformin)

**DIABETES – ORAL HYPOGLYCEMICS, SODIUM-GLUCOSE COTRANSPORTER 2 (SGLT2) INHIBITOR AND DPP-4 COMBINATIONS**

NO PA REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	PA REQUIRED “NON-PREFERRED”
No less than <u>90 days</u> of at least <u>one</u> preferred DPP-4 and SGLT product	GLYXAMBI® (empagliflozin/ linagliptin) QTERN® (dapagliflozin-saxagliptin) STEGLUJAN™ (ertugliflozin/sitagliptin)

**DIABETES – ORAL HYPOGLYCEMICS, ALPHA-GLUCOSIDASE INHIBITORS**

NO PA REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	PA REQUIRED “NON-PREFERRED”
ACARBOSE (generic of Precose®)	MIGLITOL (generic of Glyset®)	

**DIABETES – ORAL HYPOGLYCEMICS, MEGLITINIDES**

NO PA REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	PA REQUIRED “NON-PREFERRED”
NATEGLINIDE (generic of Starlix®) REPAGLINIDE (generic of Prandin®)		

**DIABETES – ORAL HYPOGLYCEMICS, MEGLITINIDE/BIGUANIDE COMBO**

NO PA REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	PA REQUIRED “NON-PREFERRED”
REPAGLINIDE/ METFORMIN (generic of Prandimet®)		

**DIABETES – ORAL HYPOGLYCEMICS, SULFONYLUREAS SECOND GENERATION**

NO PA REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	PA REQUIRED “NON-PREFERRED”
GLIMEPIRIDE (generic of Amaryl®) GLIPIZIDE (generic of Glucotrol®) GLIPIZIDE ER (generic of Glucotrol XL®) GLYBURIDE (generic of Diabeta®, Micronase®) GLYBURIDE MICRONIZED (generic of Glynase PresTabs®)		

**DIABETES – ORAL HYPOGLYCEMICS, THIAZOLIDINEDIONES**

NO PA REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	PA REQUIRED “NON-PREFERRED”
PIOGLITAZONE (generic of Actos®)		AVANDIA® (rosiglitazone)

**DIABETES – ORAL HYPOGLYCEMICS, TZD/SULFONYLUREAS COMBO**

NO PA REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	PA REQUIRED “NON-PREFERRED”
		GLIMEPIRIDE/PIOGLITAZONE (generic of Duetact®)

**ENDOCRINE AGENTS: DIABETES – AMYLIN ANALOGS**

NO PA REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	PA REQUIRED “NON-PREFERRED”
No less than <u>90 days</u> of at least <u>one</u> preferred insulin product	SYMLIN® (pramlintide)	

**ENDOCRINE AGENTS: DIABETES –GLUCAGON-LIKE PEPTIDE-1 RECEPTOR AGONISTS**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
	TRULICITY® (dulaglutide) VICTOZA® (liraglutide)	ADLYXIN™ (lixisenatide) BYDUREON® (exenatide) BYDUREON® BCISE (exenatide) BYETTA™ (exenatide) OZEMPIC® (semaglutide) RYBELSUS® (semaglutide)

**ENDOCRINE AGENTS: DIABETES – GLUCAGON-LIKE PEPTIDE-1 RECEPTOR AGONISTS & INSULIN COMBINATIONS**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
		SOLIQUA™ 100/33 (insulin glargine/lixisenatide)† XULTOPHY® 100/3.6 (insulin degludec and liraglutide)†

† Request must address inability to use the individual components.

## Endocrine Agents: Endometriosis

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
  - History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval

### **STEP THERAPY:**

For a drug requiring step therapy, there must have been a therapeutic failure of at least a 30-day trial with both a NSAID and an oral contraceptive

### **NON-PREFERRED:**

There must have been a therapeutic failure of at least a 30-day trial with both a NSAID and an oral contraceptive and a trial and a therapeutic failure of no less than 3-months on at least one step therapy required "preferred"

### **Endometriosis Treatments**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
	DANAOL DEPO-SUBQ PROVERA® 104 (medroxyprogesterone acetate) LUPANETA PACK® (leuprolide acetate and norethindrone acetate) LUPRON DEPOT® 3.75 MG, 11.25 MG (leuprolide acetate) ORILISSA® (elagolix) ZOLADEX® (goserelin acetate)	SYNAREL® (nafarelin acetate)

## Endocrine Agents: Estrogenic Agents

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
2. The requested medication may be approved if there has been a therapeutic failure of at least two trials of 30 days each with medications not requiring prior approval

### ESTROGENS – ORAL ESTROGENS

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
ESTRADIOL (generic of Estrace®) MENEST® (esterified estrogens) PREMARIN® (conjugated estrogens)	FEMTRACE® (estradiol)

### ESTROGENS – ORAL ESTROGEN/PROGESTERONE COMB

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
ETHINYL ESTRADIOL/NORETHINDRONE ACETATE (generic of FemHRT®) PREMPHASE® (medroxyprogesterone/estrogens conj) PREMPRO® (medroxyprogesterone/estrogens conj)	ANGELIQ® (drospirenone/estradiol) ESTRADIOL/NORETHINDRONE ACETATE tablets (generic of Activella®) PREFEST® (estradiol/norgestimate)

### ESTROGENS & ESTROGEN AGONIST/ANTAGONIST COMB

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
	DUAVEE (conjugated estrogens/bazedoxifene)

### ENDOCRINE AGENTS: ESTROGENS – TRANSDERMAL ESTROGENS

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
ESTRADIOL patch (generic of Alora, Climara®, Vivelle-Dot®) ESTRADIOL vaginal cream (generic of Estrace®)	DIVIGEL® transdermal gel (estradiol) ELESTRIN® transdermal gel (estradiol) ESTRASORB® transdermal emulsion (estradiol) EVAMIST® transdermal solution (estradiol) MENOSTAR® patch (estradiol) MINIVELLE® patch (estradiol)

### ESTROGENS – TRANSDERMAL ESTROGEN/ PROGESTERONE COMB

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
CLIMARA PRO® (estradiol/levonorgestrel oral) COMBIPATCH® (estradiol/norethindrone)	

### ESTROGENS – VAGINAL ESTROGENS

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
ESTRING® vaginal ring (estradiol) PREMARIN® vaginal cream (estrogens conjugated)	ESTRACE® vaginal cream (estradiol) FEMRING® vaginal ring (estradiol) VAGIFEM® vaginal tablet (estradiol)

## Endocrine Agents: Progestin Agents

### PROGESTIN – ORAL PROGESTINS

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
MEDROXYPROGESTERONE ACETATE TABLET MEGESTROL ACETATE SUSP (generic of Megace®) NORETHINDRONE ACETATE PROGESTERONE	

### PROGESTIN – INJECTABLE PROGESTINS

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
HYDROXYPROGESTERONE CAPROATE (generic of Makena®) MAKENA® (hydroxyprogesterone caproate) PROGESTERONE IN OIL	



## Endocrine Agents: Growth Hormone

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** varies as listed below.

- ☐ All products in this class require clinical prior authorization
- ☐ Must be treated and followed by a pediatric endocrinologist, pediatric nephrologist, clinical geneticist, endocrinologist or gastroenterologist (as appropriate for diagnosis)
- ☐ All information and documentation requested on the prior authorization form to justify criteria being met, including height, weight, bone age (children), date of most current x-ray, stimulus test results, IGF-1 levels and a growth chart (children) must be supplied.

**PDL CRITERIA:**

Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:

- ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval

The requested medication may be approved if the following is true:

- ☐ If there has been a therapeutic failure to no less than a 90-day trial of at least one preferred medication

**CLINICAL CRITERIA**

Children - initial approval for the following diagnoses:

1. Growth Hormone Deficiency (GHD) – 180-day approval:
  - 1) Standard deviation of 2.0 or more below mean height for chronological age; AND
  - 2) No expanding intracranial lesion or tumor diagnosed; AND
  - 3) Growth rate is:
    1. Below five (5) centimeters per year; OR
    2. Below ten (10) centimeters per year in children under 3 years of age; OR
    3. Below ten (10) centimeters per year during puberty AND
  - 4) Failure of any two stimuli test to raise the serum growth hormone level above 10 nanograms/milliliter; AND
  - 5) Epiphyses must be open; AND
  - 6) Bone age 15-16 years or less in females and 16-17 years or less in males
  - 7) Females with bone age >16 and males with bone age >17 may be approved for maintenance therapy (approval for 365 days) upon request by an endocrinologist. (Maintenance dose is typically 50% of dose used to improve height)
2. Growth Retardation of Chronic Kidney Disease – 365-day approval:
  - 1) Standard deviation of 2.0 or more below mean height for chronological age; AND
  - 2) No expanding intracranial lesion or tumor diagnosed; AND
  - 3) Growth rate below five (5) centimeters per year; AND
  - 4) Irreversible renal insufficiency with a glomerular filtration rate less than 75 ml/min per 1.73m<sup>2</sup> but pre-renal transplant; AND
  - 5) Bone age 14-15 years or less in females and 15-16 years or less in males; AND
  - 6) Epiphyses open.
3. Genetic diagnosis – 365-day approval:

- 1) One of the following:
  1. Krause-Kivlin Syndrome; or
  2. Turner Syndrome; or
  3. Prader-Willi Syndrome; or
  4. Noonan Syndrome
- 2) Bone age between 14-15 years; **AND**
- 3) Epiphyses open; **AND**
- 4) Growth rate below five (5) centimeters per year
4. Neurosecretory Growth Retardation – 180-day approval
  - 1) Standard deviation of 2.0 or more below mean height for chronological age; AND
  - 2) No expanding intracranial lesion or tumor diagnosed; AND
  - 3) Growth rate below five (5) centimeters per year; AND
  - 4) Bone age 14-15 years or less in females and 15-16 years or less in males; AND
  - 5) Epiphyses open; AND
  - 6) Mixed or normal response to any two (2) stimuli test in raising serum growth hormone above 10 nanograms/milliliter.
5. Idiopathic Short Stature – 180-day approval
  - 1) A standard deviation of 2.25 or more below mean height for chronological age; AND
  - 2) No expanding intracranial lesion or tumor diagnosed; AND
  - 3) Growth rate is below five (5) centimeters per year; AND
  - 4) Bone age is 14-15 years or less in females and 15-16 years or less in males and epiphyses are open; AND
  - 5) A mixed or normal response to any two stimuli tests in raising serum growth hormone above 10 nanograms/milliliter; AND
  - 6) The child is proportionally shorter than the predicted rate of growth from the parent's height; AND
  - 7) Requests must come from a pediatric endocrinologist.
6. Small for Gestational Age (SGA) – 365-day approval
  - 1) Request must come from a pediatric endocrinologist; AND
  - 2) Documentation to support diagnosis defined as birth weight or length 2 or more standard deviations below the mean for gestational age.
  - 3) Child fails to manifest catch up growth before 2 years of age, defined as height 2 or more standard deviations below the mean for age and gender.
  - 4) Note: Review must include evaluation of growth curves from birth

Reauthorization: The patient health status has improved since last approval (weight gain, improved body composition) 1-year approval

Adults - initial approval for 180 days:

Adult patients with growth hormone deficiency may be approved for replacement of endogenous growth hormone upon documentation of medical necessity from an endocrinologist. Requests will be reviewed and approved based upon the following conditions:

- 1) Childhood Onset - Patients who were growth hormone deficient during childhood and who have a continued deficiency which is confirmed by provocative testing.
- 2) Adult Onset - Patients who have growth hormone deficiency, either alone or with multiple pituitary hormone deficiencies, such as hypopituitarism, as a result of pituitary disease, surgery, hypothalamic disease, radiation therapy, or trauma.

Criteria for Approval for both conditions listed above:

- 1) Biochemical diagnosis of growth hormone deficiency by means of a negative response to an appropriate stimulation test ordered by the endocrinologist (Clonidine test is not acceptable for adults.); AND
- 2) No evidence of malignancy or other contraindication; AND
- 3) Other hormonal deficiencies addressed with adequate replacement therapy; AND
- 4) Base-line evaluation of the following clinical indicators
  - a. Insulin-like growth factor-1 (IGF-1)-also required following dosage change
  - b. Fasting lipid profile
  - c. BUN
  - d. Fasting glucose
  - e. Electrolyte levels
  - f. Evaluation of any new osteoarthritis and joint pain
  - g. Bone density test

Maximum dose – less than or equal to 0.025mg/kg daily (up 35 years of age)

Maximum dose – less than or equal to 0.0125mg/kg daily (35 years of age or older)

Reauthorization: documentation by endocrinologist that for the indication, discontinuing GH would have a detrimental effect on body composition or other metabolic parameters 1-year approval

#### **GROWTH HORMONES**

<b>CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
GENOTROPIN® cartridge, miniquick (somatropin) NORDITROPIN® FlexPro (somatropin)	NUTROPIN AQ® Nuspin (somatropin) NUTROPIN® vial (somatropin) OMNITROPE® cartridge, vial (somatropin) SAIZEN® cartridge, vial (somatropin) SEROSTIM® vial (somatropin) ZOMACTON® vial (somatropin)

## Endocrine Agents: Osteoporosis – Bone Ossification Enhancers

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
2. The requested medication may be approved if there has been a therapeutic failure to no less than a 90-day trial of at least one preferred medication **within the same class of the requested medication**

### **CRITICAL INFORMATION**

Patients should only be on ONE of the therapeutic classes (bisphosphonates, calcitonin- salmon).

### **ADDITIONAL CRITERIA FOR ABALOPARATIDE (TYMLOS™)**

Abaloparatide is indicated in postmenopausal women with osteoporosis at high risk for fracture.

1. Patient is female and postmenopausal
2. Diagnosis of osteoporosis
3. Trial of bisphosphonates for greater than 365 days
4. Total lifetime therapy of parathyroid hormone analogs does not exceed 730 days (2 years)

### **ENDOCRINE AGENTS: OSTEOPOROSIS - BONE OSSIFICATION ENHANCERS - ORAL BISPHOSPHONATES**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
ALENDRONATE tablets (generic of Fosamax®) IBANDRONATE (generic of Boniva®)	ALENDRONATE ORAL SOLN 70mg/75ml (generic of Fosamax®) BINOSTO® (alendronate sodium effervescent tablet) ETIDRONATE (generic of Didronel®) FOSAMAX PLUS D™ (alendronate/cholecalciferol) FOSAMAX® ORAL SOLN 70mg/75ml (alendronate) RISEDRONATE (generic of Actonel®, Atelvia®)

### **ENDOCRINE AGENTS: OSTEOPOROSIS - BONE OSSIFICATION ENHANCERS - CALCITONIN- SALMON**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
CALCITONIN-SALMON (generic of Miacalcin®)	

### **ENDOCRINE AGENTS: OSTEOPOROSIS – PARATHYROID HORMONE RELATED PEPTIDE ANALOG**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
<b>FORTEO® (teriparatide)</b>	TYMLOS™ (abaloparatide)

## Endocrine Agents: Uterine Fibroids

### LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 180 Days

Members who have been treated with Oriahnn® for 24 months or more are not eligible for additional authorizations  
Members who have been treated with Lupron Depot for 6 months or more are not eligible for additional authorizations

The requested medication may be approved if the member has a diagnosis of uterine leiomyomas (fibroids) and has failed a 90 day or more trial with an oral contraceptive

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
LUPRON DEPOT® 3.75 MG, 11.25 MG (leuprolide acetate) ORIAHNN® (elagolix and estradiol and norethindrone)	

## Gastrointestinal Agents: Anti-Emetics

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
2. The requested medication may be approved if there has been a therapeutic failure to no less than a 7-day trial on at least one medication not requiring prior approval.

### GASTROINTESTINAL AGENTS: ANTI-EMETIC AGENTS

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
EMEND® tablets, trifold, suspension (aprepitant) ONDANSETRON tablets, solution, ODT (generic of Zofran®)	ANZEMET® (dolasetron) GRANISETRON tablet, solution (generic of Kytril®) SANCUSO® patch (granisetron) VARUBI™ (rolapitant) ZUPLENZ® film (ondansetron)

### GASTROINTESTINAL AGENTS: ANTI-EMETIC AGENTS: non-5-HT3 receptor antagonists

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
<b>BONJESTA® (doxylamine and pyridoxine)</b> DIMENHYDRINATE tablets DIPHENHYDRAMINE tablets, capsules, solution MECLIZINE tablets (generic of Antivert®) METOCLOPRAMIDE tablets (generic of Reglan®) PHOSPHORATED CARBOHYDRATE SOLUTION (generic of Emetrol®) PROCHLORPERAZINE tablets, suppositories (generic of Compazine®) PROMETHAZINE tablets, suppositories (generic of Phenergan®) SCOPOLAMINE patch (generic for Transderm-Scop®) TRIMETHOBENZAMIDE capsules (generic of Tigan®)	<b>DOXYLAMINE AND PYRIDOXINE (generic of Diclegis®)</b> METOCLOPRAMIDE ODT (generic of Metozolv® ODT)

## Gastrointestinal Agents: Irritable Bowel Syndrome (IBS) / Selected GI

### LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:

365 Days

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
2. The requested medication may be approved if there has been a therapeutic failure to no less than a two-week trial of at least two medications not requiring prior approval

### STEP THERAPY: all agents listed

1. For a drug requiring step therapy, there must have been inadequate clinical response to preferred alternatives, including a trial of no less than 14-day trial of at least two medications not requiring prior approval
2. For a non-preferred drug, there must have been inadequate clinical response to preferred alternatives, including a trial of no less than 14-day trial of at least two step therapy products

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

1. Patient must be 18 years or older
2. NUTRESTORE™, ZORBTIVE®, and GATTEX® require a diagnosis of short bowel syndrome (SBS) and evidence of specialized nutritional support
  - a. NUTRESTORE™ requires evidence of concurrent use of recombinant growth hormone
  - b. GATTEX® requires evidence of parenteral nutrition support at least three times per week and appropriate colonoscopy and lab assessment (bilirubin, alkaline phosphatase, lipase, and amylase) 180 days prior to initiation
  - c. Re-authorization of these therapies requires evidence of improved condition (i.e. as measured by total volume, total calories, or decreased frequency of specialized nutrition support)
3. MYTESI™ requires a diagnosis of non-infectious diarrhea and evidence of concurrent HIV antiviral therapy
  - a. MYTESI™ will be limited to no more than 2 tablets per day

## IBS WITH CONSTIPATION & CHRONIC IDIOPATHIC CONSTIPATION AGENTS

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
BISACODYL (generic of Dulcolax®) CASANTHRANOL/DOCUSATE SODIUM (generic of Peri-Colace®) LACTULOSE (generic of Chronulac®) POLYETHYLENE GLYCOL (generic of Miralax®) PSYLLIUM FIBER (e.g. Konsyl®) SENNA (generic of Senokot®)	AMITIZA® capsule (lubiprostone) LINZESS™ 145mcg & 290mcg capsule (linaclotide)	LINZESS™ 72mcg capsule (linaclotide) MOTEGRITY™ (prucalopride) TRULANCE™ (plecanatide) ZELNORM™ (tegaserod)†

†Use limited to FDA approved indications.

## IBS WITH DIARRHEA AGENTS

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
DICYCLOMINE (generic of Bentyl®) DIPHENOXYLATE/ATROPINE (generic of Lomotil®) LOPERAMIDE (Maximum of 16mg per day)	ALOSETRON (generic of Lotronex®) VIBERZI™ (eluxadoline tablet) XIFAXAN® (rifaximin)

## SHORT BOWEL SYNDROME AGENTS\*

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
	GATTEX® (teduglutide) NUTRESTORE™ (l-glutamine) ZORBTIVE® (somatropin)

\*Note: Clinical criteria must be met

## NON-INFECTIOUS DIARRHEA AGENTS

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
DIPHENOXYLATE/ATROPINE (generic of Lomotil®) LOPERAMIDE (Maximum of 16mg per day)	MYTESI™ (crofelemer)



## Gastrointestinal Agents: Opioid-Induced Constipation

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
2. **Step Therapy: ALL AGENTS LISTED**
  1. For a drug requiring step therapy, there must have been inadequate clinical response to preferred alternatives, including a trial of no less than 14-day trial of at least two medications not requiring prior approval
  2. For a non-preferred drug, there must have been inadequate clinical response to preferred alternatives, including a trial of no less than 14-day trial of at least two step therapy products

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

1. Patient must be 18 years or older
2. Approval requires a history of chronic pain requiring continuous opioid therapy for 12 weeks or longer. Electronic PA will approve with a history of 90 days of opioid therapy in the previous 90 days, in addition to trials of preferred products.

**GASTROINTESTINAL AGENTS: OPIOID-INDUCED CONSTIPATION AGENTS**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
BISACODYL (generic of Dulcolax®) CASANTHRANOL/DOCUSATE SODIUM (generic of Peri-Colace®) LACTULOSE (generic of Chronulac®) POLYETHYLENE GLYCOL (generic of Miralax®) PSYLLIUM FIBER (e.g. Konsyl®) SENNA (generic of Senokot®)	AMITIZA® capsule (lubiprostone) MOVANTIK® tablets (naloxegol)	RELISTOR® tablets and subcutaneous injection (methylnaltrexone bromide) SYMPROIC® (naldemedine)

## Gastrointestinal Agents: Pancreatic Enzymes

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:

- ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

The requested medication may be approved if the following is true:

- ☐ If there has been a therapeutic failure to no less than a 14-day trial of at least one medication not requiring prior approval

### **GASTROINTESTINAL AGENTS: PANCREATIC ENZYMES**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
CREON <sup>®</sup> (pancrelipase) ZENPEP <sup>®</sup> (pancrelipase)	PANCREAZE <sup>®</sup> (pancrelipase) PERTZYE <sup>®</sup> (pancrelipase) ULTRESA <sup>®</sup> (pancrelipase) VIOKACE <sup>®</sup> (pancrelipase)

## Gastrointestinal Agents: Proton Pump Inhibitors

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 180 days, except as listed under clinical criteria

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Presence of a gastrostomy and/or jejunostomy tube (G-, GJ-, J-tube)
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
2. If there has been a therapeutic failure to no less than a 30 days trial of at least two medications not requiring prior approval, then may approve the requested medication.
3. If a medication requiring prior approval was initiated in the hospital for the treatment of a condition such as a GI bleed, may approve the requested medication.

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- ☐ No PA needed for preferred PPI at once-daily dosing
- ☐ No PA needed for preferred PPI at any dose for age under 21
- ☐ Must have therapeutic failure on preferred agent before PA of non-preferred

### **CLINICAL CRITERIA FOR PPI DOSES GREATER THAN ONCE DAILY**

1. For diagnosis of H. Pylori, BID dosing may be authorized for 30 days
2. For diagnosis of COPD, Dyspepsia, Gastritis, Gastroparesis, Symptomatic Uncomplicated Barrett's Esophagus, Carcinoma of GI tract, Crest Syndrome, Esophageal Varices, Scleroderma, Systemic Mastocytosis, Zollinger Ellison Syndrome:
  - ☐ Length of authorization: 365 days
  - ☐ Criteria for approval: Must have failed QD dosing

### **GASTROINTESTINAL AGENTS: PPIs**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
LANSOPRAZOLE capsules (generic of Prevacid®) NEXIUM® packets (esomeprazole) OMEPRAZOLE capsules (generic of Prilosec®) PANTOPRAZOLE (generic of Protonix®) PROTONIX® suspension (No PA required for age 6 or under)	ACIPHEX® sprinkle capsule (rabeprazole) DEXILANT® (dexlansoprazole) ESOMEPRAZOLE capsules (generic of Nexium®) LANSOPRAZOLE ODT (generic of Prevacid Solutab®) OMEPRAZOLE tablets (generic of Prilosec OTC®) OMEPRAZOLE/SODIUM BICARBONATE PRILOSEC® suspension (omeprazole) PROTONIX® suspension (PA required for age over 6) RABEPRAZOLE (generic of Aciphex®)

## Gastrointestinal Agents: Ulcerative Colitis Agents

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

For a non-preferred agent, there must have been inadequate clinical response to preferred alternatives, including a trial of no less than 30 days each of at least two preferred products.

**OTHER APPROVAL CRITERIA:**

Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:

- ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

1. Ulcerative Colitis Agents are available in both oral (IR, ER) and rectal (enema, suppository) formulations. Patients with mild or moderate disease may be treated with either rectal or oral agents.
2. The efficacy among the different 5-ASA derivatives appears to be comparable.

**GASTROINTESTINAL AGENTS: ULCERATIVE COLITIS AGENTS - ORAL**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
MESALAMINE ER (generic of APRISO®) LIALDA® (mesalamine) BALSALAZIDE DISODIUM (generic of Colazal®) MESALAMINE DR (generic for Delzicol®) PENTASA® (mesalamine) SULFASALAZINE (generic of Azulfidine®)	DIPENTUM® (olsalazine) GIAZO® (balsalazide disodium) MESALAMINE DR (generic for Asacol HD®) UCERIS® tablets (budesonide)

**GASTROINTESTINAL AGENTS: ULCERATIVE COLITIS AGENTS - RECTAL**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
MESALAMINE enema (generic of Rowasa®)	MESALAMINE (generic for Canasa® suppositories) MESALAMINE enema kit (generic for Rowasa® kit) UCERIS® foam (budesonide)

## Genitourinary Agents: Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

- Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindications to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
- Patient must have a therapeutic failure to no less than a 30-day trial on at least two medications that are preferred.

### **ADDITIONAL CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL OF TADALAFIL (CIALIS®):**

Patient must have diagnosis of benign prostatic hyperplasia and have a therapeutic failure to no less than a 30-day trial on at least one alpha-1 adrenergic blocker and a 90-day trial of finasteride.

### **BENIGN PROSTATIC HYPERPLASIA AGENTS – ALPHA-1 ADRENERGIC BLOCKERS**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
ALFUZOSIN (generic of Uroxatral®) DOXAZOSIN (generic of Cardura®) PRAZOSIN (generic of Minipress®) TAMSULOSIN (generic of Flomax®) TERAZOSIN (generic of Hytrin®)	CARDURA® XL (doxazosin) SILODOSIN (generic of Rapaflo®)

### **BENIGN PROSTATIC HYPERPLASIA AGENTS – 5-ALPHA REDUCTASE INHIBITORS**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
DUTASTERIDE (generic of Avodart®) FINASTERIDE (generic of Proscar®)	

### **BENIGN PROSTATIC HYPERPLASIA AGENTS – COMBINATION 5-ALPHA REDUCTASE INHIBITOR/ALPHA-1 ADRENERGIC BLOCKER**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
	DUTASTERIDE/TAMSULOSIN (generic of Jalyn®)

### **BENIGN PROSTATIC HYPERPLASIA AGENTS – PHOSPHODIESTERASE TYPE 5 INHIBITORS**

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
TADALAFIL (generic for Cialis®) 2.5mg, 5mg only	

## Genitourinary Agents: Electrolyte Depleter Agents

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

### **Non-Preferred Agent:**

For a non-preferred agent, there must have been an inadequate clinical response during a trial of no less than 7 days of at least two preferred medications

### **OTHER APPROVAL CRITERIA:**

Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval?

Acceptable reasons include:

- ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval

### **CLINICAL INFORMATION**

Calcium acetate products may lead to hypercalcemia. This agent is recommended in patients with normal serum calcium levels.

### **ELECTROLYTE DEPLETERS FOR HYPERPHOSPHATEMIA**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
CALCIUM ACETATE (generic of PhosLo <sup>®</sup> gelcap) CALCIUM CARBONATE PHOSLYRA <sup>®</sup> solution (calcium acetate) <b>SEVELAMER (generic for Renagel<sup>®</sup>, Renvela<sup>®</sup>)</b>	AURYXIA <sup>®</sup> (ferric citrate) LANTHANUM CARBONATE (generic of Fosrenol <sup>®</sup> ) VELPHORO <sup>®</sup> (sucroferric oxyhydroxide)

## Genitourinary Agents: Urinary Antispasmodics

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

1. Patients under age 18 may be approved for tolterodine SR or Gelnique® if there was inadequate clinical response to a trial of no less than 30 days of oxybutynin (IR or ER).
2. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindications to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
3. The requested non-preferred medication may be approved if there has been a therapeutic failure to a trial of no less than 30 days of **at least two preferred medications with different active ingredients not requiring a prior authorization**

### GENITOURINARY AGENTS: URINARY ANTISPASMODICS

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
OXYBUTYNIN ER (generic of Ditropan® XL) OXYBUTYNIN syrup (generic of Ditropan®) OXYBUTYNIN tablets (generic of Ditropan®) OXYTROL® FOR WOMEN OTC patch (oxybutynin)	SOLIFENACIN (generic of Vesicare®)	DARIFENACIN (generic of Enablex®) GELNIQUE® (oxybutynin) MYRBETRIQ® (mirabegron) TOLTERODINE (generic of Detrol®) TOLTERODINE SR (generic of Detrol® LA) TOVIAZ® (fesoterodine) TROSPIUM (generic of Sanctura®) TROSPIUM ER (generic of Sanctura® XR)

## Immunomodulator Agents for Systemic Inflammatory Disease

### **LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:**

Dependent on diagnosis

### **All products in this class require Clinical Prior Authorization:**

- ☐ No current infection; and
- ☐ Prior first-generation therapy appropriate for diagnosis; and
- ☐ Diagnosis of one of the following: 365 days approval
  - Rheumatoid Arthritis
  - Plaque Psoriasis
  - Psoriatic Arthritis
  - Polyarticular Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis
  - Crohn's Disease
  - Ankylosing Spondylitis
  - Psoriasis
  - Uveitis
  - Cryopyrin-Associated Periodic Syndrome
  - Giant Cell Arteritis
  - Hidradenitis Suppurativa
- ☐ Diagnosis of Moderate to Severe Ulcerative Colitis (UC) (Humira, Simponi, and Xeljanz only): initial approval 56 days, reapprovals 365 days  
Humira may be approved if there is an inadequate clinical response to at least 90 days of therapy with both 5-ASA and immunosuppressants.  
Initial approval for Humira will be for 56 days. If clinical response is not seen in 56 days, further therapy with TNF inhibitors will not be approved. If there is an initial clinical response to Humira after 56 days of therapy, but no improvement in the progression of ulcerative colitis symptoms after 180 days, Simponi or Xeljanz may be approved.
  - Quantity limits for UC diagnosis:  
Humira – 7 pens/syringes during month one, then 2 pens/syringes per month  
Simponi – 3 pens/syringes during month one, then 1 pen/syringe per month  
Xeljanz – 60 pills per month

### **PDL CRITERIA:**

Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:

- ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval



### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

The requested medication may be approved if the following is true:

- If there has been a therapeutic failure to no less than a 90-day trial of at least **two** preferred medications
- For patients with a diagnosis of moderate to severe plaque psoriasis receiving phototherapy, initial authorization for Humira® or Enbrel® will only be approved if there is inadequate clinical response to at least 90 days of phototherapy.

### **ANTI-INFLAMMATORY TUMOR NECROSIS FACTOR INHIBITOR**

<b>CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
ENBREL® kit, SureClik, syringe (etanercept) HUMIRA® pen, starter packs, syringe (adalimumab)	CIMZIA® syringe (certolizumab pegol) ORENCIA® syringe (abatacept) SIMPONI™ pen, syringe (golimumab)

### **ANTI-INFLAMMATORY INTERLEUKIN RECEPTOR ANTAGONIST**

<b>CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
<b>TALTZ™ (ixekizumab injection)</b>	ACTEMRA® syringe (tocilizumab) <b>COSENTYX™ (secukinumab)</b> ILUMYA™ (tildrakizumab-asmn) KEVZARA® (sarilumab) KINERET® syringe (anakinra) SILIQ™ (brodalumab) SKYRIZI™ (risankizumab-rzza) TREMIFYA™ (guselkumab)

### **JANUS KINASE INHIBITOR**

<b>CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
<b>XELJANZ® 5mg tablets (tofacitinib citrate)</b>	OLUMIANT® (baricitinib) RINVOQ® (upadacitinib) XELJANZ® <b>10mg</b> tablets (tofacitinib citrate) XELJANZ® XR (tofacitinib tablet, extended release)

### **PHOSPHODIESTERASE-4 INHIBITOR**

<b>CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
	OTEZLA® tablet (apremilast)

## Infectious Disease Agents: Antibiotics – Cephalosporins

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** for the date of service only; no refills

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
2. If the infection is caused by an organism resistant to medications not requiring prior approval, then may approve the requested medication.
  - ☐ Note diagnosis and any culture and sensitivity reports
3. If there have been therapeutic failures to no less than a 3-day trial of at least one medication not requiring prior approval, then may approve the requested medication.

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO AID IN THE FINAL DECISION**

If the patient is completing a course of therapy with a medication requiring prior approval, which was initiated in the hospital, then may approve the requested medication to complete the course of therapy.

### **CEPHALOSPORINS, FIRST GENERATION**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
CEFADROXIL capsules, suspension (generic of Duricef®) CEPHALEXIN 250mg, 500 mg capsules, suspension (generic of Keflex®)	CEPHALEXIN 750mg (generic of Keflex®) DAXBIA™ (cephalexin)

### **CEPHALOSPORINS, SECOND GENERATION**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
CEFACLOX (generic of Ceclor®) CEFACLOX ER (generic of Ceclor CD®) CEFACLOX suspension (no PA required for age 12 or under) (generic of Ceclor®) CEFPROZIL (generic of Cefzil®) CEFPROZIL suspension (generic of Cefzil®) (no PA required for age 12 or under) CEFUROXIME tablets (generic of Ceftin®)	CEFACLOX suspension (PA required for age over 12) (generic of Ceclor®) CEFPROZIL suspension (generic of Cefzil®) (PA required for age over 12)

### **CEPHALOSPORINS, THIRD GENERATION**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
CEFDINIR capsules, suspension (generic of Omnicef®)	CEFTIBUTEN capsules, suspension (generic of Cedax®) CEFPODOXIME tablets, suspension (generic of Vantin®) CEFIXIME SUSP (generic for SUPRAX®) SUPRAX® (cefixime)

## Infectious Disease Agents: Antibiotics – Macrolides

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** for the date of service only; no refills

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
2. If the infection is caused by an organism resistant to medications not requiring prior approval, then may approve the requested medication.
  - ☐ Note diagnosis and any culture and sensitivity reports
3. If there has been a therapeutic failure to no less than a 3-day trial of at least one medication not requiring prior approval, then may approve the requested medication.

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO AID IN THE FINAL DECISION**

If the patient is completing a course of therapy with a medication requiring prior approval, which was initiated in the hospital, then may approve the requested medication to complete the course of therapy.

### **INFECTIOUS DISEASE AGENTS: MACROLIDES - ORAL**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
AZITHROMYCIN tablets and suspension (generic of Zithromax®) CLARITHROMYCIN ER (generic of Biaxin XL®) CLARITHROMYCIN tablets and suspension (generic of Biaxin®) <b>ERYPED® (erythromycin ethylsuccinate)</b> ERYTHROCIN STEARATE® (erythromycin stearate) ERYTHROMYCIN BASE ERYTHROMYCIN ETHYLSUCCINATE ERY-TAB® (erythromycin base DR)	

## Infectious Disease Agents: Antibiotics – Quinolones

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** for the date of service only; no refills

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
2. If the infection is caused by an organism resistant to medications not requiring prior approval, then may approve the requested medication.
  - ☐ Note diagnosis and any culture and sensitivity reports
3. If there has been a therapeutic failure to at least a 3-day trial of at least one medication not requiring prior approval, then may approve the requested medication.

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO AID IN THE FINAL DECISION**

1. If the patient is completing a course of therapy with a medication requiring prior approval, which was initiated in the hospital, then may approve the requested medication to complete the course of therapy.
2. If the prescriber expresses concern over safety issues of a preferred agent, a non-preferred agent may be approved.

### **INFECTIOUS DISEASE AGENTS: QUINOLONES, SECOND GENERATION - ORAL**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
CIPROFLOXACIN (generic of Cipro®) CIPRO® suspension (no PA required for age 12 or under) (ciprofloxacin)	CIPROFLOXACIN suspension (PA required for age over 12) (generic of Cipro®) CIPROFLOXACIN ER (generic of Cipro®XR) OFLOXACIN

### **INFECTIOUS DISEASE AGENTS: QUINOLONES, THIRD GENERATION - ORAL**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
LEVOFLOXACIN (generic of Levaquin®)	MOXIFLOXACIN (generic of Avelox®)

### **INFECTIOUS DISEASE AGENTS: QUINOLONES, OTHER - ORAL**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
	BAXDELA™ (delafloxacin)

## Infectious Disease Agents: Antibiotics – Inhaled

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 28 days

All products in this class require clinical prior authorization:

- ☐ Diagnosis of cystic fibrosis with pseudomonas-related infection
- ☐ Age limit of 6 and older for tobramycin products
- ☐ Age limit of 7 and older for aztreonam
- ☐ “Pulse” dosing cycles of 28 days on drug, followed by 28 days off drug

**PDL CRITERIA:**

Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:

- ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

The requested medication may be approved if the following is true:

- ☐ If there has been no less than a 28-day trial of at least one preferred medication

**INFECTIOUS DISEASE AGENTS: ANTIBIOTICS - INHALED**

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	PA REQUIRED “NON-PREFERRED”
KITABIS® PAK (tobramycin inhalation solution with nebulizer) TOBRAMYCIN inhalation solution- (generic of TOBI™)	BETHKIS® inhalation solution (tobramycin) CAYSTON® inhalation solution (aztreonam) TOBI™ Podhaler (tobramycin inhalation powder)

**ADDITIONAL CRITERIA FOR AMIKACIN**

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** Initial authorization 180 days  
Subsequent authorizations 365 days

1. Clinical criteria for initial authorization:

- ☐ Diagnosis of *Mycobacterium avium* complex (MAC) lung disease; and
- ☐ Patient has not achieved negative sputum cultures after a minimum of 6 consecutive months of a multidrug background regimen therapy (e.g. macrolide, rifampin, & ethambutol)

2. Criteria for subsequent authorizations

- ☐ Evidence of culture conversion (negative sputum culture)

3. Dose will be limited to 1 dose per day

**INFECTIOUS DISEASE AGENTS: ANTIBIOTICS – INHALED AMIKACIN**

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	PA REQUIRED “NON-PREFERRED”
ARIKAYCE® (amikacin)	

## Infectious Disease Agents: Antibiotics – Tetracyclines

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** for the date of service only; no refills

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
2. If the infection is caused by an organism resistant to medications not requiring prior approval, then may approve the requested medication.
  - ☐ Note diagnosis and any culture and sensitivity reports
3. If there have been therapeutic failures to no less than a 3-day trial of at least one medication not requiring prior approval, then may approve the requested medication.

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO AID IN THE FINAL DECISION**

If the patient is completing a course of therapy with a medication requiring prior approval, which was initiated in the hospital, then may approve the requested medication to complete the course of therapy.

### **TETRACYCLINES**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
DOXYCYCLINE tablets, capsules 50mg & 100mg	DOXYCYCLINE (generic of DORYX®)
DOXYCYCLINE syrup	DOXYCYCLINE tablets, capsules 20mg, 40mg, 75mg, 150mg
MINOCYCLINE capsules	DOXYCYCLINE DR
TETRACYCLINE capsules	MINOCYCLINE (generic of XIMINO®)
VIBRAMYCIN® susp (doxycycline) (no PA required for age 12 or under)	MINOCYCLINE ER
	MINOLIRA™ ER (minocycline)
	SEYSARA™ (sarecycline)
	SOLODYN® ER (minocycline)
	VIBRAMYCIN® susp (doxycycline) (PA required for age over 12)

### **ADDITIONAL CRITERIA FOR OMADACYCLINE**

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 14 Days

1. Clinical criteria for initial authorization:
  - ☐ Diagnosis of Community-Acquired Bacterial Pneumonia (CABP) with prior failure of other first line agent OR
  - ☐ Diagnosis of Acute Bacterial Skin and Skin Structure Infection (ABSSSI) with prior failure of other first line agent
- 2) Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval

- ❑ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
  - ❑ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
- 3) If the infection is caused by an organism resistant to medications not requiring prior approval, then may approve the requested medication.
- ❑ Note diagnosis and any culture and sensitivity reports

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO AID IN THE FINAL DECISION**

If the patient is completing a course of therapy with a medication requiring prior approval, which was initiated in the hospital, then may approve the requested medication to complete the course of therapy.

**TETRACYCLINES**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
	NUZYRA® (omadacycline)

## Infectious Disease Agents: Antifungals for Onychomycosis & Systemic Infections

### LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:

For the duration of the prescription (up to 180 days)

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to or drug-to-drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval:
    - Drug interactions (inhibition of CYP450 system)
    - Ketoconazole > Itraconazole > Voriconazole > Fluconazole
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
2. If the patient has a serious illness that causes them to be immunocompromised [i.e. AIDS, cancer, organ (solid or non-solid) transplant] then may approve the requested medication.
3. If there have been therapeutic failures to no less than a 7-day trial of at least one medication not requiring prior approval, then may approve the requested medication.

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO AID IN THE FINAL DECISION

1. If the patient is completing a course of therapy with a medication requiring prior approval, which was initiated in the hospital or other similar location, or if the patient has just become Medicaid eligible and is already on a course of treatment with a medication requiring prior approval, then may approve the requested medication.
2. If the request is for a diagnosis other than fungal infection, please refer the case to a pharmacist. An off-label use may be approvable for a medication such as Nizoral® for advanced prostate cancer or for Cushing's Syndrome when standard treatments have failed.

### **INFECTIOUS DISEASE AGENTS: AGENTS FOR ONYCHOMYCOSIS**

<b>NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
GRIFULVIN®V tablets (griseofulvin, microsize)	ITRACONAZOLE (generic of Sporanox®)
GRISOEFULVIN suspension (generic of Grifulvin®V)	LAMISIL Granules (terbinafine)
GRIS-PEG® (griseofulvin, ultramicrosize)	SPORANOX® 100mg/10ml oral solution (itraconazole)
TERBINAFINE (generic of Lamisil®)	

### **INFECTIOUS DISEASE AGENTS: AGENTS FOR SYSTEMIC INFECTIONS**

<b>NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
FLUCONAZOLE (generic of Diflucan®)	CRESEMBA® (isavuconazonium)
FLUCONAZOLE suspension (generic of Diflucan®)	ITRACONAZOLE capsules (generic of Sporanox®)
FLUCYTOSINE (generic of Ancobon®)	NOXAFIL® (posaconazole)
KETOCONAZOLE (generic of Nizoral®)	ORAVIG® (miconazole)
	SPORANOX® 100mg/10ml oral solution (itraconazole)
	TOLSURA (itraconazole)
	VORICONAZOLE (generic of Vfend®)



## Infectious Disease Agents: Antivirals – Hepatitis C Agents

### **LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:**

365 days except simeprevir and direct acting antivirals (DAAs), see below

Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication within the same class that does not require prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:

- ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ Patients established on current therapy with prior payer (i.e. Commercial, Fee-for-Service, Managed Care Plan, etc).

### **ADDITIONAL CRITERIA FOR DAAs:**

All HCV DAAs require clinical prior authorization. Only regimens recommended by the American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases (AASLD) will be approved.

Please see the [Hepatitis C Direct Acting Antiviral Prior Authorization Form](#) for criteria and the most recent regimens recommended by the American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases (AASLD)

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO AID IN THE FINAL DECISION**

- ☐ Pegylated Interferons have a Black Box Warning which indicates that a patient should be monitored closely with periodic clinical and laboratory evaluations.
- ☐ Ribavirins are contraindicated in women who are pregnant and in their male partner(s). At least two reliable forms of contraception must be used during therapy.

### **INFECTIOUS DISEASE AGENTS: HEPATITIS C – DIRECT-ACTING ANTIVIRAL**

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"†	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
<b>SOFOBUVIR/VELPATASVIR (generic of EPCLUSA®)</b> [Labeler 72626] MAVYRET® (glecaprevir and pibrentasvir)	LEDIPASVIR/SOFOBUVIR (generic of HARVONI®) SOVALDI® (sofosbuvir) VOSEVI™ (sofosbuvir, velpatasvir, voxilaprevir) <b>ZEPATIER™ (elbasvir and grazoprevir tablet)</b>

†Selection of regimen will be based upon guidelines; refer to PA form for guidance.

### **INFECTIOUS DISEASE AGENTS: HEPATITIS C - PEGYLATED INTERFERONS**

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
PEGASYS® (peginterferon alfa-2a) PEG-INTRON® (peginterferon alfa-2b)	

### **INFECTIOUS DISEASE AGENTS: HEPATITIS C - RIBAVIRINS**

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
RIBAVIRIN (generic of Rebetol®)	

## Infectious Disease Agents: Antivirals – Herpes

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** For the duration of the prescription (up to 180 days)

Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:

- ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval

If there has been a therapeutic failure to at least a 3-day trial of at least one medication not requiring prior approval, then may approve the requested medication.

### INFECTIOUS DISEASE AGENTS: ANTIVIRALS - HERPES

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
ACYCLOVIR (generic of Zovirax®)	FAMCICLOVIR (generic of Famvir®)
VALACYCLOVIR (generic of Valtrex®)	SITAVIG® buccal tablets (acyclovir)

## Infectious Disease Agents: Antivirals – HIV

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

### **GRANDFATHERING:**

Patients who have a claim for a non-preferred drug in the previous 120 days will be automatically approved to continue the drug through the automated PA system. Patients who have taken the drug in the previous 120 days, but do not have claims history (e.g. new to Medicaid), will be approved for PA after prescriber contact.

### **APPROVAL CRITERIA:**

Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:

1. Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
2. Contraindication to recommended regimens not requiring prior approval
3. History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
4. Has the patient had a therapeutic trial of at least 30 days with at least one medication not requiring prior approval? If applicable, the request must address the inability to use the individual components.

### **HIV PROTEASE INHIBITORS AND COMBINATIONS**

<b>NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
EVOTAZ <sup>®</sup> (atazanavir/cobicistat) KALETRA <sup>®</sup> (lopinavir/ritonavir) ATAZANAVIR SULFATE capsules, oral powder (generic of Reyataz <sup>®</sup> )	LEXIVA <sup>®</sup> (fosamprenavir calcium) VIRACEPT <sup>®</sup> (nelfinavir mesylate)

### **HIV NON-PEPTIDIC PROTEASE INHIBITORS AND COMBINATIONS**

<b>NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
PREZCOBIX <sup>®</sup> (darunavir/cobicistat) PREZISTA <sup>®</sup> (darunavir ethanolate)	APTIVUS <sup>®</sup> (tipranavir; tipranavir/vitamin E) SYMTUZA <sup>™</sup> (darunavir, cobicistat, emtricitabine, tenofovir alafenamide) †

† Request must document clinical justification for patient inability to use the individual components (PREZCOBIX and DESCovy)

### **HIV REVERSE TRANSCRIPTASE INHIBITORS, NUCLEOSIDE ANALOGS AND COMBINATIONS**

<b>NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
ABACAVIR SULFATE tablet (generic of Ziagen <sup>®</sup> ) ABACAVIR/LAMIVUDINE (generic of Epzicom <sup>®</sup> ) EMTRIVA <sup>®</sup> (emtricitabine) ZIDOVUDINE (generic of Retrovir <sup>®</sup> )	ABACAVIR/LAMIVUDINE/ZIDOVUDINE (generic of TRIZIVIR <sup>®</sup> ) ABACAVIR SULFATE solution (generic of Ziagen <sup>®</sup> ) DIDANOSINE capsule (generic of Videx <sup>®</sup> ) LAMIVUDINE solution, tablet (generic of Epivir <sup>®</sup> ) LAMIVUDINE/ZIDOVUDINE (generic of Combivir <sup>®</sup> ) STAVUDINE (generic of Zerit <sup>®</sup> )

## HIV REVERSE TRANSCRIPTASE INHIBITORS, NUCLEOTIDE ANALOGS

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
TENOFOVIR DISOPROXIL 300mg (generic for VIREAD®) VIREAD® 150 mg & Oral Powder (tenofovir disoproxil)	VIREAD® 250mg (tenofovir disoproxil fumarate)

## HIV REVERSE TRANSCRIPTASE INHIBITORS, NON-NUCLEOSIDE ANALOGS

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
EFAVIRENZ (generic for SUSTIVA®) PIFELTRO™ (doravirine)	EDURANT® (rilpivirine) INTELENCE® (etravirine) NEVIRAPINE ER (generic of Viramune® XR) NEVIRAPINE IR (generic of Viramune®)

## HIV INTEGRASE STRAND TRANSFER INHIBITORS

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
ISENTRESS® tablets, chewable tablet, powder packets (raltegravir potassium) TIVICAY® & TIVICAY® PD (dolutegravir sodium)	

## HIV CCR5 CO-RECEPTOR ANTAGONISTS

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
	SELZENTRY® (maraviroc)

## HIV FUSION INHIBITORS

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
	FUZEON® (enfuvirtide)

## HIV RTI, NUCLEOSIDE-NUCLEOTIDE ANALOGS

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
CIMDUO™ (lamivudine/tenofovir) DESCOVY® (emtricitabine/ tenofovir alafenamide) TEMIXYS® (lamivudine-tenofovir disoproxil fumarate) TRUVADA® (emtricitabine/tenofovir)	

## HIV RTI, NUCLEOSIDE-NUCLEOTIDE ANALOGS AND COMBINATIONS

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
DELSTRIGO™ (doravirine, lamivudine, and tenofovir disoproxil) SYMFI & SYMFI LO™ (efavirenz/lamivudine/tenofovir)	

## HIV RTI, NUCLEOSIDE, NUCLEOTIDE, & NON-NUCLEOSIDE ANALOGS

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
ATRIPLA® (emtricitabine/efavirenz/tenofovir) COMPLERA® (emtricitabine/rilpivirine/tenofovir) ODEFSEY® (emtricitabine/rilpivirine/tenofovir alafenamide)	



**HIV INTEGRASE INHIBITOR & RTI COMBINATION**

<b>NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
DOVATO (dolutegravir/lamivudine) GENVOYA® (elvitegravir, cobicistat, emtricitabine, and tenofovir alafenamide) TRIUMEQ® (dolutegravir/abacavir/lamivudine)	STRIBILD® (elvitegravir/cobicistat/emtricitabine/tenofovir)

**HIV INTEGRASE INHIBITOR & NUCLEOSIDE ANALOG COMBINATIONS**

<b>NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
BIKTARVY® (bictegravir/emtricitabine/tenofovir)	

**HIV INTEGRASE INHIBITOR & NON-NUCLEOSIDE COMBINATION**

<b>NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
JULUCA (dolutegravir/rilpivirine)	

**HIV PHARMACOKINETIC ENHANCERS (CYP3A INHIBITORS)**

<b>NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
RITONAVIR (generic for Norvir®) NORVIR® oral solution, powder (ritonavir)	TYBOST® (cobicistat)

## Ophthalmic Agents: Ophthalmic Steroids

### LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 30 Days

For a non-preferred drug, there must have been inadequate clinical response to preferred alternatives, including a trial of no less than 14 days each of at least two preferred products

### OTHER APPROVAL CRITERIA:

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval

### OPHTHALMIC AGENTS: OPTHALMIC STEROIDS

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
DEXAMETHASONE SODIUM PHOSPHATE	ALREX® (loteprednol etabonate)
DUREZOL® (difluprednate)	FLAREX® (fluorometholone acetate)
FLUOROMETHOLONE	INVELTYS® (loteprednol etabonate)
FML FORTE® (fluorometholone)	LOTEMAX® (loteprednol etabonate)
FML S.O.P.® (fluorometholone)	LOTEMAX® SM (loteprednol etabonate)
PRED MILD® (prednisolone acetate)	LOTEPREDNOL
PREDNISOLONE ACETATE	MAXIDEX® (dexamethasone sodium phosphate)
PREDNISOLONE SODIUM PHOSPHATE	

## Ophthalmic Agents: Antibiotic and Antibiotic-Steroid Combination Drops and Ointments

### LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:

for the date of service only; no refills for acute infection. Refills for up to 14 days may be authorized for quinolones only for patients undergoing surgery.

For a non-preferred agent, there must have been inadequate clinical response to preferred alternatives, including a trial of no less than 3 days each of at least two preferred products

### OTHER APPROVAL CRITERIA:

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
2. If the infection is caused by an organism resistant to medications not requiring prior approval, then may approve the requested medication.
  - ☐ Note diagnosis and any culture and sensitivity reports

### OPHTHALMIC AGENTS: ANTIBACTERIAL - QUINOLONES

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
CILOXAN® ointment (ciprofloxacin)	BESIVANCE® drops (besifloxacin)
CIPROFLOXACIN drops (generic of Ciloxan®)	GATIFLOXACIN drops (generic of Zymaxid®)
MOXIFLOXACIN (generic for Vigamox®)	LEVOFLOXACIN drops (generic of Quixin®)
OFLOXACIN drops (generic of Ocuflox®)	MOXEZA® drops (moxifloxacin)

### OPHTHALMIC AGENTS: ANTIBACTERIAL – NON-QUINOLONE

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
BACITRACIN-POLYMYXIN ointment	AZASITE® drops (azithromycin)
ERYTHROMYCIN ointment (generic of Ilotycin®)	BACITRACIN ointment
GENTAMICIN drops, ointment	SULFACETAMIDE ointment
NEOMYCIN/POLYMYXIN/ BACITRACIN ointment (generic of Neosporin®)	
NEOMYCIN/POLYMYXIN/ GRAMICIDIN drops (generic of Neosporin®)	
POLYMYXIN/TRIMETHOPRIM drops (generic of Polytrim®)	
SULFACETAMIDE drops	
TOBRAMYCIN drops (generic of Tobrex®)	
TOBREX® ointment (tobramycin)	



# OPHTHALMIC AGENTS: ANTIBACTERIAL – STEROID COMBINATIONS

NO PA REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	PA REQUIRED “NON-PREFERRED”
NEOMYCIN/POLYMYXIN/ BACITRACIN/ HYDROCORTISONE ointment	BLEPHAMIDE® drops, ointment (prednisolone/ sulfacetamide)
NEOMYCIN/POLYMYXIN/ DEXAMETHASONE drops (generic of Maxitrol®)	NEOMYCIN/POLYMYXIN/ HYDROCORTISONE drops (generic of Cortisporin®)
NEOMYCIN/POLYMYXIN/ DEXAMETHASONE ointment (generic of Maxitrol®)	PRED-G® drops, ointment (prednisolone/ gentamicin)
SULFACETAMIDE/ PREDNISOLONE drops (generic of Vasocidin®)	TOBRADEX ST® (dexamethasone/ tobramycin)
TOBRADEX® drops, ointment (dexamethasone/tobramycin)	TOBRAMYCIN/ DEXAMETHASONE drops (generic of TobraDex®)
	ZYLET® drops (tobramycin/ loteprednol)

## Ophthalmic Agents: Antihistamines & Mast Cell Stabilizers

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindications to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
2. Patient must have a therapeutic failure to at least 14 days of one of the preferred agents.

### OPHTHALMIC AGENTS: MAST CELL STABILIZERS

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
CROMOLYN (generic of Crolom®)	ALOCRIIL® (nedocromil) ALOMIDE® (lodoxamide)

### OPHTHALMIC AGENTS: ANTIHISTAMINE/MAST CELL STABILIZERS

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
AZELASTINE (generic of Optivar®) KETOTIFEN (generic of Alaway®, Zaditor®) OLOPATADINE (generic of Pataday® and Patanol®)	BEPREVE® (bepotastine) EPINASTINE (generic of Elestat®) EMADINE® (emedastine) LASTACFT® (alcaftadine) ZERVIAE® (Cetirizine)

## Ophthalmic Agents: Dry Eye Treatments

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

All drugs in this class require step therapy: Patient must have a claim for an artificial tear or OTC dry eye drop in the previous 120 days.

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindications to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
2. Patient must have a therapeutic failure to at least 30 days of one of the preferred agents.

### OPHTHALMIC AGENTS: Dry Eye Treatments

STEP THERAPY REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
RESTASIS® trays (cyclosporine)	CEQUA™ (cyclosporine) RESTASIS® multi-dose (cyclosporine) XIIDRA™ (lifitegrast)

## Ophthalmic Agents: Glaucoma Agents

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

**STEP THERAPY:**

1. For a product requiring step therapy, there must have been inadequate clinical response to preferred alternatives for glaucoma, including a trial of no less than 30 days of at least one preferred product
2. For a non-preferred agent for glaucoma, there must have been inadequate clinical response to preferred alternatives, including a trial of no less than 30 days each of at least two preferred or step therapy products

**OTHER APPROVAL CRITERIA:**

Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:

- ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ Contraindications to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval

**GLAUCOMA AGENTS – BETA BLOCKERS**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
BETAXOLOL CARTEOLOL LEVOBUNOLOL (generic of Betagan®) METIPRANOLOL (generic of Optipranolol®) TIMOLOL gel solution (generic of Timoptic-XE®) TIMOLOL solution (generic of Timoptic®)	BETOPTIC® S (betaxolol) ISTALOL™ (timolol)

**GLAUCOMA AGENTS – PROSTAGLANDIN INHIBITORS**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
LATANAPROST (generic of Xalatan®)	TRAVATAN®Z (travoprost)	BIMATOPROST 0.03% LUMIGAN™ 0.01% (bimatoprost) TRAVOPROST VYZULTA™ (latanoprostene bunod) XELPROS™ (LATANOPROST) ZIOPTAN® (tafluprost)

**GLAUCOMA AGENTS – ALPHA ADRENERGIC AGONISTS/SYPATHOMIMETICS**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
ALPHAGAN®P (brimonidine 0.15%) BRIMONIDINE 0.2%	ALPHAGAN®P (brimonidine 0.1%)	APRACLONIDINE 0.5% (generic of Iopidine®) BRIMONIDINE 0.15% (generic of Alphagan®P) IOPIDINE® 1% (apraclonidine)

**GLAUCOMA AGENTS – CARBONIC ANHYDRASE INHIBITORS**

NO PA REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	PA REQUIRED “NON-PREFERRED”
DORZOLAMIDE (generic of Trusopt®)	AZOPT® (brinzolamide)	

**GLAUCOMA AGENTS – COMBO BETA BLOCKER & ALPHA ADRENERGIC AGONIST**

NO PA REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	PA REQUIRED “NON-PREFERRED”
	COMBIGAN® (brimonidine/timolol)	

**GLAUCOMA AGENTS – COMBO BETA BLOCKER & CARBONIC ANHYDRASE INHIBITORS**

NO PA REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	PA REQUIRED “NON-PREFERRED”
DORZOLAMIDE/TIMOLOL (generic of Cosopt & Cosopt PF®)		

**COMBO ALPHA-ADRENERGIC AGONIST AND CARBONIC ANHYDRASE INHIBITORS**

NO PA REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	PA REQUIRED “NON-PREFERRED”
SIMBRINZA™ (brinzolamide/brimonidine)		

**GLAUCOMA AGENTS – RHO KINASE INHIBITORS**

NO PA REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	PA REQUIRED “NON-PREFERRED”
		RHOPRESSA® (netarsudil)

**GLAUCOMA AGENTS – RHO KINASE AND PROSTAGLANDIN INHIBITORS COMBINATIONS**

NO PA REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED “PREFERRED”	PA REQUIRED “NON-PREFERRED”
		ROCKLATAN™ (netarsudil and latanoprost)

## Ophthalmic Agents: NSAIDs

### **LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:**

For the date of service only; no refills for acute use.  
Refills for up to 14 days may be authorized for patients undergoing surgery.

Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:

- ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

The requested medication may be approved if both of the following are true:

1. If there has been a therapeutic failure to no less than a 3-day trial of at least one medication not requiring prior approval
2. The requested medication's corresponding generic (if covered by the state) has been attempted and failed or is contraindicated.

### **OPHTHALMIC NSAIDs**

<b>NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
DICLOFENAC (generic of Voltaren®)	ACUVAIL® (ketorolac)
FLURBIPROFEN (generic of Ocufen®)	BROMFENAC (generic of Bromday®, Xibrom®)
KETOROLAC (generic of Acular®, Acular LS®)	BROMSITE™ (bromfenac)
	ILEVRO® (nepafenac)
	NEVANAC® (nepafenac)
	PROLENSA® (bromfenac)

## Otic Agents: Antibacterial and Antibacterial/Steroid Combinations

### LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:

For the date of service only; no refills for acute infection.

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
2. If the infection is caused by an organism resistant to medications not requiring prior approval, then may approve the requested medication.
  - ☐ Note diagnosis and any culture and sensitivity reports

The requested medication may be approved if both of the following are true:

- ☐ If there has been a therapeutic failure to no less than a 7-day trial of at least one medication not requiring prior approval
- ☐ The requested medication's corresponding generic (if covered by the state) has been attempted and failed or is contraindicated.

### OTIC AGENTS: ANTIBACTERIAL – STERIOD COMBINATION

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
CIPRO HC <sup>®</sup> suspension (ciprofloxacin with hydrocortisone)	COLY-MYCIN-S <sup>®</sup> suspension (neomycin and colistin with hydrocortisone)
CIPRODEX <sup>®</sup> suspension (ciprofloxacin with dexamethasone)	CORTISPORIN-TC <sup>®</sup> suspension (neomycin and colistin with hydrocortisone)
NEOMYCIN-POLYMYXIN B WITH HYDROCORTISONE solution (generic of Cortisporin <sup>®</sup> solution)	OTOVEL <sup>®</sup> (ciprofloxacin with fluocinolone)
NEOMYCIN-POLYMYXIN B WITH HYDROCORTISONE suspension (generic of Cortisporin <sup>®</sup> suspension)	

### OTIC AGENTS: ANTIBACTERIAL

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
OFLOXACIN drops (generic of Floxin Otic <sup>®</sup> )	CIPROFLOXACIN (generic of Cetraxal <sup>®</sup> )

## Respiratory Agents: Antihistamines – Second Generation

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
2. If there have been therapeutic failures after courses of treatment (e.g., 30 days for allergic rhinitis) with medication not requiring prior approval, then may approve the requested medication.

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- ☐ Fexofenadine is indicated for patients 6 years of age and older
- ☐ Loratadine is indicated for patients 2 years of age and older
- ☐ Cetirizine and desloratadine are indicated for patients 6 months of age and older

### **RESPIRATORY AGENTS: ANTIHISTAMINES: SECOND GENERATION**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
CETIRIZINE chewable, syrup (generic of Zyrtec®) (no PA required for age 6 or under)	CETIRIZINE chewable, syrup (generic of Zyrtec®) (PA required for age over 6)
CETIRIZINE tablets (generic of Zyrtec®)	CLARINEX® syrup (desloratadine)
LORATADINE rapid dissolve (generic of Claritin® Redi-tabs)	CLARITIN REDITABS® 5mg (loratadine)
LORATADINE tablets, syrup (generic of Claritin®)	DESLOMATADINE ODT (generic of Clarinex®)
	DESLOMATADINE tablets, ODT (generic of Clarinex®)
	FEXOFENADINE tablets, suspension (generic of Allegra®)
	LEVOCETIRIZINE tablets, oral solution (generic of Xyzal®)

### **RESPIRATORY AGENTS: ANTIHISTAMINE/DECONGESTANT COMBO: SECOND GENERATION**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
CETIRIZINE/PSEUDOEPHEDRINE (generic of Zyrtec- D®)	CLARINEX-D 12, 24 HOUR®
LORATADINE/PSEUDOEPHEDRINE (generic of Claritin-D®)	(desloratadine/pseudoephedrine)



## Respiratory Agents: Cystic Fibrosis

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:**      Initial authorization 90 days  
    Subsequent authorization 365 days

### **Initial Authorization**

□ KALYDECO® (ivacaftor), ORKAMBI® (lumacaftor/ivacaftor), SYMDEKO® (tezacaftor/ivacaftor) and TRIKAFTA® (elexacaftor/tezacaftor/ivacaftor and ivacaftor) may be approved if the patient meets all the following criteria:

- Diagnosis of cystic fibrosis
- The prescriber is, or has consulted with a pulmonologist or infectious disease specialist
- Patient has documentation (must include with PA request) of the genetic mutation(s) that the FDA approved the requested medication to treat
- Patient meets the FDA-approved age minimum for the requested medication

### **Reauthorization Criteria:**

- Patient may be approved for reauthorization if they meet all the following criteria:
- Patient must meet all initial criteria
  - Patient's adherence to medication is confirmed by claim history
  - Chart notes submitted with one or more of the following:

Stabilization OR improvement of FEV1 coupled with one of the following:

- Stabilization or improvement of weight gain
- Stabilization or improvement in sweat chloride
- Decrease in the number of pulmonary exacerbations or their severity
- Decrease in the number or severity of pulmonary infections
- Decrease in the number of hospitalizations
- Increased Cystic Fibrosis Questionnaire-Revised (CFQ-R) respiratory domain score
- Other documentation by the physician clearly explaining the ongoing benefit of continuing the drug based on stated and documented objective evidence of improvement or a clear stabilization in a previous decline in one of the above parameters

### **RESPIRATORY AGENTS: CYSTIC FIBROSIS**

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
KALYDECO® (ivacaftor) ORKAMBI® (lumacaftor/ivacaftor) SYMDEKO® (tezacaftor/ivacaftor) TRIKAFTA® (elexacaftor/tezacaftor/ivacaftor and ivacaftor)	

## Respiratory Agents: Epinephrine Auto-Injectors

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 DAYS

The requested medication may be approved if there has been therapeutic failure using the product(s) not requiring prior approval.

Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval?

Acceptable reasons include:

- ☐ Intolerance to medication(s) not requiring prior approval
- ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medication(s) not requiring prior approval
- ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medication(s) not requiring prior approval

### RESPIRATORY AGENTS: EPINEPHRINE AUTO-INJECTORS

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
EPINEPHRINE manufactured by labeler 49502 (authorized generic of EpiPen®) SYMJEPI™ (epinephrine)	EPINEPHRINE not manufactured by labeler 49502 (generic of Adrenaclick®, EpiPen®) EPIPEN® (epinephrine) EPIPEN JR® (epinephrine)

## Respiratory Agents: Hereditary Angioedema

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

All products in this class require clinical prior authorization:

- ☐ Diagnosis of hereditary angioedema
- ☐ History of recurrent angioedema (without urticaria) within the past 6 months
- ☐ History of recurrent episodes of abdominal pain and vomiting within the past 6 months
- ☐ History of laryngeal edema within the past 180 days
- ☐ Positive family history of angioedema

**PDL CRITERIA:**

Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval?

Acceptable reasons include:

- ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

The requested medication may be approved if the following is true:

- ☐ There has been one episode of angioedema during use of a preferred medication

**RESPIRATORY AGENTS: HEREDITARY ANGIOEDEMA**

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
HAEGARDA® (C1 esterase inhibitor, plasma derived) RUCONEST® (C1 esterase inhibitor, recombinant) TAKHZYRO™ (lanadelumab-flyo)	BERINERT® (C1 esterase inhibitor, plasma derived) CINRYZE® (C1 esterase inhibitor, plasma derived) ICATIBANT ACETATE (Generic for Firazyr®) KALBITOR® (ecallantide)

## Respiratory Agents: Inhaled Agents

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 DAYS

- Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval within the same class and formulation? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
- The requested medication may be approved if there has been a therapeutic failure to no less than a 14-day trial of at least one medication not requiring prior approval within the same class and formulation (must try two medications if anticholinergic).

### RESPIRATORY AGENTS: BETA-ADRENERGIC, SHORT-ACTING (SABA)

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
ALBUTEROL HFA (authorized generics Proair®, Proventil®, Ventolin®)	ALBUTEROL nebulizer solution (generic of Accuneb®) 0.42mg/ml, 0.63mg/ml (PA required for over age 12)
ALBUTEROL nebulizer solution (generic of Proventil®, Ventolin®) 0.083% Premixed nebulizers, 0.5% Concentrated Solution)	LEVALBUTEROL nebulizer solution (generic of Xopenex®)
ALBUTEROL nebulizer solution (generic of Accuneb®) 0.42mg/ml, 0.63mg/ml (no PA required for ages 12 and under)	PROAIR DIGIHALER® (albuterol sulfate)
PROAIR RESPICLICK® (albuterol)	XOPENEX HFA® (levalbuterol)

### RESPIRATORY AGENTS: BETA-ADRENERGIC, LONG-ACTING (LABA)

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
SEREVENT DISKUS® (salmeterol)†	BROVANA™ (arformoterol)
	PERFOROMIST® (formoterol)
	STRIVERDI RESPIMAT® (olodaterol)

†Denotes breath actuated inhaler

### RESPIRATORY AGENTS: BETA-ADRENERGIC-STEROID COMBINATIONS (LABA/ICS)

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
DULERA® (formoterol/mometasone)	ADVAIR® HFA (salmeterol/fluticasone)
SALMETEROL/FLUTICASONE (generic of Advair Diskus®) † [Labeler 66993]	BREO® ELLIPTA® (vilanterol/fluticasone)†
SYMBICORT® (formoterol/budesonide)	SALMETEROL/FLUTICASONE (generic of Advair Respiclick®)
	WIXELA™ Inhub™ (salmeterol/fluticasone) †

†Denotes breath actuated inhaler

## RESPIRATORY AGENTS: BETA-ADRENERGIC-MUSCARINIC COMBINATIONS (LABA/LAMA)

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
BEVESPI AEROSPHERE™ (formoterol/glycopyrrolate) †	ANORO™ ELLIPTA (/vilanterol/ umeclidinium)† DUAKLIR PRESSAIR™ (aclidinium bromide/formoterol fumarate)† STIOLTO™ (olodaterol/tiotropium)

†Denotes breath actuated inhaler

## RESPIRATORY AGENTS: ANTICHOLINERGICS

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
ATROVENT HFA® (ipratropium) COMBIVENT Respimat® (ipratropium/albuterol) IPRATROPIUM nebulizer solution IPRATROPIUM/ALBUTEROL nebulizer solution (generic of Duoneb®) SPIRIVA® Handihaler® (tiotropium)† SPIRIVA® Respimat® (tiotropium)	INCRUSE ELLIPTA® (umeclidinium)† LONHALA™ MAGNAIR™ (glycopyrrolate) TUDORZA® (aclidinium bromide)† YUPELRI™ (revefenacin)

†Denotes breath actuated inhaler

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO AID IN THE FINAL PA DECISION- GLUCOCORTICOIDS

If there have been therapeutic failures to no less than 30-day trials of at least two medications not requiring prior approval, then may approve the requested medication.

Requested medication may be approved if the patient is:

- ☐ Under 13 years old and is unable to use an inhaler not requiring prior approval
- ☐ Disabled and unable to use a preferred inhaler
- ☐ Non-compliant on a preferred inhaler due to taste, dry mouth, or infection
- ☐ Clinically unstable, as defined in current guidelines in terms of oral steroid use or patient's current symptomatology

## RESPIRATORY AGENTS: GLUCOCORTICOIDS

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
ASMANEX® Twisthaler (mometasone) BUDESONIDE nebulizer solution (generic of Pulmicort®) (no PA required for age 6 or under) FLOVENT DISKUS®† and HFA (fluticasone) PULMICORT FLEXHALER® (budesonide)†	AEROSPAN® HFA (flunisolide) ALVESCO® (ciclesonide) ARNUITY ELLIPTA® (fluticasone furoate)† ASMANEX® HFA (mometasone) BUDESONIDE nebulizer solution (generic of Pulmicort®) (PA required for over age 6) QVAR® (beclomethasone)

†Denotes breath actuated inhaler

## RESPIRATORY AGENTS: GLUCOCORTICOID-MUSCARINIC-BETA-ADRENERGIC COMBINATION

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
	TRELEGY ELLIPTA (fluticasone, umeclidinium and vilanterol) †

†Denotes breath actuated inhaler

## Respiratory Agents: Leukotriene Receptor Modifiers & Inhibitors

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:**      365 Days

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
2. If there has been a therapeutic failure to 90 days of one preferred agent not requiring prior approval, then may approve the requested medication.

### RESPIRATORY AGENTS: LEUKOTRIENE RECEPTOR ANTAGONISTS

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	STEP THERAPY REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
MONTELUKAST tablets, chewable tablets, granules (generic of Singulair®)	ZAFIRLUKAST (generic of Accolate®)	ZILEUTON extended-release (generic of Zyflo CR®) ZYFLO® (zileuton)

## Respiratory Agents: Monoclonal Antibodies-Anti-IL/Anti-IgE (Self-Administered)

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 DAYS

### **Clinical Criteria for Asthma**

- Indicated for moderate to severe asthma if:
  - Prescribed by or in consultation with an allergist/immunologist or pulmonologist
  - Preferred medications will be approved for patients with uncontrolled eosinophilic asthma symptoms and/or exacerbations despite at least one-month adherence to therapy with:
    - Medium dose preferred ICS/LABA inhaler (members 6-11 years old) – Nucala only
    - Medium dose preferred ICS/LABA inhaler with tiotropium or high dose preferred ICS/LABA inhaler (members 12 years and older) – Nucala or Fasenra
  - Non-preferred medications will be approved for patients with uncontrolled eosinophilic asthma symptoms and/or exacerbations despite at least three months adherence to therapy with a preferred agent

### **ADDITIONAL CRITERIA FOR DUPILUMAB (DUPIXENT®)**

- Indicated for moderate to severe atopic dermatitis if:
  - Patient has minimum body surface area (BSA) involvement of at least 10%
  - Prescribed by or in consultation with a dermatologist or allergist/immunologist
  - Patient is 6 years of age or older
  - Patient has had inadequate response or contraindication to two of the following: topical corticosteroids, topical calcineurin inhibitors [e.g. Elidel®], or topical PDE-4 inhibitors [e.g. Eucrisa™] unless atopic dermatitis is severe and involves greater than 25% of BSA.
  - Initial authorization is limited to 112 days with re-authorization of up to 365 days granted following demonstration of improvement in patient condition with therapy (e.g. reduced BSA affected).
- Indicated for chronic rhinosinusitis with nasal polyposis if:
  - Patient is 18 years of age or older
  - Patient had an inadequate response, intolerance or contraindication to one oral corticosteroid
  - Patient had a 30-day trial and experienced an inadequate response, intolerance or contraindication to one nasal corticosteroid spray

**Monoclonal Antibodies-Anti-IL/Anti-IgE (Self-Administered)**

CLINICAL PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
FASENRA® (benralizumab) NUCALA® (mepolizumab)	DUPIXENT® (dupilumab)



## Respiratory Agents: Nasal Preparations

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 days

For a non-preferred drug, there must have been inadequate clinical response to preferred alternatives, including a trial of no less than 30 days each of at least two preferred or step therapy products

**OTHER APPROVAL CRITERIA:**

Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval?

Acceptable reasons include:

- ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval

**RESPIRATORY AGENTS: NASAL PREPARATIONS - GLUCOCORTICOIDS**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
FLUNISOLIDE FLONASE OTC® (fluticasone) FLUTICASONE (generic of Flonase®)	BECONASE® AQ (beclomethasone) BUDESONIDE (generic of Rhinocort Aqua®) DYMISTA® (fluticasone/azelastine) MOMETASONE (generic of Nasonex®) OMNARIS® (ciclesonide) QNASL® (beclomethasone) XHANCE™ (fluticasone) ZETONNA® (ciclesonide)

**RESPIRATORY AGENTS: NASAL PREPARATIONS - ANTIHISTAMINES**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
AZELASTINE (generic of Astelin®, Astepro®) OLOPATADINE (generic of Patanase®)	

**RESPIRATORY AGENTS: NASAL PREPARATIONS - ANTICHOLINERGICS**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
IPRATROPIUM (generic of Atrovent®)	

## Respiratory Agents: Other Agents

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

### **DALIRESP EVALUATED WITH EACH REFILL**

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval within the same class and formulation? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval
2. The requested medication may be approved if there has been a therapeutic failure to no less than a 14-day trial of at least one medication not requiring prior approval within the same class and formulation. (i.e., nebulizers for nebulizers).

### **RESPIRATORY AGENTS: PHOSPHODISTERASE-4 INHIBITORS \***

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
	DALIRESP® (roflumilast)

\* Concurrent therapy with long-acting beta agonist required.

## Topical Agents: Anti-Fungals

### **LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:**

Duration of the prescription (up to 180 days)

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to at least two medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to all medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to at least two medications not requiring prior approval
2. Is the infection caused or presumed to be caused by an organism resistant to medications not requiring prior approval?
3. Has the patient failed therapeutic trials of 14 days with two medications not requiring prior approval?

### **TOPICAL AGENTS: ANTI-FUNGALS**

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
CICLOPIROX cream, gel, topical suspension, shampoo (generic of Loprox®)	ALEVAZOL® (clotrimazole)
CICLOPIROX solution (generic of Penlac®)	CICLOPIROX kit (generic of CNL® Nail lacquer kit)
CLOTRIMAZOLE (generic of Lotrimin®)	ERTACZO® (sertaconazole)
CLOTRIMAZOLE/BETAMETHASONE (generic of Lotrisone®)	EXELDERM® (sulconazole)
ECONAZOLE (generic of Spectazole®)	JUBLIA® solution (efinaconazole)
KETOCONAZOLE cream & shampoo (generic of Kuric®, Nizoral®)	KERYDIN® solution (tavaborole)
MICONAZOLE	KETOCONAZOLE foam (generic of Extina®)
NYSTATIN	LUZU® (luliconazole)
NYSTATIN/TRIAMCINOLONE	MENTAX® (butenafine)
TERBINAFINE (generic of Lamisil®)	NAFTIFINE CREAM
TOLNAFTATE (generic of Tinactin®)	NAFTIN® GEL (naftifine)
	OXICONAZOLE (generic of OXISTAT®)
	PEDIADERM AF® cream (nystatin)
	VUSION® ointment (miconazole/zinc)

## Topical Agents: Anti-Parasitics

### LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:

14 Days

Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:

- ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The requested medication may be approved if the following is true:

- ☐ If there has been a therapeutic failure to no less than a 30-day trial of at least one medication not requiring prior approval
- ☐ The requested medication's corresponding generic (if covered by the state) has been attempted and failed or is contraindicated.

### INDICATIONS AS APPROVED BY FDA

- ☐ Benzyl alcohol lotion is indicated for patients 6 months of age and older
- ☐ Crothamiton is indicated for adults
- ☐ Ivermectin is indicated for age 6 months and older
- ☐ Lindane lotion and shampoo are indicated only in patients who cannot tolerate or who have failed other treatments. **The P&T Committee does not recommend use of lindane.**
- ☐ Malathion is indicated for patients 6 years of age and older
- ☐ Permethrin cream and lotion are indicated for patients 2 months of age and older
- ☐ Spinosad is indicated for patients 6 months of age and older
- ☐ Package labeling does not list age for permethrin or piperonyl butoxide-pyrethrins

### ANTI-PARASITICS, TREATMENT OF SCABIES

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
PERMETHRIN cream (generic of Elimate®)	EURAX® cream, lotion (crothamiton)

### ANTI-PARASITICS, TREATMENT OF LICE

NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
LICE kit [piperonyl butoxide-pyrethrins shampoo, comb, permethrin home spray] (generic of Rid® complete kit) NATROBA® (spinosad) PERMETHRIN lotion (generic of Nix® cream rinse) PIPERONYL BUTOXIDE-PYRETHRINS lotion PIPERONYL BUTOXIDE-PYRETHRINS shampoo (generic of Rid® shampoo)	MALATHION lotion (generic of Ovide®) SPINOSAD (generic of Natroba®) SKLICE® lotion (ivermectin)

## Topical Agents: Corticosteroids

### **LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:**

365 days for low and medium potency

90 days for high and very high potency

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:
  - ☐ Allergy to at least two medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ Contraindication to all medications not requiring prior approval
  - ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to at least two medications not requiring prior approval
2. Has the patient failed therapeutic trials of 14 days with two medications not requiring prior approval in the same category?

### **TOPICAL AGENTS: CORTICOSTEROIDS – LOW POTENCY**

<b>NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
DESONIDE cream, ointment (generic of Desowen®) FLUOCINOLONE ACETONIDE 0.01% cream, solution (generic of Synalar®) FLUOCINOLONE scalp oil (generic of Derma- Smoothe/ FS®) HYDROCORTISONE cream, lotion, ointment	ALCLOMETASONE cream, ointment (generic of Aclovate®) CAPEX® shampoo (fluocinolone acetonide) DESONATE® gel (desonide) DESONIDE lotion (generic of Desowen®) HYDROCORTISONE ACETATE WITH ALOE gel HYDROCORTISONE WITH UREA cream (generic of Carmol HC®) PANDEL® cream (hydrocortisone probutate) PEDIADERM HC® kit

### **TOPICAL AGENTS: CORTICOSTEROIDS – MEDIUM POTENCY**

<b>NO PA REQUIRED "PREFERRED"</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"</b>
BETAMETHASONE DIPROPIONATE-CALCIPOTRIENE Ointment BETAMETHASONE VALERATE cream, lotion (generic of Valisone®) FLUTICASONE PROPIONATE cream, ointment (generic of Cutivate®) MOMETASONE FUROATE cream, ointment, solution (generic of Elocon®) PREDNICARBATE cream, ointment (generic of Dermatotop®) TRIAMCINOLONE ACETONIDE cream, ointment, lotion (generic of Aristocort®, Kenalog®)	BETAMETHASONE DIPROPIONATE lotion (generic of Diprolene®) CLOCORTOLONE PIVALATE (generic of Cloderm®) CORDRAN® tape (flurandrenolide) DESOXIMETASONE cream, gel, ointment (generic of Topicort®) FLUOCINOLONE ACETONIDE 0.025% cream, ointment (generic of Synalar®) FLUTICASONE PROPIONATE lotion (generic of Cutivate®) HYDROCORTISONE BUTYRATE cream, ointment, solution (generic of Locoid®) HYDROCORTISONE VALERATE cream, ointment (generic of Westcort®) LUXIQ® (betamethasone valerate foam)

**TOPICAL AGENTS: CORTICOSTEROIDS – HIGH POTENCY**

<b>NO PA REQUIRED “PREFERRED”</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED “NON-PREFERRED”</b>
AMCINONIDE ointment, cream, lotion	APEXICON-E® (diflorasone diacetate emollient base) cream
BETAMETHASONE VALERATE ointment (generic of Valisone®)	BETAMETHASONE DIPROPIONATE cream, ointment (generic of Diprolene®)
DIFLORASONE DIACETATE cream, ointment (generic of Psorcon®)	FLUOCINONIDE (generic of Vanos® cream)
FLUOCINONIDE cream, gel, ointment, solution (generic of Lidex®, Lidex-E®)	HALOG® cream, ointment (halcinonide)
	KENALOG® aerosol spray (triamcinolone acetonide)
	SERNIVO™ (betamethasone dipropionate spray)

**TOPICAL AGENTS: CORTICOSTEROIDS – VERY HIGH POTENCY**

<b>NO PA REQUIRED “PREFERRED”</b>	<b>PA REQUIRED “NON-PREFERRED”</b>
CLOBETASOL PROPIONATE cream, foam, gel, lotion, ointment, spray, shampoo, solution (generic of Clobex®, Olux®, Temovate®)	BETAMETHASONE DIPROPIONATE AUGMENTED cream, ointment, lotion, gel (generic of Diprolene AF®)
	BRYHALI™ (halobetasol propionate lotion)
	CLOBEX® lotion, spray, shampoo (clobetasol propionate)
	CLODAN® shampoo, kit (clobetasol propionate)
	HALOBETASOL PROPIONATE cream, ointment (generic of Ultravate®)
	LEXETTE™ (halobetasol propionate foam)
	OLUX-E® foam (clobetasol propionate)

## Topical Agents: Immunomodulators

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:** 365 Days

**STEP THERAPY:**

1. For a product requiring step therapy, there must have been an inadequate clinical response to no less than two 30-day trials of topical corticosteroids
2. For a non-preferred medication, there must have been inadequate clinical response to preferred alternatives, including a trial of no less than 30 days of the preferred medication

**OTHER APPROVAL CRITERIA:**

Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a medication not requiring prior approval? Acceptable reasons include:

- ☐ Allergy to medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ Contraindication to or drug interaction with medications not requiring prior approval
- ☐ History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to medications not requiring prior approval

**CLINICAL INFORMATION**

- ☐ Indicated for short-term and intermittent long-term treatment of atopic dermatitis if:
  - Alternative, conventional therapies (such as topical corticosteroids) are deemed inadvisable because of potential risks, or
  - There has been inadequate response or intolerance to alternative, conventional therapies (such as topical corticosteroids)
- ☐ Elidel® and Protopic® 0.03% are indicated in patients 2 years old or older. Protopic® 0.1% is indicated in adults only.

**TOPICAL IMMUNOMODULATORS**

STEP THERAPY REQUIRED "PREFERRED"	PA REQUIRED "NON-PREFERRED"
PIMECROLIMUS (generic of Elidel®) * [Labeler 68682] PROTOPIC (tacrolimus)*	EUCRISA™ (crisaborole) PIMECROLIMUS (generic of Elidel®) * [All other Labelers] TACROLIMUS (generic of Protopic®) *

\* Pimecrolimus and tacrolimus have age restriction of 2 years old or older