



Virginia Medicaid Preferred Drug List With Service Authorization Criteria
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General Information:

- The PDL is a list of preferred drugs, by select therapeutic class, for which the Medicaid Fee-for-service program allows payment without requiring service authorization (SA).
- *Please note that not all drug classes are subject to the Virginia Medicaid PDL.* In the designated classes, drug products classified as non-preferred will be subject to SA. In some instances, additional clinical criteria may apply to a respective drug class which may require a SA.
- This list is not all inclusive for non-preferred drugs.
- Fax requests receive a response within 24 hours.
- For urgent requests, please call **1-800-932-6648**.
- Not all drugs listed are covered by all DMAS programs.
- All new products included in a PDL class are non-preferred until reviewed by the P&T Committee.

PDL drug coverage information can be found at <http://www.VirginiaMedicaidPharmacyServices.com>. The following “routine” PDL criteria guidelines will be applied to all non-preferred drugs. Some drug classes will have additional criteria that will be listed alongside the drug class.

1. Is there any reason the patient cannot be changed to a preferred drug within the same class?
Acceptable reasons include:
 - Allergy to preferred drug.
 - Contraindication to or drug-to-drug interaction with preferred drug.
 - History of unacceptable/toxic side effects preferred drug.
 - Patient's condition is clinically stable; changing to a preferred drug might cause deterioration of the patient's condition.
2. The requested drug may be approved if both of the following are true:
 - There has been a therapeutic failure of no less than a **one-month trial** of at least **one** preferred drug **within the same class**.
 - The requested drug's corresponding generic (if a generic is available **and** covered by the State) has been attempted and failed or is contraindicated.

All changes from last posting will be highlighted in yellow.

Teal highlights indicate where a Brand is preferred over a generic

Drugs no longer available have been removed from this list.



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Analgesics			
* Opioids – Long Acting (LAO)			
Preferred (Schedules III-VI)			LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:
Butrans® (buprenorphine) Transdermal Patch	Belbuca (buprenorphine buccal film) ConZip® (tramadol ER) Ryzolt™ (tramadol ER) tramadol ER Ultram ER® (tramadol ER)		<ul style="list-style-type: none">Up to 6 months for chronic pain, (includes chronic non-malignant pain, cancer pain, palliative care, end-of-life care, or sickle cell)Up to 1 month for severe post op pain
Preferred (Schedule II)			As part of the recommendations for chronic pain treatment, please consider using
fentanyl 25, 50, 75 & 100 mcg patches morphine sulfate tab SA	Avinza® Belbuca™ Conzip® ER Duragesic® Embeda Exalgo® fentanyl 37.5 mcg, 62.5 mcg, and 87.5 mcg patches Hysingla ER™ Kadian® ER morphine ER (generic for Avinza®) morphine ER **methadone oral soln **methadone tab MS Contin® Nucynta® ER Opana® ER Oramorph® SR® oxycodone-long acting OxyContin® oxymorphone ER Xartemis™ XR Xtampza ER® Zohydro ER™		<p>buprenorphine analgesic products for patients requiring around the clock, long term analgesia. These products have a ceiling effect with less risk of respiratory depression than other opioids. Patients with chronic, moderate to severe pain (examples include chronic back or neck pain or diabetic neuropathy) who require daily, around-the-clock, long-term opioid treatment and who have a history of substance use disorder may be considered for Buprenorphine analgesic treatment with either topical patch or buccal film. Buprenorphine is a DEA Schedule III substance. Schedule III drugs are defined as drugs with a moderate to low potential for physical and psychological dependence. Schedule III drugs abuse potential is less than Schedule II drugs (https://www.dea.gov/druginfo/ds.shtml). Please consider buprenorphine patch and buccal film as an alternative for new patients requiring long-acting (LA) opioids as well as those on current LA opioid therapy.</p> <p>Routine PDL edit plus</p> <p>*Clinical Criteria for LAO (LAO fax form must be completed and submitted)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">If diagnosis is chronic non-malignant pain or severe post op pain, the member must meet the following:Require continuous around-the-clock analgesia therapy; ANDTried and failed immediate-release opioids daily for at least 1 week; ANDThe prescriber has checked the PMP on the date of this request to determine whether the member is receiving opioid dosages or dangerous combinations (such as opioids and benzodiazepines) that put him or her at high risk for fatal overdose; ANDDocument the date the PMP was accessed; AND



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			<ul style="list-style-type: none">Document the date of the member's last opioid prescription within the last 12 months; ANDDocument the date of the member's last benzodiazepines within the last 12 months prescription; ANDDocument the member's total drug Morphine Milligram Equivalents from the PMP site (MME/day) ; ANDIf the MME/Day =51 to 90 MME/day (Prescriber should consider offering a prescription for naloxone and overdose prevention education)If the MME/Day >90 Prescriber should consider offering a prescription for naloxone and provide overdose prevention education; plus consider consultation with a pain specialist) ; ANDThe prescriber has reviewed the FOLLOWING FDA BLACK BOX WARNING: Health care professionals should limit prescribing opioid pain medicines with benzodiazepines or other CNS depressants only to members for whom alternative treatment options are inadequate. If these medicines are prescribed together, limit the dosages and duration of each drug to the minimum possible while achieving the desired clinical effect. Warn members and caregivers about the risks of slowed or difficult breathing and/or sedation, and the associated signs and symptoms. Avoid prescribing prescription opioid cough medicines for members taking benzodiazepines or other CNS depressants, including alcohol. http://www.fda.gov/Drugs/DrugSafety/ucm518473.htm; ANDThe prescriber has counseled the member of the risks associated with combined use of benzodiazepines and opioids. Tapering Guidelines for Opioids and Benzodiazepines can be found at: http://www.oregonpainguidance.org/app/content/uploads/2016/05/Opioid-and-Benzodiazepine-Tapering-flow-sheets.pdfPrescriber attests on the required FAX form that a treatment plan with goals that addresses benefits and harm has been established with the member and all of the bullets on the FAX form are included. Plus, there is a SIGNED agreement with the member. ; ANDA presumptive urine drug screen (UDS) MUST be done at least annually. The UDS must check for the prescribed drug plus a minimum of 10 substances including heroin, prescription opioids, cocaine, marijuana, benzodiazepines, amphetamines, and metabolites. And submit a copy of the most recent UDS with the fax form.



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			<p>A daily dose limit has been established for each LAO. The list can be found at : Daily dose limits LAO & SAO</p> <p>Additional PDL edit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Approval of non-preferred agents in this class requires:• Contraindication to PDL preferred agents; OR• Drug to drug interaction to PDL preferred agents; OR• History of toxic side effects from PDL preferred agents that cause immediate or long-term damage (NOTE: this does not include GI intolerance). <p>Long Acting Opioid SA Fax Form</p>
Methadone Products			<p>** Clinical Criteria for Methadone</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Prescriber must be one of the following specialists: oncologist, sickle cell specialist, chronic pain specialist, or palliative care; AND• The member has contraindication to all other long acting opioids; OR• Member is not presently prescribed any other single entity immediate release or extend release opioids, benzodiazepines, barbiturates, carisoprodol or meprobamate; AND• Member does not have a history of, or received treatment for, drug dependency or drug abuse; AND• The Prescriber commits to monitoring the PMP with all new prescriptions; AND• Discusses with the member findings and risks of using other central nervous system depressants, such as benzodiazepines, alcohol, other sedatives, illicit drugs such as heroin, or other opioids; AND• Requires continuous around-the-clock analgesia therapy; AND• Tried and failed at least 2 or more preferred long acting ; AND• The Prescriber has checked the PMP on the date of this request to determine whether the member is receiving opioid dosages or dangerous combinations (such as opioids and benzodiazepines) that put him or her at high risk for fatal overdose; AND• Documents the date the PMP was accessed; AND• Documents the date of the member's last opioid prescription; AND• Documents the date of the member's last benzodiazepines prescription; AND• Documentst the member's total drug Morphine Milligram Equivalents from the
		<p><i>Dolophine®</i> <i>Methadose® oral soln & tab</i> <i>methadone oral soln & tab</i></p>	



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			<p>PMP site (MME/day) ; AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• If the MME/Day =51 to 90 MME/day (Prescriber should consider offering a prescription for naloxone and overdose prevention education)• If the MME/Day >90 Prescriber should consider offering a prescription for naloxone and provide overdose prevention education; plus consider consultation with a pain specialist); AND• The prescriber has reviewed the FOLLOWING FDA BLACK BOX WARNING: <i>Health care professionals should limit prescribing opioid pain medicines with benzodiazepines or other CNS depressants only to members for whom alternative treatment options are inadequate. If these medicines are prescribed together, limit the dosages and duration of each drug to the minimum possible while achieving the desired clinical effect. Warn members and caregivers about the risks of slowed or difficult breathing and/or sedation, and the associated signs and symptoms. Avoid prescribing prescription opioid cough medicines for members taking benzodiazepines or other CNS depressants, including alcohol.</i> http://www.fda.gov/Drugs/DrugSafety/ucm518473.htm; AND• The prescriber has counseled the member of the risks associated with combined use of benzodiazepines and opioids. Tapering Guidelines for Opioids and Benzodiazepines can be found at: http://www.oregonpainguidance.org/app/content/uploads/2016/05/Opioid-and-Benzodiazepine-Tapering-flow-sheets.pdf• Prescriber attests on the required FAX form that a treatment plan with goals that addresses benefits and harm has been established with the member and all of the bullets on the FAX form are included. Plus, there is a SIGNED agreement with the member. ; AND• A presumptive urine drug screen (UDS) MUST be done at least annually. The UDS must check for the prescribed drug plus a minimum of 10 substances including heroin, prescription opioids, cocaine, marijuana, benzodiazepines, amphetamines, and metabolites. And submit a copy of the most recent UDS with the fax form; OR• The member is an infant up to 1 year of age who was discharged from the hospital on a methadone taper; may be approved for up to 30 days. <p>Note:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Virginia does not cover any form of methadone for the treatment of opioid addiction at POS.



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			<p>2. Use of opioid analgesics during pregnancy has been associated with Neonatal Opioid Withdrawal Syndrome. Providers MUST Counsel women of childbearing age regarding the risks of becoming pregnant while receiving opioids, including the risk of Neonatal Opioid Withdrawal Syndrome. Providers should offer access to contraceptive services when necessary.</p> <p>Methadone SA Fax Form</p>
Opioids – Short Acting			
*Transmucosal Immediate Release Fentanyl			<u>LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:</u> 3 months
		<i>Actiq[®]</i> <i>Fentora[®]</i> <i>fentanyl citrate</i> <i>Lazanda[®]</i> <i>Subsys[®]</i>	<p>Routine PDL edit plus</p> <p><u>*Clinical Criteria for Transmucosal Immediate Release Fentanyl</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Diagnosis of breakthrough cancer pain; AND• Patient is receiving around-the-clock scheduled long-acting narcotics; AND• Patient is receiving and tolerant to other opioids as indicated by one of the following:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ At least 60 mg of morphine per day for at least one week without adequate pain relief; OR○ At least 25 mcg/hr of transdermal fentanyl for at least one week without adequate pain relief; OR○ At least 30 mg oxycodone per day for at least one week without adequate pain relief; OR○ At least 8 mg hydromorphone per day for at least one week without adequate pain relief; OR○ An equianalgesic dose of another opioid for at least one week without adequate pain relief; AND• Patient has tried and failed at least two immediate release opioid products (e.g., oxycodone, immediate-release morphine, hydromorphone) for breakthrough pain OR has a contraindication, intolerance, or drug-to-drug interaction with at least two immediate release opioid products; AND• Patient is 18 years of age or older (16 years of age for Actiq[®]); AND• Must be enrolled in the TIRF REMS ACCESS <p>Transmucosal Immediate Release Fentanyl SA Fax Form</p>



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Opioid Dependency		
**buprenorphine SL **Suboxone[®] film naloxone syringe & vial naltrexone tab Narcan[®] Nasal Spray	**BunavailTM **buprenorphine/naloxone tab Evzio[®] **ZubsolvTM	**Clinical Criteria for Initiation and Maintenance of Buprenorphine Treatment in Opioid Use Disorder <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Initial Authorization: 3 months. Additional prior authorizations will not be required for dose adjustments. After 3 months, the provider must submit the SA Request Form for buprenorphine or buprenorphine/naloxone maintenance.• Maintenance authorization: The second and subsequent requests will be authorized for 6 months All of the following must be met: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Individual has a diagnosis of Opioid Use Disorder; AND• Individual is 16 years of age or older; AND• Prescriber's personal DEA and X DEA Numbers are provided; AND• Individual is participating in psychosocial counseling (individual or group) at least once per week during first 3 months of initiation. Then at least once or twice per month during maintenance; AND• Name and phone number of behavioral health professional providing counseling and date of appointment must be documented. For Buprenorphine monotherapy: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Covered only for pregnant women for a maximum of 9 10 months.• Documentation and date of positive pregnancy test must be included• MedWatch form detailing adverse reactions to combination products; AND• The prescriber must review the Virginia PMP before the initiation of therapy and document fill date of last opioid RX and date of the last benzodiazepine RX• The prescriber must review the PMP on the date of the request for Maintenance of therapy.• Maximum of 16 mg per day will be covered unless compelling clinical rationale for exceeding this dose with written documentation is provided.• Doses greater than 24 mg per day will not be approved• Lock in Policy: the member is locked in for buprenorphine or buprenorphine/naloxone products to the requesting physician and to the dispensing pharmacy.• During maintenance: The following medications will NOT be allowed concurrently: benzodiazepines, tramadol (Ultram[®]), carisoprodol (Soma[®]), other opiates, or stimulants due to the increased risks of adverse events including fatal overdoses.• During Induction: Concurrent use of benzodiazepines during induction are permitted only for ("Gold Card Providers/Providers of Excellence").• Only one exception of a 14 day benzodiazepine prescription will be allowed



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			<div>within 365 based on clinical necessity.</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none">During maintenance the prescriber must checking random urine drug screens at least 4 times per 6 months.Checking for buprenorphine/norbuprenorphine, methadone, oxycodone, benzodiazepines, amphetamine/ methamphetamine, cocaine, heroin, THC, and other prescription opiates.The last 2 urine drug screens (with at least 1 of these screenings within past month). Must be submitted with the 1st maintenance request and each successive request. <div>Quantity Limits</div> <table><tr><td>Bunavail™ 2.1–0.3mg buccal film</td><td>1/day</td></tr><tr><td>Bunavail™ 4.2–0.7mg buccal film</td><td>2/day</td></tr><tr><td>Bunavail™ 6.3–1mg buccal film</td><td>2/day</td></tr><tr><td>buprenorphine SL tab 2mg</td><td>3/day</td></tr><tr><td>buprenorphine SL tab 8mg</td><td>2/day</td></tr><tr><td>buprenorphine/naloxone SL tab 2–0.5mg</td><td>3/day</td></tr><tr><td>buprenorphine/naloxone SL tab 8–2mg</td><td>2/day</td></tr><tr><td>Suboxone® SL film 2–0.5mg</td><td>3/day</td></tr><tr><td>Suboxone® SL film 4–1mg</td><td>1/day</td></tr><tr><td>Suboxone® SL film 8–2mg</td><td>2/day</td></tr><tr><td>Suboxone® SL film 12–3mg</td><td>1/day</td></tr><tr><td>Zubsolv™ SL tab 1.4–0.36mg</td><td>2/day</td></tr><tr><td>Zubsolv™ SL tab 2.9–0.71mg</td><td>2/day</td></tr><tr><td>Zubsolv™ SL tab 5.7–1.4mg</td><td>2/day</td></tr><tr><td>Zubsolv™ SL tab 8.6–2.1mg</td><td>2/day</td></tr><tr><td>Zubsolv™ SL tab 11.4–2.9mg</td><td>2/day</td></tr></table> <div>Oral Buprenorphine SA Form</div>	Bunavail™ 2.1–0.3mg buccal film	1/day	Bunavail™ 4.2–0.7mg buccal film	2/day	Bunavail™ 6.3–1mg buccal film	2/day	buprenorphine SL tab 2mg	3/day	buprenorphine SL tab 8mg	2/day	buprenorphine/naloxone SL tab 2–0.5mg	3/day	buprenorphine/naloxone SL tab 8–2mg	2/day	Suboxone® SL film 2–0.5mg	3/day	Suboxone® SL film 4–1mg	1/day	Suboxone® SL film 8–2mg	2/day	Suboxone® SL film 12–3mg	1/day	Zubsolv™ SL tab 1.4–0.36mg	2/day	Zubsolv™ SL tab 2.9–0.71mg	2/day	Zubsolv™ SL tab 5.7–1.4mg	2/day	Zubsolv™ SL tab 8.6–2.1mg	2/day	Zubsolv™ SL tab 11.4–2.9mg	2/day
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codeine/APAP		All Brands require a SA	Clinical Criteria for Short Acting Opioids (SAO)																																
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hydrocodone/APAP hydrocodone/ibuprofen hydromorphone morphine IR nalbuphine oxycodone IR oxycodone/APAP tramadol HCL	butalbital comp with codeine butorphanol tartrate nasal dihydrocodeine/APAP/caffeine dihydrocodeine/ASA/caffeine hydromorphone liq/supp meperidine tab Nucynta [®] Oxayd [®] oxycodone/ASA oxycodone/ibuprofen oxymorphone HCL pentazocine/naloxone PrimLev [™] Tivorbex [®] tramadol HCL/APAP Ultracet [®] Ultram [®] Zamiset [®] soln	<p>supplies within 60 days).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Daily dose limits have been established for each SAO. The list can be found at: Daily dose limits LAO & SAO <p>LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">1 months for severe post-surgical pain, OR6 months for chronic pain (includes chronic malignant pain, active cancer pain, palliative care, end-of-life care, or sickle cell). For break through pain relief the patient must be on a LAO. <p>Following CDC Guidelines for Opioid use, the following are required;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">The prescriber checks the PMP on the date of this request to determine whether the member is receiving opioid dosages or dangerous combinations (such as opioids and benzodiazepines) that put him or her at high risk for fatal overdose; ANDDocuments the date the PMP was accessed; ANDDocuments the date of the member's last opioid prescription; ANDDocuments the date of the member's last benzodiazepines prescription; ANDDocuments the member's total drug Morphine Milligram Equivalents from the PMP site (MME/day) ; ANDIf from 51 to 90 MME/day (Prescriber should offer the member a prescription Rx for naloxone and overdose prevention education.If >90 MME/day (Prescriber should consider giving the member a prescription for naloxone & provide overdose prevention education; plus consider consultation with a pain specialist); ANDThe prescriber has reviewed FDA BLACK BOX WARNING: <i>Health care professionals should limit prescribing opioid pain medicines with benzodiazepines or other CNS depressants only to members for whom alternative treatment options are inadequate. If these medicines are prescribed together, limit the dosages and duration of each drug to the minimum possible while achieving the desired clinical effect. Warn members and caregivers about the risks of slowed or difficult breathing and/or sedation, and the associated signs and symptoms. Avoid prescribing prescription opioid cough medicines for members taking benzodiazepines or other CNS depressants, including alcohol.</i> http://www.fda.gov/Drugs/DrugSafety/ucm518473.htm; ANDThe prescriber has counseled the member of the risks associated with combined use of benzodiazepines and opioids. For Tapering Guidelines for Opioids and Benzodiazepines:



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			<p>http://www.oregonpainguidance.org/app/content/uploads/2016/05/Opioid-and-Benzodiazepine-Tapering-flow-sheets.pdf : AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prescriber attests on the fax form that a treatment plan with goals that addresses benefits and harm has been established with the member and the bullets on the fax form are included and there is a SIGNED agreement with the member. This will be reviewed with the member within 1 to 4 weeks of starting opioid therapy for chronic pain, with dose escalation and is reviewed every 3 months or more frequently: AND A presumptive urine drug screen (UDS) MUST be done if treatment last longer than 60 days. The UDS must check for the prescribed drug prescribed plus a minimum of 10 substances including heroin, prescription opioids, cocaine, marijuana, benzodiazepines, amphetamines, and metabolites. <p>Approval of non-preferred agents in this class requires:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contraindication to all PDL preferred agents; OR Drug to drug interaction to all PDL preferred agents; OR History of toxic side effects from all PDL preferred agents that cause immediate or long-term damage (NOTE: this does not include GI intolerance). <p>Short Acting Opioids SA Fax Form</p>
Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatory Drugs			
Oral		LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year	
Children's ibuprofen susp (OTC) ibuprofen (OTC & RX) Infant's ibuprofen drops susp (OTC) meloxicam tab naproxen sulindac	<i>Anaprox[®] IR & DS[®]</i> <i>Advil[®]</i> <i>Aleve[®]</i> <i>Arthrotec[®]</i> <i>Cataflam[®]</i> <i>*Celebrex[®] & *celecoxib</i> <i>Daypro[®]</i> <i>diclofenac potassium</i> <i>diclofenac sodium SR</i> <i>diclofenac sodium/misoprostol</i> <i>diflunisal</i> <i>Duexis[®]</i> <i>etodolac IR & SR</i> <i>Feldene[®]</i> <i>fenoprofen</i>	<p>Routine PDL edit plus</p> <p>A one-month trial of at least <u>two preferred drugs within the same class.</u></p> <p>*Step edit required for Celebrex and celecoxib</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> History of a trial of a minimum of two (2) different non-COX2 NSAIDs within the past year; OR Concurrent use of anticoagulants (i.e., warfarin, heparin, etc.), methotrexate, oral corticosteroids; OR History of previous GI bleed or conditions associated with GI toxicity risk factors (i.e., PUD, GERD, etc.); OR Specific indication for Celebrex[®], which preferred drugs are not indicated. 	



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	<i>flurbiprofen</i> <i>ibuprofen tab chew OTC</i> <i>Indocin[®] supp</i> <i>indomethacin IR, SR & rectal</i> <i>ketoprofen IR & ER</i> <i>ketorolac</i> <i>meclofenamate</i> <i>mefenamic</i> <i>meloxicam susp</i> <i>Mobic[®]</i> <i>Motrin[®]</i> <i>nabumetone</i> <i>Nalfon[®]</i> <i>Naprelan[®]</i> <i>Naprosyn[®]</i> <i>naproxen CR (generic Naprelan[®])</i> <i>naproxen EC</i> <i>naproxen sodium</i> <i>oxaprozin</i> <i>piroxicam</i> <i>Ponstel[®]</i> <i>Prevacid Naprapac[®]</i> <i>Sprix[®] nasal spray</i> <i>Tivorbex[™]</i> <i>tolmetin sodium</i> <i>Vimovo[®]</i> <i>Vivlodex[™]</i> <i>Voltaren[®] XR</i> <i>Zipsor[®]</i> <i>Zorvolex[™]</i>	
Topical **Flector[®] patch **Voltaren[®] gel (1%)	**diclofenac sodium 1 % gel ***diclofenac sodium 3 % gel **Pennsaid[®] top soln & pump ***Solaraze 3% top gel **Vopac MDS **Xrylix[™] Kit	**Flector[®], Voltaren[®], Pennsaid[®], Vopac MDS, & Xrylix[™] Kit: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Approval is based on patient failing the oral generic of the desired product and at least one other preferred NSAID (to equal a total of at least two preferred). For example, a patient who failed ibuprofen or naproxen will still need to try oral diclofenac for approval of Flector[®].Pennsaid[®], Vopac MDS, and Xrylix[™] Kit can only be approved for the FDA approved indication of osteoarthritis of the knee.



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			Quantity limit for Flector [®] = 30 patches per RX ***Solaraze[®] 3% & Diclofenac Sodium 3 % Clinical Criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indicated for the topical treatment of actinic keratosis
Antibiotic-Anti-Infective			
*Antibiotics, Inhaled			
**Tobi Podhaler[®] Bethkis[®] 300 mg/4 mL KitabisTM Pak 300 mg/5mL		Cayston[®] Tobi[®] inhalation neb soln 300 mg/5 mL tobramycin inhalation neb soln 300 mg/5ml (generic Tobi[®] inhalation) tobramycin Pak (generic KitabisTM Pak)	LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year Routine PDL edit plus *Minimum age for use is 6 years for all tobramycin inhalation nebulizer solution (Bethkis [®] , Kitabis TM Pak, Tobi [®] and Tobi Podhaler [®]) and 7 years for Cayston [®] . **Tobi Podhaler [®] requires a clinical reason as to why one of the preferred tobramycin inhalation nebulizer solutions cannot be used (Bethkis [®] or Kitabis TM). Quantity Limits: Bethkis [®] = 224mL (56 amps)/28 days Cayston [®] = 84 mL/28 days Kitabis TM Pak = 280mL (56 amps)/28 days Tobi Podhaler [®] = 224 capsule/28 day Tobi [®] inhalation neb = 280mL (56 amps)/28 days tobramycin = 280mL (56 amps)/28 days
Antifungals, Oral			
fluconazole tab/susp Griseofulvin[®] susp griseofulvin ultramicrosize nystatin tab/susp terbinafine		*Ancobon[®] clotrimazole (mucous mem) **Cresemba[®] Diflucan[®] tab/susp flucytosine Grifulvin V[®] tab Gris-Peg[®] griseofulvin tab itraconazole ketoconazole ***Lamisil[®] tab/granules ****Noxafil[®]	LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: Duration of the prescription (up to 12 months) Routine PDL edit plus Clinical Criteria for Antifungals, Oral *Ancobon[®]: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indicated for the treatment of : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Candida: septicemia, endocarditis, and UTIs; OR Cryptococcus: meningitis, pulmonary infections; OR Can be approved if the patient is immunocompromised (i.e. AIDS, cancer, organ transplants).



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		<p>*****<i>Onmel</i>[®]</p> <p>*****<i>Sporanox</i>[®] cap/soln</p> <p><i>Terbinex</i>[™] kit</p> <p>*****<i>Vfend</i>[®] tab/susp</p> <p><i>voriconazole tab & powder for susp</i></p>	<p>**<i>Cresemba</i>[®]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Indication is treatment of invasive aspergillosis or mucormycosis; AND• Member must be over 18 years of age <p>***<i>Lamisil</i>[®] granules</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Indication is tinea capitis; AND• Member must be over 4 years of age. <p>****<i>Noxafil</i>[®]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• May be approved for:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Preventative (prophylactic) therapy for treatment of invasive <i>Aspergillus</i>; OR○ Diagnosis of <i>Candida</i>; OR○ Patient is immunocompromised; OR○ Diagnosis of graft-versus-host disease (GVHD); OR○ Patient has a hematologic malignancy (a cancer of the blood, bone marrow, or lymph nodes); OR○ Patient has prolonged neutropenia from chemotherapy; OR○ Diagnosis of <i>Zygomycosis</i>; OR○ Diagnosis of <i>Fusariosis</i>; OR○ Patient has another fungal infection or mold infection is refractory or resistant to itraconazole or voriconazole, or patient has a contraindication to itraconazole or voriconazole. <p>*****<i>Onmel</i>[®]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Indicated for the treatment of onychomycosis of the toenail caused by <i>Trichophyton rubrum</i> or <i>T. mentagrophytes</i>; AND• Patient had a therapeutic trial and treatment failure with oral terbinafine; OR• Patient has a contraindication to oral terbinafine (i.e. heart failure, hepatic impairment, viral hepatitis). <p>*****<i>Sporanox</i>[®]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Indicated for the treatment of Aspergillosis, Candidiasis (oral or esophageal), Histoplasmosis, Blastomycosis, empiric treatment of febrile neutropenia. <p>*****<i>Vfend</i>[®]:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Can be approved without failure on the preferred agent if the patient has any of the following diagnoses:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Myelodysplastic Syndrome (MDS); OR○ Neutropenic Acute Myeloid Leukemia (AML); OR



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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Graft versus Host Disease (GVHD); OR ○ Candidemia (<i>candida krusei</i>); OR ○ Esophageal Candidiasis; OR ○ Pulmonary or invasive aspergillosis; OR ○ Blastomycosis; OR ○ Oropharyngeal/esophageal candidiasis refractory to fluconazole, OR ○ Serious fungal infections caused by <i>Scedosporium apiospermum</i> (asexual form of <i>Pseudallescheria boydii</i>) and <i>Fusarium</i> spp., including <i>Fusarium solani</i>, in patients intolerant of, or refractory to other therapy, immunocompromised (i.e. AIDS, cancer, organ transplants). <p>Antifungal Oral SA Fax Form</p>
Cephalosporins, Oral			
Second Generation Cephalosporins			LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: Date of service only; no refills. Routine PDL edit plus Clinical Criteria for Cephalosporins
cefaclor cap cefprozil cap/susp cefuroxime tab	cefaclor ER cefaclor susp Ceftin [®] tab/susp		
Third Generation Cephalosporins			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Infection caused by an organism resistant to preferred drugs, OR ● A therapeutic failure to no less than a three-day trial of one preferred drug within the same class; OR ● The patient is completing a course of therapy with a non-preferred drug which was initiated in the hospital.
cefdinir cap/susp Suprax [®] susp	Cedax [®] cap/susp ceftibuten cefixime suspension cefditoren pivoxil cefprozime proxetil cap/susp Spectracef [®] Suprax [®] chewable tab/cap		
Macrolides, Oral			
Macrolides & Ketolides			LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: Date of service only; no refills. Routine PDL edit plus Clinical Criteria for Macrolides and Ketolides
azithromycin pack/susp/tab clarithromycin tab/susp *E.E.S. [®] *Eryped [®] 400 susp	Biaxin [®] tab/susp/XL clarithromycin ER *Eryped [®] 200 susp erythromycin base tab		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Infection caused by an organism resistant to preferred drugs; OR



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Ery-tab® erythromycin base cap DR erythrocin stearate erythromycin ethylsuccinate erythromycin stearate erythromycin/sulfisoxazole		**Ketek® PCE® Zithromax® pac/tab/susp ZMAX® susp	<ul style="list-style-type: none">A therapeutic failure to no less than a three-day trial of one preferred drug within the same class; ORThe patient is completing a course of therapy with a non-preferred drug which was initiated in the hospital. <p>*Generics are not available in some strengths/dosage forms.</p> <p>** Ketek® requires submission of Ketek® specific SA form.</p> <p>Ketek SA Fax Form</p>
Otic			
Ciprodex®	Cetraxal® Cipro HC® ofloxacin Otovel	LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: Date of service only; no refills Routine PDL edit	
Quinolones, Oral			
Second Generation Quinolones		LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: Date of service only; no refills	
ciprofloxacin susp/tab	Cipro® IR & XR & susp ciprofloxacin ER Noroxin® ofloxacin	Routine PDL edit plus: Clinical Criteria for Quinolones <ul style="list-style-type: none">Infection caused by an organism resistant to preferred drugs; ORA therapeutic failure to no less than a three-day trial of one preferred drug within the same class; ORThe patient is completing a course of therapy with a non-preferred drug which was initiated in the hospital.	
Third Generation Quinolones			
Avelox® ABC PACK levofloxacin tab	Avelox® Levaquin® tab/susp levofloxacin susp moxifloxacin		
Topical Antibiotics			
mupirocin ointment	*Altabax™ Bactroban® cr/ointment Centany® Centany AT® Kit	LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: Date of service only; no refills Routine PDL edit *Quantity Limit = 15 grams per 34 days	



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Vaginal Antibiotics			
Cleocin® Ovules metronidazole gel		Cleocin® cr Clindesse® cr clindamycin cr Metrogel® Nuversa® Vandazole™ gel	LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: Date of Service Routine PDL edit
Antivirals			
Hepatitis C Agents			
Interferon			LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 8 weeks (initial approval for all diagnoses) Routine PDL edit plus *Clinical Criteria for Direct-Acting Antivirals (DAAs) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member must be 18 years of age or older; AND Prescriber must be a gastroenterologist, hepatologist, infectious disease specialist or transplant specialist or in consultation with one of the above; AND Prescriber must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assess the member for adherence with medical and pharmacological treatments; Review the Hepatitis C Treatment Patient Agreement with the member; and Evaluate member for current substance use disorder including alcohol use disorder <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Members identified with a substance use disorder should be referred for treatment Testing for illicit drug and/or alcohol use is not required Member cannot be denied Hepatitis C treatment for sole reason of substance use; AND If HCV RNA is detectable at week 4 of treatment, repeat quantitative HCV RNA viral load testing is recommended after 2 additional weeks of treatment (treatment week 6). If quantitative HCV viral load has increased by greater than 10-fold (>1 log10 IU/mL) on repeat testing at week 6 (or thereafter), then discontinuation of HCV treatment is recommended; AND Members must be evaluated for decompensated cirrhosis (which is defined as a Child-Pugh score greater than 6 [class B or C]); AND Members must be evaluated for severe renal impairment (eGFR <30 mL/min/1.73m²) or end stage renal disease (ESRD) requiring hemodialysis.
Peg-Intron® Peg-Intron Redipen®		Pegasys® Proclick/syringe/kit/vial	
Protease Inhibitor			
Victrelis®		Olysio™	
*Nucleotide Analog NS5A & NS5B Polymerase Inhibitors			
Epclusa® (Genotype 2 & 3)		Daklinza® Sovaldi®	
*NS5A, NS3/4A Inhibitor Combinations			
Technivie™ Viekira Pak™ Viekira XR™		Zepatier™	
*NS5B & Protease Inhibitor combinations			
Harvoni®			



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			Renewal Criteria <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Patient is compliant with drug therapy regimen (per pharmacy paid claims history); AND• Drug is prescribed in accordance to FDA approved label indications and guidelines Hepatitis C Antivirals SA Fax Form
Herpes Oral			
acyclovir tab famciclovir valacyclovir Zovirax® susp	acyclovir susp Famvir® Sitavig® buccal tab Valtrex® Zovirax® tab/susp		LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year Routine PDL edit
Herpes Topical			
Abreva OTC® Zovirax® cr	acyclovir oint Denavir® Xerese® cr Zovirax® oint		LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year Routine PDL edit
Influenza			
amantadine tab/syrup Relenza Disk® rimantadine Tamiflu® cap/susp	amantadine cap Flumadine® tab		LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: Date of service only Routine PDL edit
Blood Modifiers			
Bile Salts			
ursodiol 300 mg cap	Actigal® Chenodal® Cholbam® Ocaliva® ursodiol tab Urso® Urso® Forte tab		LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year Routine PDL edit



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Phosphate Binders			
calcium acetate 667mg cap Fosrenol® Renagel® Renvela® tablet	Auryxia™ calcium acetate 667mg tab Eliphos® Ferric citrate Fosrenol® Powder Pack Phoslo® Phoslyra® Renvela® powder sevelamer carbonate Velphoro® chewable tab	LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year Routine PDL edit	
Bone Resorption Suppression and Related Agents			
Bisphosphonates			
alendronate tab	Actonel® alendronate soln Atelvia DR® Boniva® Binosto™ etidronate Fosamax® tab Fosamax® plus D ibandronate risedronate DR	LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year Routine PDL edit Bisphosphonates are indicated only for treatment of Paget's disease of bone OR the prevention and treatment of heterotopic ossification following total hip replacement or spinal cord injury.	
Calcitonins			
Fortical®	calcitonin-salmon nasal Miacalcin®	LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year Routine PDL edit	
Others			
raloxifene	Evista® *Forteo®	LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: Initial approval will be for 1 year Routine PDL edit plus *Clinical Criteria for Forteo® (teriparatide) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Treatment of osteoporosis in postmenopausal women who are at high risk for fracture; OR Increase of bone mass in men with primary or hypogonadal osteoporosis who 	



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			<p>are at high risk for fractures; OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Treatment of men and women with osteoporosis associated with sustained systemic glucocorticoid therapy at high risk for fracture; OR • Bone mineral density of -3 or worse; OR • Postmenopausal women with history of non-traumatic fracture(s); OR • Postmenopausal women with two or more of the following clinical risk factors: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Family history of non-traumatic fracture(s); OR ○ Patient history of non-traumatic fracture(s); OR ○ DXA BMD T-score ≤ -2.5 at any site; OR ○ Glucocorticoid use* (≥ 6 months of use at 7.5 dose of prednisolone equivalent); OR ○ Rheumatoid Arthritis; OR ○ Postmenopausal women with BMD T-score ≤ -2.5 at any site with any of the following clinical risk factors: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ More than 2 units of alcohol per day; OR ▪ Current smoker; OR ▪ Men w/primary or hypogonadal osteoporosis; OR ▪ Osteoporosis associated w/sustained systemic glucocorticoid therapy. <p>* Maximum duration of therapy is 24 months during a patient's lifetime for Forteo[®]</p> <p>Forteo[®] SA Fax Form</p>

Cardiac

Anticoagulants		
Low Molecular Weight Heparin includes FactorXA Inhibitor		LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year
enoxaparin	Arixtra [®] fondaparinux Fragmin [®] syringe & vial Lovenox [®]	Routine PDL edit plus
Oral Anticoagulants		Clinical Criteria for Anticoagulant, Oral
warfarin **Pradaxa [®] ****Xarelto [®]	Coumadin [®] *Eliquis [™] ***Savaysa [™] ****Xarelto [®] Starter Pack	*Eliquis[™] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May be approved for the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Reduction in risk of stroke and systemic embolism in non-valvular atrial fibrillation; OR



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			<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Prophylaxis of deep vein thrombosis (DVT), which may lead to pulmonary embolism (PE), in patients who have undergone hip or knee replacement surgery; OR○ Treatment of DVT and PE, and for the reduction in the risk of recurrent DVT and PE following initial therapy. <p>**Pradaxa[®]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• May be approved for the following:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ To reduce the risk of stroke and systemic embolism in patients with non-valvular atrial fibrillation; OR○ Treatment of deep venous thrombosis (DVT) OR pulmonary embolism (PE) in patients who have been treated with a Parenteral anticoagulant for 5-10 days; OR○ To reduce the risk of recurrence of DVT and PE in patients who have been previously treated.○ Prophylaxis of DVT and PE following hip replacement surgery <p>***Savaysa[™]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• May be approved for the following:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ To reduce the risk of stroke and systemic embolism in non-valvular atrial fibrillation; OR○ Treatment of deep vein thrombosis (DVT) and pulmonary embolism (PE) following 5-10 days of initial therapy with a parenteral anticoagulant. <p>**** Xarelto[®] (rivaroxaban)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• May be approved for the following:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ To reduce the risk of stroke and systemic embolism in patients with nonvalvular atrial fibrillation; OR○ Treatment of deep vein thrombosis (DVT), pulmonary embolism,(PE), and for the reduction in the risk of recurrence of DVT and of PE; OR○ Prophylaxis of DVT, which may lead to PE in patients undergoing knee or hip replacement surgery <p>Oral Anticoagulants SA Fax Form</p>
Antihypertensive Agents			
ACE Inhibitors			LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year
benazepril enalapril lisinopril ramipril	Accupril [®] Altace [®] captopril Epaned [™] soln		Routine PDL edit



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		fosinopril Lotensin [®] Mavik [®] moexipril Monopril [®] perindopril Prinivil [®] QbrelisTM quinapril ramipril trandolapril Univas [®] Vasotec [®] Zestril [®]	
ACE Inhibitors + Calcium Channel Blocker Combinations			
	amlodipine/benazepril	Lotrel [®] Tarka [®] trandolapril-verapamil ER	
ACE Inhibitors + Diuretic Combinations			
	benazepril/HCTZ lisinopril/HCTZ enalapril/HCTZ	Accuretic [®] captopril/HCTZ fosinopril/HCTZ Lotensin HCT [®] moexipril/HCTZ quinapril/HCTZ Vaseretic [®] Zestoretic [®]	
Angiotensin Receptor Blockers			*Clinical Criteria for EntrestoTM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diagnosis of chronic heart failure (NYHA Class II-IV); AND • Patient must be ≥ 18 years; AND • Left ventricular ejection fraction $\leq 40\%$ Quantity Limit = 2 per day for Entresto TM
	Diovan[®] *EntrestoTM losartan	Atacand [®] Avapro [®] Benicar [®] ByvalsonTM candesartan	



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		Cozaar [®] Edarbi [®] eprosartan mesylate irbesartan Micardis [®] Teveten [®] Valsartan	
Angiotensin Receptor Blockers + Calcium Channel Blocker Combinations			
	amlodipine/valsartan	Azor [®] amlodipine/valsartan/HCTZ Exforge [®] & Exforge [®] HCT Tribenzor [®]	
Angiotensin Receptor Blockers + Diuretic Combinations			
	losartan/HCTZ valsartan/HCTZ	Atacand HCT [®] Avalide [®] Benicar HCT [®] candesartan/HCTZ Diovan HCT [®] Edarbyclor [®] Hyzaar [®] irbesartan/HCTZ Micardis HCT [®] telmisartan/HCTZ Teveten HCT [®]	
Antihypertensives, Sympatholytics			Clinical Criteria for Antihypertensives, Sympatholytics
	Catapres[®] -TTS clonidine tab guanfacine methyldopa reserpine	Catapres [®] clonidine (transdermal) Clorpres [®] methyldopa/HCTZ Tenex [®]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A therapeutic failure of at least two preferred drug(s) within the same class.
Beta Blockers			*Clinical Criteria for Hemangeol[™]
	atenolol carvedilol labetalol metoprolol tartrate	acebutaolol Betapace [®] IR & AF [®] betaxolol bisoprolol	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diagnosis treatment of proliferating infantile hemangioma requiring systemic therapy; AND Patient's age must be between 5weeks and 5 months.



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propranolol tab/soln Sorine [®] sotalol AF sotalol HCL		Bystolic [®] Coreg [®] IR & CR [®] Corgard [®] *Hemangeol [™] Inderal [®] XL Innopran [®] XL Levator [®] Lopressor [®] metoprolol succinate nadolol pindolol propranolol LA Sectral [®] Sotylize [™] Tenormin [®] timolol maleate Toprol XL [®] Trandate [®] Zebeta [®]	
Beta Blockers + Diuretic Combinations			
atenolol/ chlorthalidone bisoprolol/HCTZ nadolol/bendroflumethiazide propranolol/HCTZ		Corzide [®] Dutoprol [®] Lopressor HCT [®] metoprolol/HCTZ Tenoretic [®] Ziac [®]	
Calcium Channel Blockers -Dihydropyridine			LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year
Afeditab CR [®] amlodipine Nifedical XL [®] nifedipine nifedipine ER		Adalat CC [®] felodipine ER isradipine nisoldipine nicardipine Norvasc [®] Procardia [®] Procardia XL [®] Sular [®]	Routine PDL edit



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Calcium Channel Blockers- Non-Dihydropyridine			
Cartia XT[®] diltiazem IR, ER q 12 hr & 24 hr Taztia XT[®] verapamil tab IR & ER		<i>Calan[®] IR & SR</i> <i>Cardizem[®] IR, CD & LA</i> <i>Isoptin SR[®]</i> <i>Matzim LA</i> <i>Tiazac[®]</i> <i>verapamil ER cap</i> <i>Verelan[®] & Verelan PM[®]</i>	
Direct Renin Inhibitors (includes combination)			
		<i>Tekamlo[®]</i> <i>Tekturna[®]</i> <i>Tekturna HCT[®]</i> <i>Twynsta[®]</i> <i>telmisartan/amlodipine</i>	
Lipotropics			
Bile Acid Sequestrants			LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year
cholestyramine powder reg & light colestipol tab Prevalite[®] Welchol[®] tab		<i>Colestid[®] granule/packet/tab</i> <i>colestipol HCl granules</i> <i>Questran[®] powder/powder Light</i> <i>Welchol[®] packet</i>	Routine PDL edit plus Therapeutic failure to no less than three-month trial of at least one preferred drug.
Cholesterol Absorption Inhibitor (CAI)			
Zetia[®]			
Fibric Acid Derivatives			
fenofibrate (generic Tricor[®]) gemfibrozil		<i>Antara[®]</i> <i>fenofibrate (generics for Antara[®], Fenoglide[®] & Lipofen[®])</i> <i>fenofibric acid</i> <i>Fenoglide[®]</i> <i>Fibricor[®]</i> <i>Lipofen[®]</i> <i>Lofibra[®]</i> <i>Lopid[®]</i> Tricor[®] <i>Triglide[®]</i> <i>Trilipix[™]</i>	



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HMG CoA Reductase Inhibitors and Combo (High Potency Statins)				
atorvastatin rosuvastatin simvastatin	amlodipine/atorvastatin Caduet [®] Crestor [®] Lipitor [®] Liptruzet [®] Livalo [®] Vytorin [®] Zocor [®]			
HMG CoA Reductase Inhibitors and Combinations (Statins)				
lovastatin pravastatin	Advicor [®] Altoprev [®] fluvastatin Lescol [®] and Lescol XL [®] Mevacor [®] Pravachol [®]	Clinical Criteria for Lipotropics, Other *JuxtapidTM <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Diagnosis of homozygous familial hypercholesterolemia (HoFH); AND• Prescriber must be certified with the JuxtapidTM REMS program; AND• Minimum age restriction of 18 years of age; AND• Patient has had treatment failure, maximum dosing with or contraindication to: statins, ezetimibe, niacin, fibric acid derivatives, omega-3 agents, and bile acid sequestrants. JuxtapidTM SA Fax Form **Simcor[®] <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Step edit requires a history of either a niacin or simvastatin product within the past 365 days ***Lovaza[®] <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Step edit requires trial and failure of any other lipotropic; OR• Documented high triglycerides of ≥ 500 mg/dL.		
Microsomal Triglyceride Transfer Protein Inhibitor				
	*Juxtapid TM			
Niacin Derivatives				
Niaspan [®]	niacin ER Niacor [®]			
Niacin Derivatives & HMG CoA Reductase Inhibitors Combo				
	*Simcor [®]			
Omega 3 Fatty Acid Agent				
	***Lovaza [®] ***omega-3 acid ethyl esters Vascepa [®]			



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Oligonucleotide Inhibitor	***Kynamro™	***Kynamro™ <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Diagnosis of homozygous familial hypercholesterolemia (HoFH); AND• Prescriber must be certified with the Kynamro™ REMS program; AND• Patient must be at least 18 years of age; AND• Patient has had treatment failure, maximum dosing with or contraindication to: statins, ezetimibe, niacin, fibric acid derivatives, omega-3 agents, and bile acid sequestrants. Kynamro™ SA Fax Form
Proprotein Convertase Subtilisin Kexin Type 9 (PCSK9) Inhibitors	*****Praluent® pens/syringes *****Repatha SureClick, syringes, & Pushtronex	LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: Three months for initial approval; six months for renewal Clinical Criteria for PCSK9 *****Praluent® Initial Criteria <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Patient is ≥ 18 years of age; AND• Prescribed by or in consultation with a specialist (including cardiologists, lipidologists, or endocrinologists); AND• Diagnosis of atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease (ASCVD); AND• Heterozygous familial hypercholesterolemia (HeFH) as confirmed by genotyping or by clinical criteria (“definite FH” using either the Simon Broome or WHO/Dutch Lipid Network criteria); AND• Prior treatment history with highest available dose or maximally-tolerated dose of high intensity statin (atorvastatin or rosuvastatin) AND ezetimibe for at least three continuous months with failure to reach target LDL-C (70 mg/dL for patients with clinical ASCVD and 100 mg/dL for patients with HeFH and no history of clinical ASCVD)• If the patient is not able to use a maximum dose of atorvastatin or rosuvastatin due to muscle symptoms, documentation of a causal relationship must be established between statin use and muscle symptoms. Documentation must demonstrate that the patient experienced pain, tenderness, stiffness, cramping, weakness, and/or fatigue and all of the following:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Muscle symptoms resolve after discontinuation of statin; AND



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			<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Muscle symptoms occurred when re-challenged at a lower dose of the same statin; AND○ Muscle symptoms occurred after switching to an alternative statin; AND○ Documentation ruling out non-statin causes of muscle symptoms (e.g., hypothyroidism, reduced renal function, reduced hepatic function, rheumatologic disorders, such as polymyalgia rheumatica, steroid myopathy, vitamin D deficiency, or primary muscle disease); OR○ The patient has been diagnosed with statin-induced rhabdomyolysis• The diagnosis should be supported by acute neuromuscular illness or dark urine AND an acute elevation in creatine kinase (usually >5,000 IU/L or five times the upper limit of normal)• If the patient failed to reach target LDL-C (<70 mg/dL for patients with clinical ASCVD and <100 mg/dL for patients with HeFH and no history of clinical ASCVD), adherence to maximally-tolerated statin and ezetimibe has been verified using pharmacy claims data and the patient is determined to be compliant for at least three consecutive months prior to the lipid panel demonstrating suboptimal reduction• Maximally-tolerated statin will continue to be used in conjunction with alirocumab; AND• Patient has not had a prior trial and failure of an alternative PCSK9 inhibitor; AND• Request is being made for the lowest approved alirocumab dose (75 mg every 2 weeks) to adequately treat the patient. Requests for an escalated dose (150 mg every 2 weeks) must contain a lipid panel documenting suboptimal reduction in LDL-C after at least 4 weeks (2 doses) of alirocumab at the lower (75 mg every 2 weeks) dose. <p><u>Renewal Criteria (may be requested by PCP)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lipid panel showing a further reduction in LDL-C compared to the labs prior to initiating alirocumab; AND• Continued adherence to maximally-tolerated statin dose established prior to the original alirocumab approval <p><u>Quantity Limit</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Two pens/syringes per month <p><u>*****Clinical Criteria for Evolocumab (Repatha™) Criteria</u></p> <p><u>LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:</u> Three months for initial approval; six months for renewal</p>



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			<p>INITIAL CRITERIA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Age \geq 18 years if diagnosis is<ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease (ASCVD); OR◦ heterozygous familial hypercholesterolemia (HeFH); OR• Age \geq 13 years if diagnosed with homozygous familial hypercholesterolemia (HoFH); AND• Prescribed by or in consultation with a specialist (including cardiologists, lipidologists, or endocrinologists); AND• Diagnosis of ASCVD, HeFH as confirmed by genotyping or by clinical criteria (“definite FH” using either the Simon Broome or WHO/Dutch Lipid Network criteria), or HoFH as confirmed by either:<ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ Documented DNA test for functional mutation(s) in both LDL receptor alleles or alleles known to affect LDL receptor functionality OR◦ A history of an untreated LDL-C concentration > 500 mg/dL and triglycerides < 300 mg/dL and both parents with documented untreated TC > 250 mg/dL; AND• Prior treatment history with highest available dose or maximally-tolerated dose of high intensity statin (atorvastatin or rosuvastatin) AND ezetimibe for at least three continuous months with failure to reach target LDL-C (70 mg/dL for patients with clinical ASCVD and 100 mg/dL for patients with HeFH or HoFH and no history of clinical ASCVD)• If the patient is not able to use a maximum dose of atorvastatin or rosuvastatin due to muscle symptoms, documentation of a causal relationship must be established between statin use and muscle symptoms. Documentation must demonstrate that the patient experienced pain, tenderness, stiffness, cramping, weakness, and/or fatigue and all of the following:<ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ Muscle symptoms resolve after discontinuation of statin; AND◦ Muscle symptoms occurred when re-challenged at a lower dose of the same statin; AND◦ Muscle symptoms occurred after switching to an alternative statin; AND◦ Documentation ruling out non-statin causes of muscle symptoms (e.g., hypothyroidism, reduced renal function, reduced hepatic function, rheumatologic disorders, such as polymyalgia rheumatica, steroid myopathy, vitamin D deficiency, or primary muscle disease); OR• The patient has been diagnosed with statin-induced rhabdomyolysis<ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ The diagnosis should be supported by acute neuromuscular illness or dark urine; AND



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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> an acute elevation in creatine kinase (usually >5,000 IU/L or five times the upper limit of normal). If the patient failed to reach target LDL-C (<70 mg/dL for patients with clinical ASCVD and <100 mg/dL for patients with HeFH or HoFH and no history of clinical ASCVD), adherence to maximally-tolerated statin and ezetimibe has been verified using pharmacy claims data and the patient is determined to be compliant for at least three consecutive months prior to the lipid panel demonstrating suboptimal reduction. Maximally-tolerated statin will continue to be used in conjunction with evolocumab: AND Patient has not had a prior trial and failure of an alternative PCSK9 inhibitor. <p>Renewal Criteria (May be requested by PCP)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lipid panel showing a further reduction in LDL-C compared to the labs prior to initiating evolocumab; AND Continued adherence to maximally-tolerated statin dose established prior to the original evolocumab approval. <p>Quantity Limit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ASCVD or HeFH: Two pens or syringes per month HoFH: Three pens or syringes per month
Platelet Inhibitors			
clopidogrel dipyridamole Effient® ticlopidine HCL	Aggrenox® ASA/dipyridamole Brilinta® *Durlaza ER™ Persantine® Plavix® **Zontivity™	<p>LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year</p> <p>Routine PDL edit plus</p> <p>Clinical Criteria for Platelet Inhibitors</p> <p>*Durlaza ER™</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aspirin is covered without SA; clinical reason as to why aspirin cannot be used. <p>** Zontivity™</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diagnosis of MI (myocardial infarction) or PAD (peripheral arterial disease); AND Patients must not have a history of stroke, TIA, ICH, GI bleed and peptic ulcer; AND Must have concomitant therapy with clopidogrel, unless patient has a 	



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				contraindication to clopidogrel in which case patient must have concomitant therapy with aspirin; AND <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Patient is 18 years of age or older; AND• Prescribed by or in consultation with a cardiologist.				
Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension Agents								
Inhaled Prostacyclin Analogues			LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year Routine PDL edit					
Ventavis®	Tyvaso®							
Oral Endothelin Receptor Antagonist			*Clinical Criteria for PDE-5 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Diagnosis of pulmonary hypertension in patients >18 years is required; AND• The prescriber must be a pulmonary specialist or cardiologist; AND• Must have a rationale for not taking the oral Revatio® to receive a SA for the injectable Revatio®.					
Letairis® Tracleer®	Opsumit®							
*Phosphodiesterase 5 Inhibitors (PDE-5)								
Adcirca™ sildenafil tab	Revatio® tab, susp & inj							
Prostacyclin Vasodilator and Receptor Agonist								
	Orenitram™ Uptravi®							
Soluble Guanylate Cyclase Stimulators								
	Adempas®							
Central Nervous System								
Alzheimer's Agents								
Cholinesterase Inhibitors						LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: Length of prescription (up to 3 months) Routine PDL edit		
donepezil OTD & tab Exelon® (transderm)	Aricept® ODT, tab Exelon® cap galantamine IR, ER tab/soln Razadyne® IR, ER rivastigmine cap & patch Namzaric® (donepezil/memantine)							
NMDA Receptor Antagonist								
Namenda® soln memantine tab	Namenda® Dose Pack /XR tab Namenda® tab memantine Dose Pack & soln							



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*Anticonvulsants			
Barbiturates			LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year
phenobarbital elixir/tab primidone		Mysoline [®]	Routine PDL edit plus
Benzodiazepines			*Clinical Criteria for Anticonvulsants:
clonazepam Diastat [®] rectal Diastat [®] AcuDiaI [™] rectal		clonazepam ODT diazepam [®] rectal diazepam [®] Device rectal Fin [®] tab Onfi [®] susp/tab	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A therapeutic failure of at least one preferred drugs <u>within the same class.</u>
Carbamazepine Derivatives			Onfi SA Fax Form
carbamazepine chewable tab/susp/tab carbamazepine ER (generic for Carbatrol [®]) oxcarbazepine tab Tegretol [®] XR Trileptal [®] susp		Aptiom [®] carbamazepine XR Carbatrol [®] Equetro [®] cap oxcarbazepine susp Oxtellar [™] XR Tegretol [®] susp/tab Trileptal [®] tab	
Hydantoins			
Dilantin [®] cap/Infatab phenytoin cap/ chew tab/susp phenytoin ext cap Phenytek [®]		Dilantin [®] susp Peganone [®]	
Succinimides			
ethosuximide cap/syrup		Celontin [®] Zarontin [®] cap/syrup	
Valproic Acid and Derivatives			
divalproex tab & sprinkle divalproex ER valproic acid		Depakene [®] cap/syrup Depakote [®] ER & sprinkle Stavzor [®]	



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Other Anticonvulsants			
felbamate susp/tab Gabitril® Lamictal® XR lamotrigine tab levetiracetam soln/ tab levetiracetam ER Vimpat® soln/tab topiramate tab & sprinkle zonisamide		Banzel® susp/tab Briviact® Felbatol® susp/tab Fycompa® susp/tab Keppra® soln/tab Keppra® XR Lamictal® ODT/ODT dose pk Lamictal® tab/dose pk Lamictal® XR dose pk lamotrigine tab dose pk lamotrigine ODT lamotrigine XR Potiga® Qudexy™ XR Sabril® powder pack/tab tiagabine Topamax® tab & sprinkle Trokendi™ XR Zonegran®	
Antidepressants			
Other			LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year
bupropion IR, SR & XL mirtazapine ODT & tab trazodone venlafaxine IR & ER cap	Aplenzin® Brintellix® desvenlafaxine ER desvenlafaxine fumarate ER Effexor® XR Emsam® transdermal Fetzima® Forfivo® XL Khedezla™ Marplan® Nardil® nefazodone Oleptro® ER		Routine PDL edit plus Clinical Criteria for Antidepressants <ul style="list-style-type: none">A therapeutic failure of at <u>least two preferred drugs within the same class.</u>



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		<i>Parnate[®]</i> <i>phenelzine</i> <i>Pristiq[®]</i> <i>Remeron[®] ODT & tab</i> <i>tranylcypromine sulfate</i> <i>Trintellix</i> <i>venlafaxine ER tab</i> <i>Viibryd[®] tab/dose pk</i> <i>Wellbutrin[®] IR, SR & XL</i>	
SSRI			
<i>citalopram soln/tab</i> <i>escitalopram tab</i> <i>fluoxetine cap/soln</i> <i>fluvoxamine</i> <i>paroxetine tab</i> <i>sertraline tab</i>		<i>Brisdelle[®]</i> <i>Celexa[®] tab</i> <i>escitalopram soln</i> <i>fluoxetine DR cap/tab</i> <i>fluvoxamine ER</i> <i>Lexapro[®] soln/tab</i> <i>Luvox[®] CR</i> <i>paroxetine CR</i> <i>Paxil[®] tab/susp & Paxil[®] CR</i> <i>Pexeva[®]</i> <i>Prozac[®] cap/weekly</i> <i>Sarafem[®]</i> <i>sertraline conc</i> <i>Zoloft[®] conc/tab</i>	
Antimigraine Agents			
<i>Relpax[®]</i> <i>sumatriptan succinate tab</i> <i>cartridge/nasal/vial/pen</i> <i>rizatriptan tab & MLT</i>		<i>almotriptan</i> <i>Alsuma[®]</i> <i>Amerge[®]</i> <i>Axert[®]</i> <i>Cambia[®]</i> <i>Frova[®]</i> <i>frovatriptan (generic Frova[®])</i> <i>Imitrex[®] cartridge/nasal/pen/tab/vial</i>	<u>LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:</u> 1 year Routine PDL edit



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		<i>Maxalt[®] tab & MLT</i> <i>MigranowTM Kit</i> <i>naratriptan</i> <i>OnzetraTM XsailTM</i> <i>Sumavel[®] Dosepro</i> <i>Treximet[®]</i> <i>Zecuity[®] patch</i> <i>ZembraceTM SymTouchTM</i> <i>Zomig[®] tab/nasal spray/ZMT</i>	
Antipsychotics			
Atypical			LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year Routine PDL edit plus Clinical Criteria for Antipsychotics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A therapeutic failure of at least one preferred drug within the same class. *Clinical Criteria NuplazidTM Routine PDL edit plus <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member is 18 years or older Indicated for the treatment of hallucinations and delusions associated with Parkinson's disease psychosis. Quantity Limit = 2 per day Antipsychotics In Children Less Than 18 Years SA Fax Form
aripiprazole soln & tab clozapine ODT/tab Geodon [®] IM Latuda [®] olanzapine ODT/tab olanzapine/ fluoxetine quetiapine tab risperidone ODT/ soln/tab Seroquel [®] IR/XR ziprasidone capsule	<i>Abilify[®] tab and IM</i> <i>aripiprazole ODT</i> <i>Clozaril[®]</i> <i>Fanapt[®] tab & titration pk</i> <i>Fazaclo[®]</i> <i>Geodon[®]</i> <i>Invega[®]</i> <i>*NuplazidTM</i> <i>olanzapine IM</i> <i>paliperidone ER</i> <i>Rexulti[®] tab</i> <i>Risperdal[®] ODT/soln/tab</i> <i>Saphris[®] SL</i> <i>Symbyax[®]</i> <i>VersaclozTM</i> <i>VraylarTM</i> <i>Zyprexa[®] tab/IM/Zydis</i>		
Typical			LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year Routine PDL edit
amitriptyline/perphenazine chlorpromazine	<i>haldol (injection)</i> <i>pimozide</i>		



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fluphenazine elixir/soln/tab haloperidol tab haloperidol lactate conc/IM loxapine perphenazine trifluoperazine thiothixene thioridazine		Moban [®] molindone Orap [®]	
Neuropathic Pain			
capsaicin OTC topical duloxetine 20, 30 & 60 mg gabapentin cap, tab & soln lidocaine 5% patch Lyrica [®] cap		Cymbalta [®] duloxetine 40 mg Gralise [™] Horizant [™] Irenka [™] Lidoderm [®] patch Lyrica [®] Soln Neurontin [®] cap, tab, soln Savella [™] & Savella [™] Dose Pak Qutenza Kit [®] (Topical)	LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year Routine PDL
Non-Ergot Dopamine Receptor Agonist			
pramipexole ropinirole HCl		Mirapex [®] IR & ER Neupro [®] pramipexole ER Requip [®] IR & XR ropinirole HCl ER	LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year Routine PDL edit
Sedatives / Hypnotics			
temazepam 15 & 30 mg		estazolam flurazepam Halcion [®] Restoril [®] temazepam 7.5 mg / 22.5 mg triazolam	LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: Length of the prescription (up to 3 months) Routine PDL edit plus
Sedatives / Hypnotics (Non-Benzodiazepine)			
zolpidem		Ambien [®] IR & CR Belsomra [®] Edluar [™]	*Clinical Criteria for Hetlioz[™] <u>Length of Authorization:</u> 6 months. For Renewal - must document therapeutic benefit and confirm compliance



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		eszopiclone *Hetlio TM Intermezzo [®] Lunesta [®] Rozerem [®] Silenor [®] Sonata [®] Zaleplon [®] zolpidem CR Zolpimist TM spray zolpidem (generic Intermezzo [®])	<ul style="list-style-type: none">For the treatment of Non-24-Hour Sleep-Wake Disorder (Non-24), ANDThe patient is completely blind, ANDPatient must be age 18 years of age or older.Quantity limit = 1 tablet per day.
Skeletal Muscle Relaxants			
baclofen chlorzoxazone cyclobenzaprine HCL dantrolene sodium methocarbamol tizanidine tab	Amrix [®] *carisoprodol *carisoprodol/ASA *carisoprodol/ASA/codeine cyclobenzaprine ER Dantrium [®] Fexmid [®] Lorzone [®] metaxalone orphenadrine citrate orphenadrine/ASA/caffeine Parafon Forte [®] DSC Robaxin [®] Skelaxin [®] *Soma [®] tizanidine cap Zanaflex [®]	<u>LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">1 year for chronic conditionsDuration of prescription (up to 3 months) for acute conditionsOne month per every 6 months for carisoprodol products Routine PDL edit plus <u>*Clinical Criteria for Carisoprodol Products</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">The patient is at least 16 years of age; ANDOnly approve for ACUTE, painful musculoskeletal conditions.Quantity limit = 4 tablets per dayLimit approval to one month supply (120 tablets)Additional authorization will not be granted for at least 6 months following the last day of the previous course of therapy. <u>Soma/carisoprodol SA Fax Form</u>	
Smoking Cessation			
bupropion SR Chantix [®] Chantix [®] DS PK nicotine gum/lozenge/patch	Nicoderm CQ [®] Patch Nicorette [®] Gum/Lozenges Nicolrol [®] Inhaler & NS Zyban [®]	<u>LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:</u> 6 months Routine PDL edit	



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*Stimulants/ADHD Medications																													
Amphetamine Products			LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year																										
**Adderall® XR amphetamine salts combo dextroamphetamine Vyvanse®			Routine PDL edit plus																										
			*Clinical Criteria for all Stimulants/ADHD Drugs Age Edits for Stimulants <ul style="list-style-type: none">Patients > 18 years old - a confirmed diagnosis of ADHD, ADD; OR other FDA approved indication is required.Each product listed below requires an SA for ages less than the FDA/PI indicated age.																										
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			**Step Edit for Adderall XR® If a trial & failure of a preferred product occurs and the physician requests Adderall XR® or amphetamine salts combo XR. The brand Adderall XR® is preferred over the generic.																										
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Focalin XR® All methylphenidate generic IR tablets			Aptensio™ XR Concerta® Daytrana®																										
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methylphenidate SR		dexmethylphenidate IR & XR Focalin® Metadate CD® Metadate ER® Methylin ER® Methylin® chew & soln methylphenidate chew & soln methylphenidate LA Ritalin® Ritalin LA® & SR® QuilliChew ER™ Quillivant™ XR susp	
Miscellaneous Products			Step Edit for**Kapvay® SR 12H If a trial & failure of a preferred product occurs and the physician requests Kapvay® SR 12H or clonidine ER then Kapvay® SR is preferred over the generic clonidine ER. ***Nuvigil™/Provigil®/modafinil: Length of Authorizations: 1 year for sleep apnea and narcolepsy; 6 months for shift work sleep disorder. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approvable diagnoses include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sleep Apnea: Requires documentation/confirmation via sleep study or that C-PAP has been maximized; OR ○ Narcolepsy: Documentation of diagnosis via sleep study; OR ○ Shift Work Sleep disorder: ONLY APPROVABLE FOR 6 MONTHS, work schedule must be verified and documented. Shift work is defined as working the all night shift. • Minimum age of 16 years for <u>Provigil®</u> • Minimum age of 17 years for <u>Nuvigil™</u>
Strattera® **Kapvay® SR 12H		armodafinil (generic Nuvigil™) clonidine ER (generic Kapvay®) guanfacine ER ***modafinil ***Nuvigil™ ***Provigil® Intuniv®	
Dermatologic			
Acne Agents, Topical			
Combo Benzoyl Peroxide , Clindamycin, Erythromycin Topical			LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year
benzoyl peroxide wash/cr/gel/lotion (OTC) Benzaclin® Benzaclin® Pump	Acanya™ w/pump Acne Clearing System® (OTC) Aczone® Gel and Gel Pump		Routine PDL edit plus Failure to respond to a therapeutic trial of at least two weeks of one preferred drug.



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clindamycin phosphate sol erythromycin solution Panoxyl-4 Acne Cr Wash (OTC)		Avar Cleanser, Medicated Pad Avar-E Avar-E LS Avar LS Cleanser, Medicated Pad Azelex [®] Benzamycin BP 10-1 Benzefoam [™] regular & Ultra [™] Benzepro benzoyl peroxide wash/cr/gel/ lotion/foam/towelette (RX) benzoyl peroxide 6% cleanser (OTC) BPO Kit Cleocin T [®] Clindacin [™] Pac Kit Clindagel [®] clindamycin/benzoyl peroxide (Benzac [®]) & (Duac [®]) generics clindamycin phosphate foam, gel, lotion, med swab clindamycin/tretinoin (generic Veltin [®]) Delos [™] Lotion [™] Duac [®] gel erythromycin gel, med. swab Evoclin [™] Inova [™] Lavoclen [™] Cleanser & Kit Neuac [™] topical/kit Onexton [™] gel & w/Pump Ovace Wash, Ovace Plus Cream ER, Cleanser ER, Lot, Shampoo, Wash Pacnex [®] HP & LP Panoxyl [®] 3% cr OTC Promiseb [®] Complete Rosula Cleanser Se BPO [®] Wash Kit & cleanser Sulfacetamide Cleanser ER	<u>Clinical Criteria for Dermatologic Acne Agents</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Prescriptions for patients over the age of 18 years will require a SA to determine diagnosis for treatment; AND• Products are intended for acne only. SA for a cosmetic indication cannot be approved.



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		Sulfacetamide Cleanser, Shampoo, Susp Sulfacetamide Sodium/Sulfur Cr, Susp, Sunscreen SSS 10-5 Foam Sulfacetamide/Sulfur/ Cleanser, Cleanser Kit, Lotion Med. Pad, Sulfacetamide / Sulfur / Urea Cleanser Sumadan Wash, Kit Sumadan XLT Sumaxin CP Kit Veltin [®]	
Retinoids/Combinations , Topical			
Differin [®] 0.1% cr/gel/lot Differin [®] 0.3% cr/gel/lot Retin [®] A 0.025%, 0.05, 0.1 % cr & 0.01, 0.025, % gel		Acnefree [®] Severe Kit Otc adapalene 0.1% cr/gel/lot adapalene 0.3% gel/gel w/pump Atralin [®] 0.05% gel Avage [®] 0.1% cr Avita [®] 0.025% cr/gel Epiduo [®] & Epiduo [®] Forte Gel *Fabior [™] 01% Foam Renova [®] 0.02% cr/cr pump Retin [®] -A Micro 0.04%, 0.1% gel Retin [®] -A Micro 0.08%, 0.04%, 0.1% pump Tazorac [®] Cr& gel tretinoin 0.025, 0.1% cr & 0.01, 0.025, 0.05% gel tretinoin microsphere 0.04% & 0.1% gel Ziana [®] gel	*Clinical Criteria for Fabior[™] Foam <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Patient must be between the ages of 12 and 18 years of age
Antifungal Topical			
ciclopirox soln clotrimazole cr (RX) clotrimazole cr (OTC) clotrimazole soln (OTC) clotrimazole-betamethasone cr ketoconazole shampoo ketoconazole cr		Alevazol [®] OTC Azolen [®] Tincture OTC Bensal HP [®] Ciclodan [®] Kit ciclopirox cr/shampoo/gel ciclopirox kit ciclopirox suspension	LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 6 MONTHS Routine PDL edit plus *Clinical Criteria for Topical Onychomycosis Agents (ciclopirox/Penlac[®], CNL-8[™], Jublia[®], Kerydin[™])



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miconazole oint (OTC) miconazole nitrate (OTC) miconazole powder (OTC) miconazole spray (OTC) miconazole cr (OTC) nystatin oint nystatin Cr nystatin powder nystatin-triamcinolone cr & oint terbinafine cr (OTC) tolnaftate cr (OTC) tolnaftate powder (OTC) tolnaftate aero pow (OTC) tolnaftate spray (OTC) tolnaftate soln (OTC)		<i>clotrimazole solution RX</i> <i>clotrimazole-betamethasone lotion</i> <i>*CNL 8[®] Kit</i> <i>Desenex[®] Aero Powder (OTC)</i> <i>econazole</i> <i>Ertaczo[®]</i> <i>Exelderm[®] cr</i> <i>Exelderm[®] soln</i> <i>Extina[®]</i> <i>Fungi-Nail[®] (OTC)</i> <i>Fungoid[®] Kit (OTC)</i> <i>Fungoid[®] (OTC)</i> <i>*Jublia[®]</i> <i>ketoconazole foam</i> <i>*Kerydin[®]</i> <i>Lamisil AT[®] cr, gel (OTC)</i> <i>Lamisil[®] Spray (OTC)</i> <i>Loprox[®] Shampoo/Kit</i> <i>Lotrimin AF[®] cr (OTC)</i> <i>Lotrimin Ultra[®] (OTC)</i> <i>Lotrisone[®] cr</i> <i>**Luzu[®]</i> <i>Mentax[®]</i> <i>Naftin[®] cr</i> <i>Naftin[®] gel</i> <i>Naftifine CR</i> <i>Nyata Kit[®]</i> <i>Nizoral A-D[®] Shampoo (OTC)</i> <i>oxiconazole cr (generic Oxistat[®] cr)</i> <i>Oxistat[®] cr</i> <i>Oxistat[®] Lotion</i> <i>Pediaderm AF[®]</i> <i>PediPak[®]</i> <i>*Penlac[®]</i> <i>Tinactin[®] Aero Powder (OTC)</i> <i>Tinactin[®] Spray (OTC)</i> <i>Vusion[®]</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Patient must have a diagnosis of onychomycosis AND• A failure of an adequate trial of ONE oral alternative - terbinafine (6 weeks for fingernail infections; 12 weeks for toenail infections); fluconazole (6 months); itraconazole (60 days for fingernail infections; 90 days for toenail); OR• An allergy or contraindication to oral terbinafine, fluconazole or itraconazole;AND• Patient is at least 18 years of age or older <p>** Clinical Criteria for Luzu[®] (luliconazole): Length of authorization – 3 months</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Patient must have a documented diagnosis of athlete's foot (tinea pedis) or ringworm (tinea cruris, tinea corporis); AND• A therapeutic failure with at least two (2) topical antifungal drugs; AND• Patient is at least 18 years of age or older• Maximum quantity = 60 grams <p><u>Topical Onychomycosis Agents SA Fax Form</u></p>



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Immunomodulators Atopic Dermatitis			
*Elidel [®]		*Protopic [®] tacrolimus	LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year Routine PDL edit plus Clinical Criteria for Atopic Dermatitis, Topical *Elidel[®] and Protopic[®] <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Patient must have a FDA approved diagnosis:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Atopic dermatitis○ Elidel[®]: mild to moderate for ages > 2 years.○ Protopic[®] 0.03%: moderate to severe for ages > 2 years.○ Protopic[®] 0.1%: moderate to severe for ages > 18 years; AND.• Failure to topical corticosteroids (i.e., desonide, fluticasone propionate, hydrocortisone butyrate, etc.)
Psoriasis, Topical			
calcipotriene soln		calcipotriene cr/oint Calcitrene [®] calcitriol Dovonex [®] *Enstilar [®] Foam Micanol [®] Sorilux [™] Taclonex [®] Taclonex [®] Scalp Vectical	LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year Routine PDL edit plus *Clinical Criteria for Enstilar[®] Foam Length of Authorization: 4 weeks <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Diagnosis of plaque psoriasis; AND• Minimum age of 18 years; AND• Requires a therapeutic failure to at least a two-week trial of the preferred drug within the same class.
Steroids			
Steroids, Topical Low Potency			LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year
alclometasone dipropionate cr/oint hydrocortisone/min oil/pet oint hydrocortisone acetate/urea hydrocortisone cr/gel/lot/oint hydrocortisone/aloe gel		aqua glycolic HC Capex [®] shampoo Derma-smoothe-FS desonate gel/cr/lot/oint Desowen [®] lot fluocinolone 0.01% oil Pediaderm [®] HC Pediaderm [®] TA Texacort [®]	Routine PDL edit plus Clinical Criteria for Steroids <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A therapeutic failure of at least <u>two preferred drugs</u> within the same class.



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Steroids, Topical Medium Potency		
fluticasone propionate cr/oint mometasone furoate cr/oint/sol	<i>betamethasone valerate foam</i> <i>clocortolone cr</i> <i>Cloderm[®]</i> <i>Cordran[®] tape</i> <i>Cutivate[®] cr/lot</i> <i>Dermatop[®] cr/oint</i> <i>Elocon[®] cr/oint/soln</i> <i>fluocinolone acetonide cr/oint/soln</i> flurandrenolide cr <i>fluticasone propionate lot</i> <i>hydrocortisone butyrate cr/oint/soln/</i> <i>emollient</i> hydrocortisone valerate cr/oint <i>Luxiq[®]</i> <i>Momexin[®]</i> <i>Pandel[®]</i> <i>prednicarbate cr/oint</i> <i>Synalar[®]</i> <i>Synalar TS[®]</i> <i>Ticanase kit[®]</i>	
Steroids, Topical High Potency		
betamethasone valerate cr/lot/Oint triamcinolone acetonide cr/lot/oint fluocinonide sol	<i>amcinonide cr/lot/oint</i> <i>betamet diprop & prop gly cr/lot/oint</i> <i>betamet diprop cr/foam/gel/lot/oint</i> <i>DermacinRx[®] SilaPak[™]</i> <i>DermacinrRX[®] Silazone</i> <i>desoximetasone cr/gel/oint/spray</i> <i>diflorasone diacetate cr/oint</i> <i>Diprolene[®] lot/oint</i> <i>DiproleneAF[®] cr</i> fluocinonide cr/ emollient/ gel/oint/soln <i>Halog[®] cr/oint</i> <i>Kenalog[®] aerosol</i> *Sernivo[™] <i>Silazone[®] II Kit</i> <i>Topicort[®] cr/gel/oint/spray</i>	*Clinical Criteria Sernivo[™] <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Routine PDL edit plus• A therapeutic failure of at least two preferred drugs within the same class.• Indicated for the treatment of mild to moderate plaque psoriasis• Minimum age restriction of 18 years of age• Length of Authorization: 4 weeks (Treatment beyond 4 weeks is not recommended.)



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		<i>Trianex[®] oint</i> <i>triamcinolone spray</i> <i>triamcinolone/dimethicone</i> <i>Vanos[®] cr</i> <i>Whytederm[®] Tdpak</i>	
Steroids, Topical Very High Potency			
clobetasol emollient clobetasol propionate cr/gel/oint/soln halobetasol propionate cr/oint		<i>ApexiconTM E</i> <i>clobetasol lot/shampoo</i> <i>clobetasol propionate foam/spray</i> <i>Clobex[®] lot/shampoo/spray</i> <i>Clodan[®] kit</i> <i>Halonate[®]</i> <i>Olux[®]</i> <i>Olux[®] -E</i> <i>Temovate[®] oint</i> <i>Ultravate[®] cr/lotion/oint</i> <i>Ultravate[®] PAC & Ultravate[®] X</i>	
Endocrine and Metabolic Agents			
Androgenic Agents (Testosterone – Topical)			
Androgel[®]		<i>Androderm[®]</i> <i>Axiron[®] soln</i> <i>Fortesta[®]</i> <i>Natesto Nasal Gel[®]</i> <i>Testim[®]</i> <i>testosterone (generic for Androgel[®])</i> <i>testosterone gel/packet/pump (generic for VogelxoTM)</i> <i>testosterone (generic for Fortesta[®])</i> <i>VogelxoTM gel/packet/pump</i>	LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year Routine PDL edit plus Failure to respond to a therapeutic trial of at least one week of one preferred drug
Antihyperuricemics			
allopurinol colchicine tabs Probenecid[®] probenecid & colchicine		<i>colchicine caps</i> <i>*Colcrys[®]</i> <i>Uloric[®]</i> <i>Zyloprim[®]</i>	LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year Routine PDL edit plus *Clinical Criteria for ColcrysTM <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Diagnosis of Familial Mediterranean Fever; OR• Acute Gout Flare:



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				○ Trial and failure of one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ NSAID or Corticosteroid	
Diabetes Hypoglycemics: Injectable Amylin Analogs					
		*SymLin [®] *SymLin [®] Pens		LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year *Clinical Criteria for Injectable Amylin Analogs <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Patient must have a history of at least a 90 day trial of insulin.• SymLin[®] is only indicated as adjunct therapy with insulin.• Patient meeting ALL of the following criteria may be approved:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Diagnosis of Type 1 or 2 diabetes; AND○ On insulin therapy; AND○ Failure to achieve adequate glycemic control (HbA1c ≤ 6.5%).	
Diabetes Hypoglycemics: Injectable Incretin Mimetics					
Byetta [®]		Bydureon TM Tanzeum TM Trulicity TM Victoza [®]		LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year Routine PDL edit	
Diabetes Hypoglycemics: Injectable Insulins					
Insulin Mix				LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year Routine PDL edit	
Humalog [®] Mix 50/50 vial		Humalog [®] Mix 50/50 Kwikpen			
Humalog [®] Mix 75/25 vial		Humalog [®] Mix 75/25 Kwikpen			
Humulin [®] 70/30 vial		Humulin [®] 70/30 pen (OTC)			
Novolog [®] Mix 70/30 pen/vial		Novolin [®] 70/30 vial (OTC)			
Insulin N					
Humulin [®] N vial (OTC)		Humulin [®] N pen Novolin [®] N vial (OTC)			
Insulin R					
Humulin [®] R vial		Novolin [®] R vial (OTC)			
Long-Acting Insulins					
Lantus [®] Solostar [®] &vial		Toujeo [®] Solostar [®]			
Levemir [®] pen/vial		Tresiba [®] FlexTouch [®] Pen			
Rapid-Acting Insulins					
Humulin 500 U/M pen & vial		Apidra [®] cartridge/Solostar/vial			
Humalog [®] vial		Humalog [®] Cartridge			



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Novolog [®] cartridge/Flexpen/vial		Humalog Kwikpen [®] Afrezza [®] cartridge (inhalation)	
Diabetes Oral Hypoglycemics			
Oral Hypoglycemics Alpha-Glucosidase Inhibitors			LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year
acarbose Glyset [®]	miglitol (generic Glyset [®]) Precose [®]		Routine PDL edit
Oral Hypoglycemics Biguanides			
metformin metformin ER (generic for Glucophage [®] XR)	Fortamet [®] Glucophage [®] IR & XR Glutmetza [®] Riomet [®] susp metformin ER (generic Fortamet [®]) metforman ER (generic Glumetza [®])		
Oral Hypoglycemics Biguanide Combination Products			
glyburide/metformin	glipizide/metformin Glucovance [®]		
Oral Hypoglycemics DPP-IV Inhibitors & Combination			
Janumet [®] Janumet XR [®] Januvia [®] Jentadueto [™] Tradjenta [™]	alogliptin (generic Nesina [™]) alogliptin/metformin (generic Kazano [™]) alogliptin/pioglitazone (generic Oseni [™]) Jentadueto XR [™] Kazano [™] Kombiglyze XR [™] Nesina [™] Onglyza [™] Oseni [™]		
Oral Hypoglycemics Meglitinides			
Starlix [®]	nateglinide Prandin [®] PrandiMet [™] repaglinide/metformin		



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Oral Hypoglycemics Second Generation Sulfonylureas			
glimepiride glipizide glipizide ER glyburide glyburide micronized	Amaryl [®] Diabeta [®] Glucotrol [®] Glucotrol XL [®] Glynase [®]		
*Oral Hypoglycemics Sodium Glucose Co-Transporter 2 Inhibitor (SGLT2)			*Clinical Criteria Oral Hypoglycemics: Sodium Glucose Co-Transporter 2
Invokana [™] Invokamet [™]	Farxiga [™] Glyxambi [®] Jardiance [®] Synjardy [®] Xigduo [™] XR		Length of Authorization: Initial approval for 6 months. Renewals for 1 year. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approve for Type 2 diabetics who have been compliant with and have not achieved adequate glycemic control with metformin; OR • Are intolerant to metformin; AND • Patient must be > 18 years of age. Quantity Limit = 1 tablet per day
Oral Hypoglycemics Thiazolidinediones			
pioglitazone	Avandia [®] Actoplus Met [®] IR & XR Actos [®] Avandaryl [®] Avandamet [®] Duetact [®] pioglitazone/metformin		
Erythropoiesis Stimulating Proteins: Epogen[®], Procrit[®] (Erythropoietin) & Aranesp[®] (Darbepoetin)			
Procrit [®]	Aranesp [®] Epogen [®] Mircera [®]		LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: for duration of the prescription up to 6 months Routine PDL edit <i>Omontys[®] is not PDL eligible, may be covered under medical benefit</i>
Glucocorticoids, Oral			
budesonide EC dexamethasone soln/tab hydrocortisone methylprednisolone tab ds pk methylprednisolone 4mg tab prednisolone sodium phosphate soln prednisolone soln/tab prednisone soln/tab/tab ds pk	Cortef [®] cortisone acetate dexamethasone elixir/intensol Dexpak [®] Entocort [®] EC Flo-Pred [®] Medrol [®] Tab ds pk & tab methylprednisolone 8,16 & 32mg tab Millipred DP [®] tab Ds Pk		LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year Routine PDL edit plus Trial and therapeutic failure of all preferred drugs



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		Millipred [®] soln/tab Orapred [®] ODT prednisolone sodium phosphate ODT prednisone intensol Rayos [®] DR tab Veripred [®]	
Growth Hormone			
Genotropin [®] Nutropin AQ [®] NuSpin [™]		Humatrope [®] cartridge/vial Norditropin cartridge [®] Norditropin FlexPro [®] & Nordiflex [®] Nutropin [®] Nutropin AQ [®] cartridge/vial Omnitrope [®] Saizen [®] cartridge/vial *Serostim [®] Tev-Tropin [®] Zomacton [®] **Zorbtive [®]	LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year <u>Clinical Criteria for PEDIATRIC Patients (18 years of age and under)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Prescriber is an endocrinologist, nephrologist, infectious disease specialist or HIV specialist or one has been consulted on this case; AND• The patient has open epiphysis and one of the following diagnoses<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Turner Syndrome; OR○ Prader-Willi Syndrome; OR○ Renal insufficiency; OR○ Small for gestational age (SGA) - including Russell-Silver variant and patient is < 2 years old; OR○ Idiopathic Short Stature (for request for renewal only (a) information is required to be approved); OR○ Growth hormone deficiency (physician should provide the required information below); OR○ Newborn with hypoglycemia and a diagnosis of hypopituitarism or panhypopituitarism.• Height is more than 2 SD (standard deviations) below average for the population mean height for age and sex, and a height velocity measured over one year to be 1 SD below the mean for chronological age, or for children over two years of age, a decrease in height SD of more than 0.5 over one year; AND• Growth hormone response of less than 10ng/mL to at least two provocative stimuli of growth hormone release: insulin, levodopa, L-Arginine, clonidine, or glucagon. <u>Clinical Criteria for Renewal (pediatrics):</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• For renewal, a response must be documented. Patient must demonstrate improved/normalized growth velocity. (Growth velocity has increased by at least 2 cm in the first year and is greater than 2.5 cm per year); AND• Patient height is more than 1 standard deviation (2") below mid-parental height



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			(unless parental height is diminished due to medical or nutritional reasons). Clinical Criteria for ADULTS (> 18 years of age) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Prescriber is an endocrinologist; AND• Diagnosis of growth hormone deficiency confirmed by growth hormone stimulation tests and rule-out of other hormonal deficiency, as follows: growth hormone response of fewer than five nanograms per mL to at least two provocative stimuli of growth hormone release: insulin, levodopa, L-Arginine, clonidine or glucagon when measured by polyclonal antibody (RIA) or fewer than 2.5 nanograms per mL when measured by monoclonal antibody (IRMA); AND• Cause of growth hormone deficiency is Adult Onset Growth Hormone Deficiency (AO-GHD), alone or with multiple hormone deficiencies, such as hypopituitarism, as a result of hypothalamic or pituitary disease, radiation therapy, surgery or trauma; OR• Other hormonal deficiencies (thyroid, cortisol or sex steroids) have been ruled out or stimulation testing would not produce a clinical response such as in a diagnosis of panhypopituitarism. *Serostim® <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Diagnosis of AIDS wasting or cachexia; AND• Has a documented failure, intolerance, or contraindication to appetite stimulants and/or other anabolic agents (both Megace® & Marinol®); AND• *Length of Authorization: 3 months initial; then 1 year. Renewal is contingent upon improvement in lean body mass or weight measurements. **Zorbitive® - Diagnosis of short bowel syndrome Growth Hormone SA Fax Form
Hereditary Angioedema (HAE) Agents			
Berinert® Cinryze™ Kalbitor®		Firazyr® Ruconest®	LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: Date of service (plus one additional supply for emergency use) Routine PDL edit plus



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			<p><u>Clinical Criteria for Blood Modifiers</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Must be prescribed by and under direct care of a board-certified allergist, immunologist or hematologist; AND• For prophylaxis the patient must:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Have HAE attacks that occur at least once monthly; AND○ Be disabled at least 5 days per month; AND○ Have history of attacks with airway compromise / hospitalization AND○ Have history of prior prophylaxis with danazol:<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ danazol contraindicated (pediatric, hepatic or renal impairment, pregnancy, breast-feeding, abnormal genital bleeding); OR▪ Developed danazol toxicity; OR▪ Diminished danazol efficacy. <p><u>FDA Indications and Quantity Limits</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Berinert®: Acute abdominal, facial or laryngeal HAE attacks. Four vials per attack (plus four for emergency).• Cinryze™: Prevention of HAE attacks. 20 vials per 34 days.• Kalbitor®: Acute HAE attacks in patients 12 years of age and older. Three vials per attack (plus three vials for emergency).• Firazyr® Acute attacks of (HAE) in adults 18 years of age and older. One syringe (plus one for emergency).• Ruconest® Acute attacks of hereditary angioedema (HAE) in people over 13 years of age. Two vials (plus two for emergency). <p>Hereditary Angioedema (HAE) SA Fax Form</p>



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Pancreatic Enzymes			
*pancrelipase *Zenpep® *Creon®	Pancreaze® Viokace® Pertzye® Ultresa®	<u>LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATION:</u> 1 year Routine PDL edit plus <u>Clinical Criteria for Pancreatic Enzymes</u> *Creon®, Pancrelipase, Zenpep®: diagnosis of pancreatic insufficiency due to cystic fibrosis or chronic pancreatitis or pancreatectomy. <ul style="list-style-type: none">For all drugs if member has a diagnosis of Cystic Fibrosis they do not have to try and fail a preferred.If member has a feeding tube then two different pancreatic enzymes can be approved for use together.	
Progestational Agents			
medroxyprogesterone acetate (tab only) norethindrone acetate progesterone cap & injection	Aygestin® Prometrium® Provera®	<u>LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:</u> 1 year Routine PDL edit plus Failure to respond to a therapeutic trial of at least one week of one preferred product.	
Progestins Used For Cachexia			
megestrol acetate	Megace® Megace® ES megestrol suspension ES	<u>LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:</u> 1 year Routine PDL edit	
Vaginal/Oral Estrogens			
Premarin® Vaginal cr Vagifem® Vaginal tab	Estrace® Vaginal cr Estring® Vaginal ring Femring® Vaginal ring Osphena® tab	<u>LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:</u> 6 months Routine PDL edit	
Gastrointestinal			
G I Antibiotics			
metronidazole tab Vancocin®	*Alinia® **Difcid® Flagyl® cap, tab & ER	Length of authorization: 1 year Routine PDL edit plus	



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	<p>metronidazole cap ***neomycin paromomycin Tindamax® tinidazole ****Xifaxan® vancomycin capsules vancomycin compounded oral solution</p>	<p>Clinical Criteria for Gastrointestinal Antibiotics</p> <p>*Alinia®:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tablets - For treatment of diarrhea caused by<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ <i>Cryptosporidium parvum</i> or <i>Giardia lamblia</i> and if the patient has had a trial on metronidazole or oral vancomycin or a clinical reason why it cannot be tried. Length of authorization = date of service Quantity limit = 6 tabs per rolling 30 days• Suspension:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ In patients ≥ 12 for treatment of diarrhea caused by <i>Cryptosporidium parvum</i> or <i>Giardia lamblia</i> and if the patient has had a trial on metronidazole or oral vancomycin or a clinical reason why it cannot be tried. Length of authorization = date of service <p>In patients < 12 for treatment of diarrhea caused by <i>Cryptosporidium parvum</i> or <i>Giardia lamblia</i> – no trial on metronidazole or oral vancomycin required. Length of authorization = date of service</p> <p>**Dificid®: diagnosis of <i>C. difficile</i> and if the patient has had a 10 day trial of oral vancomycin or metronidazole or a clinical reason why it cannot be tried; length of authorization = 30 days. Patient must be >17 years old.</p> <p>***Neomycin: diagnosis of hepatic coma – no preferred trial required. Length of authorization = one year.</p> <p>****Xifaxan®</p> <p><u>Length of authorization:</u> one year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Xifaxan 200mg tabs:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ For treatment of travelers' diarrhea caused by noninvasive strains of <i>E. coli</i>, in patients greater than or equal to 12 years of age - no prior authorization is required for up to nine tablets per claim. Length of authorization = 3 days.○ For treatment of hepatic encephalopathy – may be approved for patients age 12 and older regardless of quantity requested (document all treatments tried in the past for this diagnosis). 550mg tabs: <p><u>Length of Authorization:</u> 6 months for IBS with diarrhea</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Xifaxan 550mg<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Diagnosis of irritable bowel syndrome with diarrhea (IBS-D).



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			<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Patient age \geq 18 years○ Patient has had chronic IBS-D symptoms for at least 6 months; AND<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Patient has tried and failed at <u>least three agents from</u> the following○ Bulk producing agents (e.g., psyllium, fiber); AND○ Antispasmodic agents (e.g., dicyclomine, hyoscyamine); AND○ Antidiarrheal agents/opiates (e.g., loperamide, diphenoxylate/atropine).
Antiemetic/Antivertigo Agents			
Cannabinoids (delta-9THC derivatives)			LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 6 months
dronabinol	*Cesamet[®] **Marinol[®]		<p>Routine PDL edit plus</p> <p><u>Clinical Criteria for Cannabinoids</u></p> <p>*Cesamet[®]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Diagnosis of severe, chemotherapy induced nausea and vomiting, AND• Patient has tried and failed, has a contraindication to, an intolerance, or a medical reason not to try the combination of Emend[®] plus a 5HT3 receptor antagonist plus a corticosteroid; AND• Patient has tried and failed megestrol acetate oral suspension OR has a contraindication, intolerance, drug-drug interaction, or medical reason megestrol acetate cannot be used. <p>Dronabinol</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Diagnosis of severe, chemotherapy induced nausea and vomiting, AND• Patient has tried and failed, has a contraindication to, an intolerance, or a medical reason not to try the combination of Emend[®] plus a 5HT3 receptor antagonist plus a corticosteroid; AND• Diagnosis of AIDS-relating wasting Patient has tried and failed megestrol acetate oral suspension OR has a contraindication, intolerance, drug-drug interaction; OR• Medical reason megestrol acetate cannot be used.



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5HT3 Receptor Blockers			LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 3 months, unless otherwise noted
ondansetron ODT/tab		<i>*Anzemet®</i> <i>*Akynzeo®</i> <i>*granisetron</i> <i>*Granisol® soln/tab</i> <i>*Kytril®</i> <i>ondansetron soln</i> <i>*Sancuso® patch</i> <i>Zofran® ODT/soln/tab</i> <i>*Zuplenz® film</i>	Routine PDL edit plus *Clinical Criteria for 5HT3 Receptor Blockers: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Nausea or vomiting related to radiation therapy, moderate to highly emetogenic chemotherapy, or post-operative nausea and vomiting; ANDPatient has tried and failed therapeutic doses of, or has adverse effects or contraindications to, 2 different conventional antiemetics (e.g., promethazine, prochlorperazine, meclizine, metoclopramide, dexamethasone, etc.)
NK-1 Receptor Antagonist			LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: Length of chemotherapy regimen or a maximum of 6 months
		<i>**Emend® Bi Pak</i> <i>**Emend® Tri-fold pack</i> <i>**Emend® susp</i> <i>***Varubi™</i>	Routine PDL edit plus Clinical Criteria for NK-1 Receptor Antagonist **Emend® (aprepitant) <ul style="list-style-type: none">Emend® does NOT require treatment failure with preferred drugs when used for moderately or highly emetogenic chemotherapy. Quantity limits: One (1) Emend® BiPack (2-80mg tablets) per chemotherapy treatment or one (1) Emend® TriPack (1-125mg tablet and 2-80mg tablets) per chemotherapy treatment. ***Varubi™ Length of Authorization: Length of chemotherapy regimen or a maximum of 6 months <ul style="list-style-type: none">Varubi does NOT require treatment failure with preferred drugs when used for moderately or highly emetogenic chemotherapy.Indicated in combination with other antiemetic agents in adults for the prevention of delayed nausea and vomiting associated with initial and repeat courses of emetogenic cancer chemotherapy, including, but not limited to, highly emetogenic chemotherapy.



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Other			LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year, unless otherwise noted
meclizine metoclopramide ondansetron tab & ODT prochlorperazine **promethazine		Antivert® Compazine®supp/tab Compro® *Diclegis® dimenhydrinate hydroxyzine Metozolv® ODT metoclopramide ODT **Phenergan® prochlorperazine supp promethazine 50mg Rectal Reglan® Tigan® ***Transderm-Scop® trimethobenzamide Vistaril®	Routine PDL edit plus Clinical Criteria for Antiemetics/Antivertigo, Other *Diclegis® (doxylamine/pyridoxine) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patient must be pregnant **Promethazine <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patient must be 2 years or older ***Transderm-Scop® may be approved for 3 months if patient: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • has tried and failed at least one of the following: meclizine, promethazine, dimenhydrinate, diphenhydramine, or metoclopramide; OR • is unable to swallow or absorb oral drugs, OR • will be in an area/situation for an extended period of time where taking short acting agents would not be feasible • Antiemetic-Antivertigo SA Fax Form
GI Motility, Chronic			
*Amitiza® **Linzess™		***alosetron ***Lotronex® ****Movantik® *****Relistor® *****Viberzi™	LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 6 months Routine PDL edit plus Clinical Criteria *Amitiza® <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be 18 or older, AND • have one of the following diagnoses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Idiopathic Constipation with treatment failure of at least ONE product from TWO of the following classes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Osmotic Laxatives (examples: lactulose, polyethylene glycol (PEG), sorbitol); OR ▪ Bulk Forming Laxatives (examples: Metamucil® (psyllium), Citrucel®, fiber); OR ▪ Stimulant Laxatives (examples: bisacodyl, senna). ○ Constipation Predominant Irritable Bowel Syndrome (IBS-C) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Patient is female; AND



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			<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Treatment failure on at least ONE product from TWO of the following classes:<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Osmotic Laxatives (examples: lactulose, polyethylene glycol (PEG), sorbitol)▪ Bulk Forming Laxatives (examples: Metamucil® (psyllium), Citrucel®, fiber)▪ Stimulant Laxatives (examples: bisacodyl, senna)○ Opioid Induced Constipation in chronic NON-cancer pain<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Patient has tried and failed both PEG (i.e., Miralax®) AND lactulose <p>**<u>Linzess</u>®</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Diagnosis of Idiopathic Chronic Constipation or Constipation-Predominant Irritable Bowel Syndrome (IBS); AND• Patient must be at least 6 years of age; AND• Treatment failure on at least ONE agent from TWO of the following classes:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Osmotic Laxatives (examples: lactulose, polyethylene glycol (PEG), sorbitol); OR○ Bulk Forming Laxatives (examples: Metamucil® (psyllium), Citrucel®, fiber); OR○ Stimulant Laxatives (examples: bisacodyl, senna). <p>***<u>Lotronex</u>® (alosetron)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Diagnosis of severe, diarrhea predominant Irritable Bowel Syndrome; AND• Patient is female and at least 18 years of age; AND• Prescriber is enrolled in the Prometheus Prescribing Program for Lotronex®; AND• Patient has had chronic IBS symptoms for at least 6 months; AND• Patient has tried and failed at least three agents from the following<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ bulk producing agents (e.g., psyllium, fiber); OR○ antispasmodic agents (e.g., dicyclomine, hyoscyamine); OR○ antidiarrheal agents/opiates (e.g., loperamide, diphenoxylate/atropine, codeine). <p>****<u>Movantik</u>®</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• For the treatment of Opioid-Induced Constipation in adult patients with



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			<p>chronic NON-cancer pain with trial on both polyethylene glycol (PEG) AND lactulose without adequate response; AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A therapeutic failure after a trial with Amitiza® OR clinical reason as to why Amitiza cannot be used; AND• The patient is 18 years of age or older. <p>*****Relistor®</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Diagnosis of Opioid-Induced Constipation in<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Adult patients with chronic non-cancer pain; OR○ Adult patients with advanced illness; AND• Patient must be ≥ 18 years. <p>*****Viberzi™</p> <p><u>Length of Authorization:</u> 1 year</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Diagnosis of irritable bowel syndrome with diarrhea (IBS-D) ; AND• Patient age ≥ 18 years; AND• Patient has had chronic IBS-D symptoms for at least 6 months; AND<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Patient has tried and failed at least three agents from the following ; AND○ Bulk producing agents (e.g., psyllium, fiber); OR○ Antispasmodic agents (e.g., dicyclomine, hyoscyamine); OR○ Antidiarrheal agents/opiates (e.g., loperamide, diphenoxylate/atropine, codeine).• Patient should not have the following conditions:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Known or suspected biliary duct obstruction○ Sphincter of Oddi disease or dysfunction○ Alcoholism, alcohol abuse, alcohol addiction, or drink more than 3 alcoholic beverages daily○ History of pancreatitis; structural diseases of the pancreas, including known or suspected pancreatic duct obstruction○ Severe hepatic impairment (Child-Pugh Class C)○ Chronic or severe constipation, sequelae from constipation, or known or suspected mechanical gastrointestinal obstruction• Patients without a gallbladder who are receiving concomitant OATP1B1 inhibitors, or have mild (Child-Pugh Class A) or moderate (Child-Pugh Class B) hepatic impairment, should receive 75 mg twice daily.



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		Bowel Disorder SA Fax Form
H. Pylori Treatment		
Pylera[®]	<i>Omeclamox[®]-Pak</i> <i>lansoprazole/amoxicillin/clarithromycin</i> <i>Prevpac[®]</i>	LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 14 days Routine PDL edit
Histamine-2 Receptor Antagonists (H-2 RA)		
famotidine (OTC & RX) ranitidine tab/syrup (OTC & RX)	<i>cimetidine tab/syrup (OTC/RX)</i> <i>famotidine oral susp (OTC/RX)</i> <i>nizatidine cap/susp</i> <i>Pepcid[®] susp/tab (OTC/RX)</i> <i>ranitidine cap (OTC/RX)</i> <i>Zantac[®] syrup/ tab (OTC/RX)</i>	LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year Routine PDL edit
Proton Pump Inhibitors		
omeprazole (RX & OTC) pantoprazole	<i>Aciphex[®] DR tab/sprinkle</i> <i>Dexilant[®]</i> <i>esomeprazole magnesium</i> <i>esomeprazole strontium</i> <i>lansoprazole cap</i> <i>Nexium[®]</i> <i>omeprazole/sodium bicarbonate</i> <i>Prevacid[®] RX, OTC & Solutab</i> <i>rabeprazole DR tab</i> <i>Prilosec[®] Rx & Susp</i> <i>Protonix[®]</i> <i>Zegerid[®] cap, OTC & susp packet</i>	LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 12 weeks; unless patient meets an exception; then 1 year Routine PDL edit plus Clinical Criteria for PPIs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A therapeutic failure of no less than a three-month trial of at least two different preferred drugs within the same class. Exceptions that allow for a 1 year SA for PPIs (Exceptions apply to the duration of the SA only. PDL edit still prevails before a non-preferred may be approved) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Erosive Esophagitis Active GI Bleed Zollinger-Ellison Syndrome Greater than 65 years of age Under the care of a Gastroenterologist and has ruled out a nonsecretory condition Proton Pump Inhibitors SA Fax Form



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Ulcerative Colitis Oral and Rectal Preparations (5-ASA DERIVATIVES)			
Ulcerative Colitis – Oral		LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year Routine PDL edit *Giazo is limited to an 8 week supply	
Apriso® Pentasa® sulfasalazine DR & IR	Asacol® HD Azulfidine® IR & DR balsalazide disodium Colazal® Delzicol™ Dipentum *Giazo™ Lialda® mesalamine (generic Asacol® HD) Uceris™		
Ulcerative Colitis – Rectal			
Canasa® rectal supp mesalamine enema	mesalamine kit Rowasa® enema/kit SFRowasa® Uceris®		
Genitourinary			
Alpha-Blockers and Androgen Hormone Inhibitors For Benign Prostatic Hypertrophy (BPH)			
Alpha-Blockers for BPH		LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year Routine PDL edit plus	
alfuzosin tamsulosin HCL	Flomax® Rapaflo® Uroxatral®		
Androgen Hormone Inhibitors for BPH			
finasteride	Avodart® Dutasteride Dutasteride./tamsulosin Jalyn® Proscar®		
Phosphodiesterase (PDE) 5 Inhibitor for BPH		**Step edit for <u>Cialis®</u> - must try and fail both Alpha Blockers and Androgen Inhibitors for BPH and the prescriber must attest that the patient is not on the state list of sex offenders. The patient must have had a consult or been evaluated by an Urologist. <u>Cialis SA Fax Form</u>	
	**Cialis®		



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Urinary Antispasmodics (Bladder Relaxant)		
oxybutynin tab/syrup Toviaz™ VESicare®	darifenacin ER (generic Enablex®) Detrol® & Detrol® LA Ditropan® & *Ditropan® XL Enablex® flavoxate Gelnique™ gel Myrbetriq™ *oxybutynin ER Oxytrol® transdermal Sanctura XR trospium IR & ER tolterodine IR & ER	LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year Routine PDL edit plus *Clinical Criteria for Oxybutynin ER, Ditropan XL®: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Allow PDL exception for children age 6-18 with a diagnosis of neurogenic bladder.



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Immunological Agents		
Multiple Sclerosis		
Avonex[®] Avonex[®] Adm Pack Betaseron[®] Copaxone 20 mg syringe[®] **Gilenya[®] Rebif[®] SQ	*Ampyra[®] Aubagio[®] Copaxone[®] 40 mg syringe[®] Extavia[®] Kit GlatopaTM Plegridy[®] Rebif[®] Rebi dose Pen[®] TecfideraTM ***ZinbrytaTM	<p><u>LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:</u> 1 year</p> <p>Routine PDL edit plus</p> <p>**Gilenya[®] is the preferred oral agent after a trial on a preferred Injectable agent. To clarify: to receive one of the other non-preferred oral agents both an Injectable preferred and Gilenya[®] must be tried and failed.</p> <p>*Clinical Criteria for Ampyra[®]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The patient has a diagnosis of Multiple Sclerosis and a gait disorder, AND • Patient has no history of seizures; AND • Patient's Creatinine Clearance [CrCL] ≥ 50 mL/min; AND • If after 8 week trial the prescriber states that the patient showed improvement or that the drug was effective (by improved Timed 25-foot Walk), the patient may receive authorization for Ampyra[®] for one year. <p>***Clinical Criteria for Zinbryta</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indicated for the treatment of relapsing forms of multiple sclerosis (MS). • Minimum age of 17 years • Zinbryta is contraindicated in members with pre-existing hepatic disease or hepatic impairment. • Quantity Limit = 1 ml per 28 days (0.036 ml per day). <p><u>Ampyra SA Fax Form</u></p>
Cytokine and CAM Antagonists And Related Agents		
Enbrel[®] Humira[®]	Actemra[®] SQ Cimzia[®] & Cimzia[®] Syringe Kit CosentyxTM Kineret[®] Otezla[®] Otrexup[®] inj Orencia[®] RasuvoTM inj Simponi[®] Taltz[®]	<p><u>LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATION:</u> 1 year</p> <p>Routine PDL edit plus Clinical Criteria (see Appendix A)</p> <p><u>Cytokine and CAM Antagonists Appendix A</u></p> <p><u>Otrexup SA Fax Form</u></p> <p><u>Xeljanz SA Fax Form</u></p>



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		Xeljanz TM Xeljanz TM XR	
Ophthalmic			
Antibiotics			
	ciprofloxacin drops erythromycin gentamicin drops/oint Moxeza [®] drops neomycin/polymix/gramicidin ofloxacin drops polymyxin/trimethoprim sulfacetamide soln tobramycin Vigamox [®] drops	AzaSite TM drop bacitracin bacitracin/polymyxin b sulfate oint Besivance [®] drops Bleph [®] -10 Ciloxan [®] drops/oint Garamycin [®] drops/oint gatifloxacin 0.5% soln Ilotycin [®] levofloxacin drops Natacyn [®] neomycin/bacitracin/polymyxin oint Neosporin [®] Ocuflox [®] drops Polytrim [®] sulfacetamide oint Tobrex [®] drops/oint Zymaxid [®] drops	<u>LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS:</u> Date of service only; no refills Routine PDL edit
Antibiotic/Steroid Combinations			
	neomycin/polymyxin/dexamethasone oint/susp Tobradex [®] oint/susp	Blephamide [®] Blephamide [®] S.O.P. Maxitrol [®] oint/susp neomycin/bacitracin/poly/HC neomycin/polymyxin/HC Pred-G [®] oint/susp sulfacetamide/prednisolone Tobradex [®] ST Tobramycin/dexamethasone susp Zylet [®]	<u>LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATION:</u> Date of service only; no refills Routine PDL edit



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Antihistamines/Mast Cell Stabilizers			
Antihistamines			LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year Routine PDL edit *Ilevro™ is limited to 1 bottle plus 1 refill
Alaway OTC® ketotifen fumarate Pataday® drops Pazeo® Zaditor® OTC drops	azelastine drops Bepreve® Elestat® drops Emadine® drop epinastine 0.05% eye drops *Ilevro™ 0.3% drops Lastacast® drops olopatadine Optivar® drops Patanol® drops		
Mast Cell Stabilizers			
cromolyn sodium	Alocril® drops Alomide® drops		
Anti-inflammatory			
NSAIDS			LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: Date of service only; no refills Routine PDL edit *Ilevro™ is limited to 1 bottle plus 1 refill
diclofenac sodium flurbiprofen sodium ketorolac 0.4%& 0.5%	Acular® 0.5% & LS® 0.4% Acuvail® bromfenac 0.09% Ilevro™ 0.3% drops Nevanac® Ocufen® Prolensa™		
Corticosteriods			
Durezol® fluorometholone prednisolone acetate dexamethasone	Alrex™ Flarex® FML®, FML Forte® & FML® S.O.P. Lotemax™ drops/gel/oint Maxidex® Omnipred® Pred Forte® & Pred Mild® prednisolone sod phosphate Vexol®		



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Glaucoma Agents			
Alpha 2 Adrenergic Agents			LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year
Alphagan P[®] 0.1 & 0.15% brimonidine 0.2%		<i>apraclonidine 0.5% drops</i> <i>brimonidine tartrate 0.15%</i> <i>Iopidine[®] 0.5% & 1%</i>	Routine PDL edit
Beta Blockers			
Betoptic-S[®] 0.25% carteolol 1% Combigan[®] levobunolol 0.5% metipranolol 0.3% timolol maleate		<i>Betagan[®] 0.5%</i> <i>betaxolol 0.5%</i> <i>Istalol[®] 0.5%</i> <i>Timoptic[®] drops 0.25% & 0.5%</i> <i>Timoptic[®] XE 0.25% & 0.5% sol-gel</i>	
Carbonic Anhydrase Inhibitors			
Azopt[®] 1% dorzolamide dorzolamide/timolol Simbrinza[™]		<i>Cosopt[®] 0.5%-2%</i> <i>Cosopt[®] PF</i> <i>Trusopt[®] 2%</i>	
Prostaglandin Analogs			
latanoprost Travatan Z[®]		<i>bimatoprost</i> <i>Lumigan[®] 0.03% & 0.01%</i> <i>Rescula[®]</i> <i>travoprost 0.004%</i> <i>Xalatan[®] 0.005%</i> <i>Zioptan[™]</i>	
Respiratory			
Anti-Allergens, Oral			
		<i>*Grastek[®] SL</i> <i>**Oralair[®] SL</i> <i>***Ragwitek[™] SL</i>	LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year Routine PDL edit plus Clinical Criteria for *Grastek[®] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age must be between 5 through 65 years, AND • Indicated for grass pollen-induced allergic rhinitis with or without conjunctivitis; AND



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			<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Must have evidence of a confirmed by positive skin test or <i>in vitro</i> testing for pollen-specific IgE antibodies for Timothy grass or cross-reactive grass pollens; AND• Must have had a treatment failure with or contraindication to antihistamines and montelukast; AND• Clinical reason as to why allergy shots cannot be used.• Quantity Limit = 1 sublingual tablet per day. <p><u>Clinical Criteria for **Oralair®</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Age must be between 10 through 65 years; AND• Indicated for grass pollen-induced allergic rhinitis with or without conjunctivitis; AND• Must have evidence of a confirmed positive skin test or in vitro testing for pollen-specific IgE antibodies for Sweet Vernal, Orchard, Perennial Rye, Timothy, and Kentucky Blue Grass Mixed Pollens; AND• Must have had a treatment failure with or contraindication to antihistamines and montelukast, AND• Clinical reason as to why allergy shots cannot be used. <p><u>Clinical Criteria for ***Ragwitek™</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Age must be between 18 through 65 years; AND• Indicated for immunotherapy for the treatment of short ragweed pollen-induced allergic rhinitis, with or without conjunctivitis; AND• Must have evidence of a confirmed by positive skin test or in vitro testing for pollen-specific IgE antibodies for short ragweed pollen; AND• Must have had a treatment failure with or contraindication to antihistamines and montelukast; AND• Clinical reason as to why allergy shots cannot be used.
Antihistamines: First and Second Generation			
First Generation Antihistamines		LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year	
Generic only class	<i>All Brands require a SA</i>		Routine PDL edit



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Second Generation Antihistamines and Combinations																										
cetirizine liquid 1mg/1mL (RX/OTC) cetirizine tabs OTC loratadine tab/syrup OTC	<i>Allegra-D[®]</i> <i>cetirizine chew tab (OTC)</i> <i>cetirizine liquid 5mg/5mL (OTC)</i> <i>cetirizine D tab (OTC)</i> <i>Clarinet[®]</i> <i>Clarinet-D[®]</i> <i>Claritin[®]</i> <i>Claritin[®] D</i> <i>desloratadine ODT</i> <i>fexofenadine</i> <i>fexofenadine/PSE ER</i> <i>fexofenadine suspension</i> <i>levocetirizine</i> <i>loratadine ODT</i> <i>loratadine D 12 & 24 hr</i> <i>Xyzal[®]</i>																									
Beta-Adrenergic Agents																										
Long Acting Beta Adrenergic s (LABA) Metered Dose Inhalers or Nebulizers		LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year Routine PDL edit plus **Clinical Criteria for agents that contain a LABA Length of Authorization: 3 months for Clinical Criteria (see next page) Each product listed below will require a SA for ages less than the FDA/PI indicated age. Please see table on the next page																								
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			Brovana [®]	Children & Adolescents < 18	COPD only
			Dulera [®]	Children < 12	Asthma only
			Foradil [®] Aerolizer	Children < 5	Asthma & COPD
			Perforomist [®]	Children & Adolescents < 18	COPD only
			Serevent [®] Diskus	Children < 4	Asthma & COPD
			Symbicort [®]	Children < 12	Asthma & COPD
			Striverdi [®] Respimat	Children < 18 years	COPD only
			Stiolto [™] Respimat [®]	Children < 18 years	COPD only
Short Acting Metered Dose Inhalers or Devices					
Proair [®] HFA Proventil [®] HFA	ProAir [®] RespiClick Ventolin [®] HFA Xopenex [®] HFA				
Short Acting Nebulizers					
albuterol sulfate (premix dosage) metaproterenol	levalbuterol soln Xopenex [®]				
COPD: Bronchodilators and Phosphodiesterase 4 (PDE4) Inhibitors					
Atrovent HFA [®] Combivent [®] Respimat ipratropium bromide soln ipratropium/albuterol nebs Spiriva [®]	Anoro [™] Ellipta [®] Bevespi Aerosphere [™] Daliresp [®] Incruse [™] Ellipta [®] Tudorza [™] Stiolto Respimat [™] Spiriva [®] Respimat Seebri Neohaler [™] Utibron Neohaler [™]	LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATION: 1 year Routine PDL edit plus Clinical Criteria for Daliresp [®] <ul style="list-style-type: none">If the patient has a diagnosis of severe COPD associated with chronic bronchitis and a history of exacerbations; ANDTrial/failure on at least one first-line or second-line agent (inhaled anticholinergics, long acting beta agonists or inhaled corticosteroids); ANDAdjunctive therapy (Daliresp[®] must be used in conjunction with first-line or second-line agent).			
Corticosteroids: Inhaled and Nasal Steroids					
Inhaled Corticosteroids: Combination Products (Glucocorticoid and Long Acting Beta Adrenergic)			LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year		
*Advair [®] Diskus *Dulera [®] *Symbicort [®]	Advair [®] HFA Breo [®] Ellipta [™]	Routine PDL edit			



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Inhaled Corticosteroids: Metered Dose Inhalers			
Asmanex [®] Flovent [®] Diskus & HFA Pulmicort Flexhaler [®] QVAR [®]		Alvesco [®] Aerospan [™] Arnuit [™] Ellipta [®] Asmanex HFA [®]	
Inhaled Corticosteroids: Nebulizer Solution			
Pulmicort[®] Respules		Budesonide	
Nasal Steroids			
fluticasone		Beconase AQ [®] budesonide (generic for Rhinocort [®] Aqua) budesonide (generic Rhinocort [®] Allergy OTC) Children's Qnasl [™] Dymista [™] Flonase [®] flunisolide mometasone(generic Nasonex [®]) Nasonex [®] Omnaris [®] Qnasl [™] Rhinocort Aqua [®] Rhinocort [®] Allergy OTC Ticanase [®] triamcinolone acetonide Veramyst [®] Zetonna [™]	
Cough and Cold products			
Ala-Hist DM benzonatate cap codeine/ promethazine guaifenesin/codeine phosphate hydrocodone/ homatropine Iophen-C NR		All other Legend cough and cold products are non-preferred Tessalon [®] perle	<u>LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATION:</u> Date of Service Only Routine PDL edit <u>Clinical Edit for Cough and Cold Agents</u> – Children under the age of 6 years are not eligible for cough and cold products.



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	Preferred Agents	Non-Preferred Agents	SA Criteria
	Lohist-DM syrup phenylephrine HCl/promethazine HCl promethazine DM syrup Tusnel [®] Pediatric Drops		
	Epinephrine, Self-Injected		
	epinephrine Epipen [®] Epipen [®] Jr		LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year Routine PDL edit
	Intranasal Antihistamines		
	Patanase [®]	Astepro [®] 0.15% azelastine 0.1% olopatadine	LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year Routine PDL edit
	Leukotriene Receptor Antagonists		
	montelukast tabs/chew tabs	Accolate [®] Singulair [®] tabs/chew tabs/granules montelukast granules zafirlukast Zyflo [™] Zyflo CRT [™]	LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATIONS: 1 year Routine PDL edit