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Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing Preferred Drug List (PDL) Effective April 1, 2024

Prior Authorization Forms: Available online at <https://hcpf.colorado.gov/pharmacy-resources>

Prior Authorization (PA) Requests: Colorado Pharmacy Call Center Phone Number: 800-424-5725 | Fax Number: 800-424-5881

Electronic Prior Authorization (ePA): Electronic Prior Authorization Requests are supported by CoverMyMeds and may be submitted via Electronic Health Record (EHR) systems or through the CoverMyMeds provider portal.

The PDL applies to Medicaid fee-for-service members. It does not apply to members enrolled in Rocky Mountain Health HMO or Denver Health Medicaid Choice.

Initiation of pharmaceutical product subject to Prior Authorization: Please note that starting the requested drug, including a non-preferred drug, prior to a PA request being reviewed and approved, through either inpatient use, by using office “samples,” or by any other means, does not necessitate Medicaid approval of the PA request.

Covid-19 Related Treatment Override: Providers may call the Magellan Help Desk at 1-800-424-5725 to request a prior authorization override if a medication is related to the treatment or prevention of COVID-19 or the treatment of a condition that may seriously complicate the treatment of COVID-19.

Health First Colorado, at section 25.5-5-501, C.R.S., requires the generic of a brand name drug be prescribed if the generic is therapeutically equivalent to the brand name drug. Exceptions to this rule are: 1) If the brand name drug is more cost effective than the generic as determined by the Department, 2) If the patient has been stabilized on a brand name drug and the prescriber believes that transition to a generic would disrupt care, and 3) If the drug is being used for treatment of mental illness, cancer, epilepsy, or human immunodeficiency virus and acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

Please see the [Brand Favored Product List](#) for a list of medications where the brand name drug is more cost effective than the generic drug.

A provider may request a step therapy exception for the treatment of a serious or complex medical condition pursuant to section 25.5-4-428, C.R.S. Serious or complex medical condition means the following medical conditions: serious mental illness, cancer, epilepsy, multiple sclerosis, or human immunodeficiency virus (HIV)/ acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS), or a condition requiring medical treatment to avoid death, hospitalization, or a worsening or advancing of disease progression resulting in significant harm or disability. The step therapy exception request form is available by visiting <https://hcpf.colorado.gov/pharmacy-resources>

**Brand Name Required = BNR, Prior Authorization = PA, AutoPA = authorization can be automated at the point-of-sale transaction if criteria are met
Preferred drug list applies only to prescription (RX) products, unless specified.**

Preferred Agents	Non-preferred Agents	Prior Authorization Criteria (All Non-preferred products will be approved for one year unless otherwise stated.)
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I. Analgesics

Therapeutic Drug Class: **NON-OPIOID ANALGESIA AGENTS - Oral** - *Effective 4/1/2024*

No PA Required	PA Required	
Duloxetine 20 mg, 30 mg, 60 mg capsule Gabapentin capsule, tablet, solution Pregabalin capsule SAVELLA (milnacipran) tablet, titration pack	CYMBALTA (duloxetine) capsule DRIZALMA (duloxetine DR) sprinkle capsules Duloxetine 40 mg capsule GRALISE (gabapentin ER) tablet Gabapentin ER tablet HORIZANT (gabapentin ER) tablet LYRICA (pregabalin) capsule, solution, CR tablet NEURONTIN (gabapentin) capsule, tablet, solution Pregabalin solution, ER tablet	<p>Non-preferred oral non-opioid analgesic agents may be approved if member meets all of the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member has trialed and failed duloxetine (20mg, 30mg, or 60mg) AND has trialed and failed gabapentin OR pregabalin capsule (Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 8-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction) <p>Prior authorization will be required for Lyrica (pregabalin) capsule dosages > 600mg per day (maximum of 3 capsules daily) and gabapentin dosages > 3600mg per day.</p>

Therapeutic Drug Class: **NON-OPIOID ANALGESIA AGENTS - Topical** - *Effective 4/1/2024*

No PA Required	PA Required	
Lidocaine patch LIDODERM (lidocaine) patch	Lidocaine patch (Puretek) ZTLIDO (lidocaine) topical system	<p>Non-preferred topical products require a trial/failure with an adequate 8-week trial of gabapentin AND pregabalin AND duloxetine AND a preferred lidocaine patch. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with an 8-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p> <p>Lidocaine patch (Puretek manufacturer only) may be approved if the following criteria are met:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member is ≥ 18 years of age AND Member has had an adequate 8-week trial and failure of: gabapentin AND pregabalin AND duloxetine AND a preferred lidocaine patch. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with an 8-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction AND Prescriber has provided a justification of clinical necessity indicating that an alternative generic lidocaine patch formulation cannot be used.

Therapeutic Drug Class: **NON-STEROIDAL ANTI-INFLAMMATORIES (NSAIDs) - Oral** - Effective 4/1/2024

No PA Required	PA Required	
<p><i>Generic changes effective 07/31/2023</i></p>		
Celecoxib capsule	ARTHROTEC (diclofenac sodium/ misoprostol) tablet	<p>DUEXIS (ibuprofen/famotidine) or VIMOVO (naproxen/esomeprazole) may be approved if the member meets the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trial and failure[‡] of all preferred NSAIDs at maximally tolerated doses AND • Trial and failure[‡] of three preferred proton pump inhibitors in combination with NSAID within the last 6 months AND • Has a documented history of gastrointestinal bleeding
Diclofenac potassium 50 mg tablet	CELEBREX (celecoxib) capsule	
Diclofenac sodium EC/DR tablet	DAYPRO (oxaprozin) caplet	
Ibuprofen suspension, tablet (RX)	Diclofenac potassium capsule, powder pack	<p>Diclofenac potassium 25 mg immediate-release tablets may be approved if the following criteria are met:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member is ≥ 18 years of age AND • Member does not have any of the following medical conditions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ History of recent coronary artery bypass graft (CABG) surgery ○ History of myocardial infarction ○ Severe heart failure ○ Advanced renal disease ○ History of gastrointestinal bleeding
Indomethacin capsule, ER capsule	Diclofenac potassium 25 mg tablet	
Ketorolac tablet*	Diclofenac sodium ER/SR tablet	
Meloxicam tablet	Diclofenac sodium/misoprostol tablet	
Nabumetone tablet	Diflunisal tablet	<p>AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member has trial and failure[‡] of four preferred oral NSAIDs at maximally tolerated doses
Naproxen DR/ER, tablet (RX)	DUEXIS (ibuprofen/famotidine) tablet	
Naproxen suspension	ELYXYB (celecoxib) solution	
Sulindac tablet	Etodolac capsule; IR, ER tablet	<p>All other non-preferred oral agents may be approved following trial and failure[‡] of four preferred agents. [‡]Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, contraindication to therapy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interactions.</p>
	FELDENE (piroxicam) capsule	
	Fenoprofen capsule, tablet	<p>*Ketorolac tablets quantity limits: 5-day supply per 30 days and 20 tablets per 30 days</p>
	Flurbiprofen tablet	
	Ibuprofen/famotidine tablet	
	Ketoprofen IR, ER capsule	
	LOFENA (diclofenac) tablet	
	Meclofenamate capsule	
	Mefenamic acid capsule	
	Meloxicam submicronized capsule, suspension	

	<p>NALFON (fenoprofen) capsule, tablet</p> <p>NAPRELAN (naproxen CR) tablet</p> <p>Naproxen sodium CR, ER, IR tablet</p> <p>Naproxen/esomeprazole DR tablet</p> <p>Oxaprozin tablet</p> <p>Piroxicam capsule</p> <p>RELAFEN DS (nabumetone) tablet</p> <p>Tolmetin tablet</p> <p>VIMOVO (naproxen/esomeprazole) DR tablet</p>	
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Therapeutic Drug Class: NON-STEROIDAL ANTI-INFLAMMATORIES (NSAIDS) - Non-Oral - Effective 4/1/2024

No PA Required	PA Required	
<p>Diclofenac 1.5% topical solution</p> <p>Diclofenac sodium 1% gel (OTC/Rx)</p>	<p>Diclofenac 1.3% topical patch, 2% pump</p> <p>FLECTOR (diclofenac) 1.3% topical patch</p> <p>Ketorolac nasal spray</p> <p>LICART (diclofenac) 1.3% topical patch</p> <p>PENNSAID (diclofenac solution) 2% pump, 2% solution packet</p>	<p>SPRIX (ketorolac) may be approved if meeting the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member is unable to tolerate, swallow or absorb oral NSAID formulations OR Member has trialed and failed three preferred oral or topical NSAID agents (failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions) Quantity limit: 5-single day nasal spray bottles per 30 days <p>All other non-preferred topical agents may be approved for members who have trialed and failed one preferred agent. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 14-day trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p> <p>Diclofenac topical patch quantity limit: 2 patches per day</p> <p>Diclofenac 3% gel (generic Solaraze) prior authorization criteria can be found in the Antineoplastic agents, topical, section of the PDL.</p>

Opioid Utilization Policy (long-acting and short-acting opioids):

It is highly encouraged that the healthcare team utilize the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) to aid in ensuring safe and efficacious therapy for members using controlled substances.

Total Morphine Milligram Equivalent Policy Effective 10/1/17:

- The maximum allowable morphine milligram equivalent (MME) is 200 MME. Prescriptions for short-acting (SA) and long-acting (LA) opioids are cumulatively included in this calculation. The prescription that exceeds the cumulative MME limit of 200 MME for a member will require prior authorization and may require a provider-to-provider telephone consultation with the pain management physician (free of charge and provided by Health First Colorado).

- Prior authorization will be granted to allow for tapering
- Prior authorization for 1 year will be granted for diagnosis of sickle cell anemia
- Prior authorization for 1 year will be granted for admission to or diagnosis of hospice or end of life care
- Prior authorization for 1 year will be granted for pain associated with cancer

MME calculation is conducted using conversion factors from the following link: <https://pharmacypmp.az.gov/resources/mme-calculator>

Only one long-acting opioid agent (including different strengths) and one short-acting opioid agent (including different strengths) will be considered for a prior authorization.

Medicaid provides guidance on the treatment of pain, including tapering, on our webpage under the heading Pain Management Resources and Opioid Use at: <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/hcpf/pain-management-resources-and-opioid-use>

Opioid Naïve Policy Effective 8/1/17 (*Update effective 04/01/23 in Italics*):

Members who have not filled a prescription for an opioid within the past 180 days will be identified as “opioid treatment naïve” and have the following limitations placed on the initial prescription(s):

- The prescription is limited to short-acting opioid agents *or Butrans (buprenorphine)*. Use of other long-acting opioid agents will require prior authorization approval for members identified as opioid treatment naïve.
- The days’ supply of the first, second, and third prescription for an opioid will be limited to 7 days, the quantity will be limited to 8 dosage forms per day (tablets, capsules), maximum #56 tablets/capsules for a 7-day supply
- The fourth prescription for an opioid will require prior authorization, filling further opioid prescriptions may require a clinical pharmacist review or provider to provider telephone consultation with a pain management physician (free of charge and provided by Health First Colorado).
- If a member has had an opioid prescription filled within the past 180 days, then this policy would not apply to that member and other opioid policies would apply as applicable.

Dental Prescriptions Opioid Policy Effective 11/15/18 (implemented in the claims system 01/07/19):

Members who receive an opioid prescribed by a dental provider will be subject to day supply limits and quantity per day limits for short acting opioids.

- The prescription is limited to short-acting opioid agents only. Use of long-acting opioid agents and short acting fentanyl agents will require prior authorization approval for members’ prescriptions written by a dental provider.
- The days’ supply of the first, second, and third prescription for an opioid will be limited to 4 days, the quantity will be limited to 6 dosage forms per day (tablets, capsules), maximum #24 tablets/capsules for a 4-day supply
- The fourth prescription for an opioid will require prior authorization. A prior authorization for the fourth fill may be approved for up to a 7-day supply and the quantity will be limited to 8 dosage forms per day (#56 tablets/capsules) for members with any of the following diagnoses/undergoing any of the following procedures:
 - Traumatic oro-facial tissue injury with major mandibular/maxillary surgical procedures
 - Severe cellulitis of facial planes
 - Severely impacted teeth with facial space infection necessitating surgical management
- Other potential exemptions that exceed the first 3 fill limits (day supply and quantity) may be evaluated with a provider-to-provider telephone consult with a pain management specialist (free of charge and provided by Health First Colorado)

If a member has had an opioid prescription prescribed by a non-dental provider, then this policy would not apply to that member and other opioid policies would apply as applicable. Dental prescriptions do not impact the opioid treatment naïve policy, but the prescriptions will be counted towards the Morphine Milligram Equivalent (MME) daily dose.

Opioid and Benzodiazepine Combination Effective 9/15/19:

Prior authorization will be required for members receiving long-term therapy with an opioid medication who are newly started on a benzodiazepine medication OR for members receiving long-term therapy with a benzodiazepine medication who are newly started on an opioid medication. Prior authorization may be approved if meeting the following:

- The member discontinued or is no longer taking either the opioid or benzodiazepine medication and will not be using these in combination **OR**

- The member will not be taking the prescribed opioid and benzodiazepine medications at the same time based on prescribed dosing interval (such as prn administration) for the regimen **AND** the prescriber attests that the member has received appropriate counseling* regarding the risks associated with combining opioid and benzodiazepine medications including increased risk for sedation, respiratory depression, overdose, and overdose-related death and counseling regarding the FDA Boxed Warning for combining these medications **OR**
- The prescriber has evaluated the regimen and attests that it is appropriate for the member to continue use of the concomitant opioid and benzodiazepine medication regimen as prescribed **AND** the prescriber attests that the member has received appropriate counseling* regarding the risks associated with combining opioid and benzodiazepine medications including increased risk for sedation, respiratory depression, overdose, and overdose-related death and counseling regarding the FDA Boxed Warning for combining these medications **OR**
- Prior authorization may be approved for members receiving palliative or hospice care **OR**
- For benzodiazepine prior authorizations, approval may be granted if the benzodiazepine is being prescribed for seizure disorder or convulsions.

**If counseling has not been provided, the prescriber attests that a reasonable effort will be made to contact the member or the member's pharmacy to ensure that counseling is provided.*

Opioid and Quetiapine Combination Effective 9/15/19:

Pharmacy claims for members receiving opioid and quetiapine medications in combination will require entry of point-of-sale DUR service codes (Reason for Service, Professional Service, Result of Service) for override of drug-drug interaction (DD) related to risk of increased sedation from concomitant use of this drug combination.

Opioid and Buprenorphine-Containing substance use disorder (SUD) Product Combination Effective 06/01/21:

Opioid claims submitted for members currently receiving buprenorphine-containing SUD medications will require entry of point-of-sale DUR service codes (Reason for Service, Professional Service, Result of Service) for override of drug-drug interaction (DD) with use of this drug combination.

Therapeutic Drug Class: OPIOIDS, Short Acting - Effective 4/1/2024

Preferred No PA Required* (If criteria and quantity limit are met)	Non-Preferred PA Required	
*Acetaminophen/codeine tablets Hydrocodone/acetaminophen solution, tablet Hydromorphone tablet Morphine IR solution, tablet **NUCYNTA (tapentadol) tablet Oxycodone solution, tablet Oxycodone/acetaminophen tablet *Tramadol 25mg, 50mg *Tramadol/acetaminophen tablet	Acetaminophen / codeine elixir ASCOMP WITH CODEINE (codeine/butalbital/aspirin/caffeine) *Butalbital/caffeine/acetaminophen/codeine capsule Butalbital/caffeine/aspirin/codeine capsule Butalbital compound/codeine Butorphanol tartrate (nasal) spray Carisoprodol/aspirin/codeine Codeine tablet	*Preferred codeine and tramadol products do not require prior authorization for adult members (18 years of age or greater) if meeting all other opioid policy criteria. Preferred codeine or tramadol products prescribed for members < 18 years of age must meet the following criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preferred tramadol and tramadol-containing products may be approved for members < 18 years of age if meeting the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Member is 12 years to 17 years of age AND ○ Tramadol is NOT being prescribed for post-surgical pain following tonsil or adenoid procedure AND ○ Member's BMI-for-age is not > 95th percentile per CDC guidelines AND ○ Member does not have obstructive sleep apnea or severe lung disease OR ○ For members < 12 years of age with complex conditions or life-limiting illness who are receiving care under a pediatric specialist, tramadol and tramadol-containing products may be approved on a case-by-case basis • Preferred Codeine and codeine-containing products will receive prior authorization approval for members meeting the following criteria may be approved for members < 18 years of age if meeting the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Member is 12 years to 17 years of age AND ○ Codeine is NOT being prescribed for post-surgical pain following tonsil or adenoid procedure AND ○ Member's BMI-for-age is not > 95th percentile per CDC guidelines AND

	<p>Dihydrocodeine/acetaminophen/caffeine tablet</p> <p>DILAUDID (hydromorphone) solution, tablet</p> <p>FIORICET/CODEINE (codeine/ butalbital/acetaminophen/caffeine) capsule</p> <p>Hydrocodone/ibuprofen tablet</p> <p>Hydromorphone solution</p> <p>Levorphanol tablet</p> <p>Meperidine solution, tablet</p> <p>Morphine concentrated solution, oral syringe</p> <p>NALOCET (oxycodone/acetaminophen) tablet</p> <p>Oxycodone capsule, syringe, concentrated solution</p> <p>Oxycodone/acetaminophen solution</p> <p>Oxycodone/acetaminophen tablet (generic PROLATE)</p> <p>Oxymorphone tablet</p> <p>Pentazocine/naloxone tablet</p> <p>PERCOCET (oxycodone/ acetaminophen) tablet</p> <p>ROXICODONE (oxycodone) tablet</p> <p>ROXYBOND (oxycodone) tablet</p> <p>SEGLENTIS (tramadol/celecoxib) tablet</p> <p>Tramadol 100mg tablet</p> <p>Tramadol solution</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Member does not have obstructive sleep apnea or severe lung disease AND ○ Member is not pregnant, or breastfeeding AND ○ Renal function is not impaired (GFR > 50 ml/min) AND ○ Member is not receiving strong inhibitors of CYP3A4 (such as erythromycin, clarithromycin, itraconazole, ketoconazole, posaconazole, fluconazole [$\geq 200\text{mg}$ daily], voriconazole, delavirdine, and milk thistle) AND ○ Member meets <u>one</u> of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Member has trialed codeine or codeine-containing products in the past with no history of allergy or adverse drug reaction to codeine ● Member has not trialed codeine or codeine-containing products in the past and the prescriber acknowledges reading the following statement: “Approximately 1-2% of the population metabolizes codeine in a manner that exposes them to a much higher potential for toxicity. Another notable proportion of the population may not clinically respond to codeine. We ask that you please have close follow-up with members newly starting codeine and codeine-containing products to monitor for safety and efficacy.” <p>Non-preferred tramadol products may be approved following trial and failure of generic tramadol 50mg tablet AND generic tramadol/acetaminophen tablet.</p> <p>All other non-preferred short-acting opioid products may be approved following trial and failure of three preferred products. Failure is defined as allergy\ddagger, lack of efficacy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p> <p>\ddaggerAllergy: hives, maculopapular rash, erythema multiforme, pustular rash, severe hypotension, bronchospasm, and angioedema</p> <p><u>Quantity Limits:</u> Short-acting opioids will be limited to a total of 120 tablets per 30 days (4/day) per member for members who are not included in the opioid treatment naive policy.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● **Nucynta IR will have a maximum daily quantity of 6 tablets (180 tabs per 30 days). ● Exceptions will be made for members with a diagnosis of a terminal illness (hospice or palliative care) or sickle cell anemia. ● For members who are receiving more than 120 tablets currently and who do not have a qualifying exemption diagnosis, a 6-month prior authorization can be granted via the prior authorization process for providers to taper members. ● Please note that if more than one agent is used, the combined total utilization may not exceed 120 units in 30 days. There may be allowed certain exceptions to this limit for acute situations (for example: post-operative surgery, fractures, shingles, car accident).
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Therapeutic Drug Class: FENTANYL PREPARATIONS (buccal, transmucosal, sublingual) - Effective 4/1/2024		
	PA Required	<p>Fentanyl buccal, intranasal, transmucosal, and sublingual products:</p> <p>Prior authorization approval may be granted for members experiencing breakthrough cancer pain and those that have already received and are tolerant to opioid drugs for the cancer pain AND are currently being treated with a long-acting opioid drug. The prior authorization may be granted for up to 4 doses per day. For patients in hospice or palliative care, prior authorization will be automatically granted regardless of the number of doses prescribed.</p>
Therapeutic Drug Class: OPIOIDS, Long Acting - Effective 4/1/2024		
Preferred No PA Required (unless indicated by * criteria)	Non-Preferred PA Required	<p>*Belbuca (buprenorphine) buccal film may be approved for members who have trialed and failed‡ treatment with Butrans (buprenorphine) patch at a dose of 20 mcg/hr OR with prescriber confirmation that the maximum dose of Butrans 20 mcg/hr will not provide adequate analgesia. <u>Quantity limit:</u> 60 films/30 days.</p> <p>Oxycontin (oxycodone ER) may be approved for members who have trialed and failed‡ treatment with TWO preferred agents.</p> <p>All other non-preferred products may be approved for members who have trialed and failed‡ three preferred products.</p> <p>‡Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 14-day trial, allergy (hives, maculopapular rash, erythema multiforme, pustular rash, intolerable application site skin reactions, severe hypotension, bronchospasm, and angioedema), intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p> <p><u>Methadone:</u> Members may receive 30-day approval when prescribed for neonatal abstinence syndrome without requiring trial and failure of preferred agents or opioid prescriber consultation.</p> <p><u>Methadone Continuation:</u> Members who have been receiving methadone for pain indications do not have to meet non-preferred criteria. All new starts for methadone will require prior authorization under the non-preferred criteria listed above.</p>
<p>BELBUCA^{BNR} (buprenorphine) buccal film</p> <p>BUTRANS^{BNR} (buprenorphine) transdermal patch</p> <p>*Fentanyl 12mcg, 25mcg, 50mcg, 75mcg, 100mcg transdermal patch</p> <p>Morphine ER (generic MS Contin) tablet</p> <p>*NUCYNTA ER (tapentadol ER)</p> <p>Tramadol ER (generic Ultram ER) tablet</p> <p>XTAMPZA ER (oxycodone) capsule</p>	<p>**OXYCONTIN (oxycodone ER) tablet</p> <p>Buprenorphine buccal film, transdermal patch</p> <p>CONZIP (tramadol ER) capsule</p> <p>Fentanyl 37mcg, 62mcg, 87mcg transdermal patch</p> <p>Hydrocodone ER capsule, tablet</p> <p>Hydromorphone ER tablet</p> <p>HYSINGLA (hydrocodone ER) tablet</p> <p>Methadone (all forms)</p> <p>Morphine ER capsule</p> <p>MS CONTIN (morphine ER) tablet</p> <p>Oxycodone ER tablet</p> <p>Oxymorphone ER tablet</p>	

	Tramadol ER capsule	<p><i>If a prescriber would like to discuss strategies for tapering off methadone or transitioning to other pain management therapies for a Health First Colorado member, consultation with the Health First Colorado pain management physician is available free of charge by contacting the pharmacy call center helpdesk and requesting an opioid prescriber consult.</i></p> <p><u>Reauthorization:</u> Reauthorization for a non-preferred agent may be approved if the following criteria are met:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provider attests to continued benefit outweighing risk of opioid medication use AND • Member met original prior authorization criteria for this drug class at time of original authorization <p><u>**Quantity/Dosing Limits:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oxycontin, Nucynta ER, and Hydrocodone ER (generic Zohydro ER) will only be approved for twice daily dosing. • Hysingla will only be approved for once daily dosing. • Fentanyl patches will require a PA for doses of more than 15 patches/30 days (if using one strength) or 30 patches for 30 days (if using two strengths). For fentanyl patch strengths of 37mcg/hr, 62mcg/hr, and 87mcg/hr, member must trial and fail two preferred strengths of separate patches that will provide the desired dose (such as 12mcg/hr + 50mcg/hr = 62mcg/hr).
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II. Anti-Infectives

Therapeutic Drug Class: **ANTIBIOTICS, INHALED** -Effective 1/1/2024

Preferred No PA Required (*Must meet eligibility criteria)	Non-Preferred PA Required	
Tobramycin inhalation solution (generic TOBI) *CAYSTON (aztreonam) inhalation solution	ARIKAYCE (amikacin liposomal) inhalation vial BETHKIS (tobramycin) inhalation ampule KITABIS (tobramycin) nebulizer pak TOBI (tobramycin) inhalation solution TOBI PODHALER (tobramycin) inhalation capsule Tobramycin inhalation ampule (generic Bethkis) Tobramycin nebulizer pak (generic Kitabis)	<p>*CAYSTON (aztreonam) inhalation solution may be approved if the following criteria are met:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member has a history of trial and failure of preferred tobramycin solution for inhalation (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with a 4-week trial, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interactions) OR provider attests that member cannot use preferred tobramycin solution for inhalation due to documented allergy or contraindication to therapy AND • The member has known colonization of <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> in the lungs AND • The member has been prescribed an inhaled beta agonist to use prior to nebulization of Cayston (aztreonam). <p>ARIKAYCE (amikacin) may be approved if the following criteria are met:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member has refractory mycobacterium avium complex (MAC) lung disease with limited or no alternative treatment options available AND

- Member has trialed and failed 6 months of therapy with a 3-drug regimen that includes a macrolide (failure is defined as lack of efficacy, contraindication to therapy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interactions).

All other non-preferred inhaled antibiotic agents may be approved if the following criteria are met:

- The member has a diagnosis of cystic fibrosis with known colonization of *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* in the lungs **AND**
- Member has history of trial and failure of preferred tobramycin solution for inhalation (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with a 4-week trial, contraindication to therapy, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions).

Table 1: Minimum Age, Maximum Dose, and Quantity Limitations			
Drug Name	Minimum Age	Maximum Dose	Quantity Limit (Based on day supply limitation for pack size dispensed)
ARIKAYCE (amikacin)	≥ 18 years	590 mg once daily	Not applicable
BETHKIS (tobramycin)	Age ≥ 6 years	300 mg twice daily	28-day supply per 56-day period
CAYSTON (aztreonam)	≥ 7 years	75 mg three time daily	28-day supply per 56-day period
KITABIS PAK (tobramycin)	Age ≥ 6 years	300 mg twice daily	28-day supply per 56-day period
TOBI † (tobramycin)	Age ≥ 6 years	300 mg twice daily	28-day supply per 56-day period
TOBI PODHALER (tobramycin)	Age ≥ 6 years	112 mg twice daily	28-day supply per 56-day period

† Limitations apply to brand product formulation only

Members currently stabilized on any inhaled antibiotic agent in this class may receive approval to continue that agent.

Therapeutic Drug Class: ANTI-HERPETIC AGENTS - Oral - Effective 1/1/2024

No PA Required	PA Required	
Acyclovir tablet, capsule	Acyclovir suspension (<i>all other members</i>)	Non-preferred products may be approved for members who have failed an adequate trial with two preferred products with different active ingredients. Failure is defined as lack of

<p>*Acyclovir suspension (<i>members under 18 years or cannot swallow a solid dosage form</i>)</p> <p>Famciclovir tablet</p> <p>Valacyclovir tablet</p>	<p>SITAVIG (acyclovir) buccal tablet</p> <p>VALTREX (valacyclovir) tablet</p>	<p>efficacy with 14-day trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p> <p>Sitavig (acyclovir) buccal tablet may be approved for diagnosis of recurrent herpes labialis (cold sores) if member meets non-preferred criteria listed above AND has failed trial with oral acyclovir suspension. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 14-day trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p> <p>*Acyclovir suspension does not require prior authorization for members < 18 years of age and may be approved for members ≥ 18 years of age who cannot swallow an oral dosage form.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="1087 553 1877 768"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="3">Maximum Dose Table</th> </tr> <tr> <th></th> <th>Adult</th> <th>Pediatric</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Acyclovir</td> <td>4,000 mg/day</td> <td>3,200 mg/day</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Famciclovir</td> <td>2,000 mg/day</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Valacyclovir</td> <td>4,000 mg/day</td> <td>Age 2-11 years: 3,000mg/day Age ≥ 12 years: 4,000mg/day</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Maximum Dose Table				Adult	Pediatric	Acyclovir	4,000 mg/day	3,200 mg/day	Famciclovir	2,000 mg/day		Valacyclovir	4,000 mg/day	Age 2-11 years: 3,000mg/day Age ≥ 12 years: 4,000mg/day
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Therapeutic Drug Class: ANTI-HERPETIC AGENTS- Topical - Effective 1/1/2024

<p>No PA Required</p> <p><i>Brand/generic changes effective 02/22/2024*</i></p> <p>Acyclovir cream (<i>Teva only</i>)</p> <p>Acyclovir ointment</p> <p>DENAVIR (penciclovir) cream</p> <p>*Penciclovir cream</p>	<p>PA Required</p> <p>Acyclovir cream (<i>all other manufacturers</i>)</p> <p>XERESE (acyclovir/ hydrocortisone) cream</p> <p>ZOVIRAX (acyclovir) cream, ointment</p>	<p>Non-Preferred Zovirax and acyclovir ointment/cream formulations may be approved for members who have failed an adequate trial with the preferred topical acyclovir ointment/cream product (diagnosis, dose and duration) as deemed by approved compendium. (Failure is defined as: lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction)</p> <p>Xerese (acyclovir/hydrocortisone) prior authorization may be approved for members that meet the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Documented diagnosis of recurrent herpes labialis AND • Member is immunocompetent AND • Member has failed treatment of at least 10 days with acyclovir (Failure is defined as significant drug-drug interaction, lack of efficacy, contraindication to or intolerable side effects) AND • Member has failed treatment of at least one day with famciclovir 1500 mg OR valacyclovir 2 grams twice daily (Failure is defined as significant drug-drug interaction, lack of efficacy, contraindication to or intolerable side effects)
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Therapeutic Drug Class: FLUOROQUINOLONES – Oral - Effective 1/1/2024

<p>Preferred</p> <p>No PA Required</p> <p>(*if meeting eligibility criteria)</p>	<p>Non-Preferred</p> <p>PA Required</p> <p>BAXDELA (delafloxacin) tablet</p>	<p>*CIPRO suspension does not require prior authorization for members < 18 years of age and may be approved for members ≥ 18 years of age</p>
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<p>*CIPRO (ciprofloxacin) oral suspension^{BNR}</p> <p>Ciprofloxacin tablet</p> <p>Levofloxacin tablet</p> <p>Moxifloxacin tablet</p>	<p>CIPRO (ciprofloxacin) tablet</p> <p>Ciprofloxacin oral suspension</p> <p>Levofloxacin oral solution</p> <p>Ofloxacin tablet</p>	<p>Non-preferred products may be approved for members who have failed an adequate trial (7 days) with at least one preferred product. (Failure is defined as: lack of efficacy, contraindication to therapy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction).</p> <p>Levofloxacin solution may be approved for members with prescriber attestation that member:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • is unable to take Cipro (ciprofloxacin) crushed tablet or suspension OR • is < 5 years of age and being treated for pneumonia OR • has failed† an adequate trial (7 days) of ciprofloxacin suspension <p>†Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, significant drug-drug interaction, or contraindication to therapy.</p>
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Therapeutic Drug Class: **HEPATITIS C VIRUS TREATMENTS - Effective 1/1/2024**

Direct Acting Antivirals (DAAs)

<p>Preferred No PA Required for initial treatment (*must meet eligibility criteria)</p>	<p>Non-Preferred PA Required</p>	
<p>EPCLUSA (sofosbuvir/velpatasvir) 200 mg -50 mg, 150 mg-37.5 mg tablet, pellet pack</p> <p>HARVONI (ledipasvir/sofosbuvir) 45mg-200mg tablet, pellet pack</p> <p>Ledipasvir/Sofosbuvir 90 mg-400 mg tablet (<i>Asegua only</i>)</p> <p>MAVYRET (glecaprevir/pibrentasvir) tablet, pellet pack</p> <p>Sofosbuvir/Velpatasvir 400mg-100mg (<i>Asegua only</i>)</p> <p>*VOSEVI tablet (sofosbuvir/velpatasvir/voxilaprevir)</p>	<p>EPCLUSA 400 mg-100 mg (sofosbuvir/velpatasvir) tablet</p> <p>HARVONI 90 mg-400 mg (ledipasvir/sofosbuvir) tablet</p> <p>SOVALDI (sofosbuvir) tablet, pellet packet</p> <p>VIEKIRA PAK (ombitasvir/paritaprevir/ritonavir/dasabuvir) tablet</p> <p>ZEPATIER (elbasvir/grazoprevir) tablet</p>	<p>Pharmacy claims for preferred products prescribed for initial treatment will be eligible for up to a 90-day supply fill allowing for the appropriate days' duration for completing the initial treatment regimen (with no PA required). Subsequent fills will require prior authorization meeting re-treatment criteria below.</p> <p>*Second line preferred agents (Vosevi) may be approved for members 18 years of age or older with chronic HCV infection who are non-cirrhotic or have compensated cirrhosis (Child-Pugh A) AND meet the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GT 1-6 and has previously failed treatment with a regimen containing an NS5A inhibitor (such as ledipasvir, daclatasvir, or ombitasvir) OR • GT 1a or 3 and has previously failed treatment with a regimen containing sofosbuvir without an NS5A inhibitor AND • Request meets the applicable criteria below for re-treatment. <p>Re-treatment: All requests for HCV re-treatment for members who have failed therapy with a DAA will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. Additional information may be requested for re-treatment requests including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessment of member readiness for re-treatment • Previous regimen medications and dates treated • Genotype of previous HCV infection • Any information regarding adherence to previously trialed regimen(s) and current chronic medications • Adverse effects experienced from previous treatment regimen • Concomitant therapies during previous treatment regimen

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vosevi regimens will require verification that member has been tested for evidence of active hepatitis B virus (HBV) infection and for evidence of prior HBV infection prior to initiating treatment. <p>Non-preferred agents may be approved if documentation is provided indicating an acceptable rationale for not prescribing a preferred treatment regimen (acceptable rationale may include patient-specific medical contraindications to a preferred treatment or cases where a member has initiated treatment on a non-preferred drug and needs to complete therapy).</p> <p>Members currently receiving treatment with a non-preferred agent will receive approval to finish their treatment regimen, provided required documentation is sent via normal prior authorization request process.</p>
Ribavirin Products		
No PA Required		Preferred products are eligible for up to a 90-day supply fill.
Ribavirin capsule Ribavirin tablet		Non-preferred ribavirin products require prior authorizations which will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.
Therapeutic Drug Class: HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS (HIV) TREATMENTS, ORAL - Effective 1/1/2024 Effective 01/14/22, oral products indicated for HIV pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) or post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP) are eligible for coverage with a written prescription by an enrolled pharmacist. Additional information regarding pharmacist enrollment can be found at https://hcpf.colorado.gov/pharm-serv.		
Non-Nucleoside Reverse Transcriptase Inhibitors (NNRTIs)		
No PA Required		All products are preferred and do not require prior authorization.
EDURANT (rilpivirine) tablet Efavirenz capsule, tablet Etravirine tablet INTELENCE (etravirine) tablet Nevirapine suspension, IR tablet, ER tablet PIFELTRO (doravirine) tablet		
Nucleoside/Nucleotide Reverse Transcriptase Inhibitors (NRTIs)		
No PA Required		All products are preferred and do not require prior authorization.
Abacavir solution, tablet		

<p>Didanosine DR capsule</p> <p>Emtricitabine capsule</p> <p>EMTRIVA (emtricitabine) capsule, solution</p> <p>EPIVIR (lamivudine) solution, tablet</p> <p>Lamivudine solution, tablet</p> <p>RETROVIR (zidovudine) capsule, syrup</p> <p>Stavudine capsule</p> <p>Tenofovir disoproxil fumarate (TDF) tablet</p> <p>VIREAD (TDF) oral powder, tablet</p> <p>ZIAGEN (abacavir) solution, tablet</p> <p>Zidovudine capsule, syrup, tablet</p> <p><i>*TDF – Tenofovir disoproxil fumarate</i></p>		
Protease Inhibitors (PIs)		
<p style="text-align: center;">No PA Required</p> <p>APTIVUS (tipranavir) capsule</p> <p>Atazanavir capsule</p> <p>Darunavir tablet</p> <p>Fosamprenavir tablet</p> <p>LEXIVA (fosamprenavir) suspension, tablet</p> <p>NORVIR (ritonavir) powder packet, tablet</p> <p>PREZISTA (darunavir) suspension, tablet</p> <p>REYATAZ (atazanavir) capsule, powder pack</p> <p>Ritonavir tablet</p> <p>VIRACEPT (nelfinavir) tablet</p>		<p>All products are preferred and do not require prior authorization.</p>

Other Agents

No PA Required

ISENTRESS (raltegravir) chewable, powder pack, tablet
ISENTRESS HD (raltegravir) tablet
Maraviroc tablet
RUKOBIA (fostemsavir tromethamine ER) tablet
SELZENTRY (maraviroc) solution, tablet
SUNLENCA (lenacapavir) tablet
TIVICAY (dolutegravir) tablet
TIVICAY PD (dolutegravir) tablet for suspension
TYBOST (cobicistat) tablet
VOCABRIA (cabotegravir) tablet

All products are preferred and do not require prior authorization.

Combination Agents

No PA Required*

*Dispense as written (DAW) should be indicated on the prescription

Abacavir/Lamivudine tablet
ATRIPLA (efavirenz/Emtricitabine/TDF) tablet
BIKTARVY (bictegravir/emtricitabine/TAF) tablet
CIMDUO (lamivudine/TDF) tablet
COMBIVIR (lamivudine/zidovudine) tablet
COMPLERA (emtricitabine/rilpivirine/TDF) tablet
DELSTRIGO (doravirine/lamivudine/TDF) tablet

All products are preferred and do not require prior authorization.

<p>DESCOVY (emtricitabine/TAF) tablet</p> <p>DOVATO (dolutegravir/lamivudine) tablet</p> <p>Efavirenz/Emtricitabine/TDF tablet</p> <p>Efavirenz/Lamivudine/TDF tablet</p> <p>Emtricitabine/TDF tablet</p> <p>EPZICOM (abacavir/lamivudine) tablet</p> <p>EVOTAZ (atazanavir/cobicistat) tablet</p> <p>GENVOYA (elvitegravir/cobicistat/ emtricitabine/TAF) tablet</p> <p>JULUCA (dolutegravir/rilpivirine) tablet</p> <p>KALETRA (lopinavir/ritonavir) solution, tablet</p> <p>Lamivudine/Zidovudine tablet</p> <p>Lopinavir/Ritonavir solution, tablet</p> <p>ODEFSEY (emtricitabine/rilpivirine/TAF) tablet</p> <p>PREZCOBIX (darunavir/cobicistat) tablet</p> <p>STRIBILD (elvitegravir/cobicistat/ emtricitabine/TDF) tablet</p> <p>SYMFI/SYMFILLO (efavirenz/lamivudine/TDF) tablet</p> <p>SYMTUZA (darunavir/cobicistat/ emtricitabine/TAF) tablet</p> <p>TRIUMEQ (abacavir/dolutegravir/ lamivudine) tablet</p> <p>TRIUMEQ PD (abacavir/dolutegravir) tablet for suspension</p>		
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TRIZIVIR (abacavir/lamivudine/zidovudine) tablet		
*TRUVADA (emtricitabine/TDF) tablet		
TAF – Tenofovir alafenamide		
TDF – Tenofovir disoproxil fumarate		

Therapeutic Drug Class: TETRACYCLINES - Effective 7/1/2023

No PA Required	PA Required	
Doxycycline hyclate capsules	Demeclocycline tablet	Prior authorization for non-preferred tetracycline agents may be approved if member has trialed/failed a preferred doxycycline product AND preferred minocycline. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.
Doxycycline hyclate tablets	DORYX (doxycycline DR) tablet	
Doxycycline monohydrate 50mg, 100mg capsule	Doxycycline hyclate DR tablet	Prior authorization for liquid oral tetracycline formulations may be approved if member has difficulty swallowing and cannot take solid oral dosage forms.
Doxycycline monohydrate tablets	Doxycycline monohydrate 75mg, 150mg capsule	
Minocycline capsules	Doxycycline monohydrate suspension	
	Minocycline IR, ER tablet	
	MINOLIRA (minocycline ER) tablet	
	MORGIDOX (doxycycline/skin cleanser) kit	
	NUZYRA (omadacycline) tablet	
	SOLODYN ER (minocycline ER) tablet	
	Tetracycline capsule	
	VIBRAMYCIN (doxycycline) capsule, suspension, syrup	
	XIMINO (minocycline ER) capsule	
		<p>Nuzyra (omadacycline) prior authorization may be approved if member meets all of the following criteria: the above “non-preferred” prior authorization criteria and the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member has trialed and failed[†] therapy with a preferred doxycycline product and preferred minocycline OR clinical rationale is provided describing why these medications cannot be trialed (including resistance and sensitivity) AND • Member has diagnosis of either Community Acquired Bacterial Pneumonia (CABP) or Acute Bacterial Skin and Skin Structure Infection (ABSSSI) or clinical rationale and supporting literature describing/supporting intended use AND one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ If member diagnosis is ABSSSI, member must have trial and failure[†] of sulfamethoxazole/trimethoprim product in addition to preferred tetracyclines OR ○ If member diagnosis is CABP, member must have trial and failure[†] of either a beta-lactam antibiotic (amoxicillin/clavulanic acid) or a macrolide (azithromycin) <p align="center">AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maximum duration of use is 14 days
		<p>[†]Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 7-day trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p>

III. Cardiovascular

Therapeutic Drug Class: ALPHA-BLOCKERS - Effective 7/1/2023

No PA Required	PA Required	
Prazosin capsule	MINIPRESS (prazosin) capsule	Non-preferred products may be approved following trial and failure of one preferred product (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 4-week trial, allergy or intolerable side effects).

Therapeutic Drug Class: **BETA-BLOCKERS** - Effective 7/1/2023

Beta-Blockers, Single Agent

No PA Required	PA Required
<i>Brand/generic changes effective 2/22/2024*</i>	Betaxolol tablet
Acebutolol capsule	CORGARD (nadolol) tablet
Atenolol tablet	COREG (carvedilol) tablet
Bisoprolol tablet	COREG CR (carvedilol ER) capsule
BYSTOLIC (nebivolol) tablet	HEMANGEOL (propranolol) solution
*Carvedilol ER capsule	INDERAL LA/XL (propranolol ER) capsule
Carvedilol IR tablet	INNOPRAN XL (propranolol ER) capsule
Labetalol tablet	KASPARGO (metoprolol succinate) sprinkle capsule
Metoprolol tartrate tablet	LOPRESSOR (metoprolol tartrate) tablet
Metoprolol succinate ER tablet	Pindolol tablet
Nadolol tablet	TENORMIN (atenolol) tablet
Nebivolol tablet	Timolol tablet
Propranolol IR tablet, solution	TOPROL XL (metoprolol succinate) tablet
Propranolol ER capsule	

Non-preferred products may be approved following trial and failure with two preferred products (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 4-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions).

HEMANGEOL (propranolol) oral solution may be approved for members between 5 weeks and 1 year of age with proliferating infantile hemangioma requiring systemic therapy.

Maximum dose: 1.7 mg/kg twice daily

KASPARGO SPRINKLE (metoprolol succinate) extended-release capsule may be approved for members ≥ 6 years of age that have difficulty swallowing or require medication administration via a feeding tube.

Maximum dose: 200mg/day (adult); 50mg/day (pediatric)

Members currently stabilized on timolol oral tablet non-preferred products may receive approval to continue on that product.

Table 1: Receptor Selectivity and Other Properties of Preferred Beta Blockers				
	β ₁	β ₂	Alpha-1 receptor antagonist	Intrinsic sympathomimetic activity (ISA)
Acebutolol	X			X
Atenolol	X			
Betaxolol	X			
Bisoprolol	X			
Carvedilol	X	X	X	
Labetalol	X	X	X	
Metoprolol succinate	X			
Metoprolol tartrate	X			
Nadolol	X	X		
Nebivolol	X			
Pindolol	X	X		X
Propranolol	X	X		

Beta-Blockers, Anti-Arrhythmics		
No PA Required	PA Required	
Sotalol tablet	BETAPACE/AF (sotalol) tablet SOTYLIZE (sotalol) solution	SOTYLIZE (sotalol) oral solution may be approved for members 3 days to < 5 years of age. For members ≥ 5 years of age, SOTYLIZE (sotalol) oral solution may be approved for members who-cannot swallow a sotalol tablet OR members that have trialed and failed therapy with one preferred product. (Failure is defined as allergy or intolerable side effects.) Maximum dose: 320 mg/day
Beta-Blockers, Combinations		
No PA Required	PA Required	
Atenolol/Chlorthalidone tablet Bisoprolol/HCTZ tablet Metoprolol/HCTZ tablet	Propranolol/HCTZ tablet TENORETIC (atenolol/chlorthalidone) tablet ZIAC (bisoprolol/HCTZ) tablet	Non-preferred products may be approved following trial and failure with two preferred products (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 4-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions).
Therapeutic Drug Class: CALCIUM CHANNEL-BLOCKERS - <i>Effective 7/1/2023</i>		
Dihydropyridines (DHPs)		
No PA Required	PA Required	
Amlodipine tablet Felodipine ER tablet Nifedipine ER tablet Nifedipine IR capsule	ADALAT CC (nifedipine ER) tablet NORLIQVA (amlodipine) suspension KATERZIA (amlodipine) suspension Isradipine capsule Nicardipine capsule Nimodipine capsule Nisoldipine ER tablet NORVASC (amlodipine) tablet NYMALIZE (nimodipine) solution, oral syringe PROCARDIA XL (nifedipine ER) tablet	Non-preferred products may be approved following trial and failure of two preferred agents. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, contraindication to therapy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interactions. NYMALIZE (nimodipine) oral syringe may be approved for adult members (≥ 18 years of age) with subarachnoid hemorrhage who also have a feeding tube or have difficulty swallowing solid dosage forms. Maximum dose: 360 mg/day for 21 days (6 syringes/day or 126 syringes/21 days) KATERZIA (amlodipine) suspension may be approved if meeting the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The member has a feeding tube or confirmed difficulty swallowing solid oral dosage forms OR cannot obtain the required dose through crushed amlodipine tablets AND • For members < 6 years of age, the prescriber confirms that the member has already been receiving the medication following initiation in a hospital or other clinical setting

	SULAR (nisoldipine ER) tablet	
Non-Dihydropyridines (Non-DHPs)		
No PA Required	PA Required	Non-preferred products may be approved following trial and failure of three preferred agents. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, contraindication to therapy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interactions.
Diltiazem IR tablet	CALAN SR (verapamil ER) tablet	
Diltiazem CD/ER capsule	CARDIZEM (diltiazem) tablet	
Verapamil IR, ER tablet	CARDIZEM CD/LA (diltiazem CD/ER) capsule, tablet	
Verapamil ER 120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg capsule	Diltiazem ER/LA tablet	
	TIAZAC ER (diltiazem ER) capsule	
	Verapamil ER 360 mg capsule	
	Verapamil PM ER 100 mg, 200 mg, 300 mg capsule	
	VERELAN/PM (verapamil ER) pellet capsule	
Therapeutic Drug Class: ANGIOTENSIN MODIFIERS - Effective 7/1/2023		
Angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitors (ACE Inh)		
No PA Required	PA Required	<p>Non-preferred ACE inhibitors, ACE inhibitor combinations, ARBs, ARB combinations, renin inhibitors, and renin inhibitor combination products may be approved for members who have trialed and failed treatment with three preferred products (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with a 4-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction).</p> <p>*Enalapril solution may be approved without trial and failure of three preferred agents for members who cannot swallow a whole or crushed tablet.</p> <p>*QBRELIS (lisinopril) solution may be approved for members 6 years of age or older who cannot swallow a whole or crushed tablet and have trialed and failed Epaned (enalapril) solution. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with a 4-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p>
Benazepril tablet	ACCUPRIL (quinapril) tablet	
Enalapril tablet	ALTACE (ramipril) capsule	
Fosinopril tablet	Captopril tablet	
Lisinopril tablet	Enalapril solution	
Quinapril tablet	EPANED (enalapril) solution	
Ramipril tablet	LOTENSIN (benazepril) tablet	
	Moexipril tablet	
	Perindopril tablet	
	PRINIVIL (lisinopril) tablet	
	QBRELIS (lisinopril) solution	
	Trandolapril tablet	

	VASOTEC (enalapril) tablet ZESTRIL (lisinopril) tablet	
ACE Inhibitor Combinations		
No PA Required	PA Required	Non-preferred ACE inhibitors, ACE inhibitor combinations, ARBs, ARB combinations, renin inhibitors, and renin inhibitor combination products may be approved for members who have trialed and failed treatment with three preferred products (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with a 4-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction).
Amlodipine/Benazepril capsule Enalapril/HCTZ tablet Lisinopril/HCTZ tablet	ACCURETIC (quinapril/HCTZ) tablet Benazepril/HCTZ tablet Captopril/HCTZ tablet Fosinopril/HCTZ tablet LOTENSIN HCT (benazepril/HCTZ) tablet LOTREL (amlodipine/benazepril) capsule Quinapril/HCTZ tablet VASERETIC (enalapril/HCTZ) tablet ZESTORETIC (lisinopril/HCTZ) tablet	
Angiotensin II receptor blockers (ARBs)		
No PA Required	PA Required	Non-preferred ACE inhibitors, ACE inhibitor combinations, ARBs, ARB combinations, renin inhibitors, and renin inhibitor combination products may be approved for members who have trialed and failed treatment with three preferred products (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with a 4-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction).
Irbesartan tablet Losartan tablet Olmesartan tablet Telmisartan tablet Valsartan tablet	ATACAND (candesartan) tablet AVAPRO (irbesartan) tablet BENICAR (olmesartan) tablet Candesartan tablet COZAAR (losartan) tablet DIOVAN (valsartan) tablet EDARBI (azilsartan) tablet Eprosartan tablet MICARDIS (telmisartan) tablet	

ARB Combinations		
<p style="text-align: center;">Preferred No PA Required (Unless indicated*)</p> <p>*ENTRESTO (sacubitril/valsartan) tablet</p> <p>Irbesartan/HCTZ tablet</p> <p>Losartan/HCTZ tablet</p> <p>Olmesartan/Amlodipine tablet</p> <p>Olmesartan/HCTZ tablet</p> <p>Valsartan/Amlodipine tablet</p> <p>Valsartan/HCTZ tablet</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Non-Preferred PA Required</p> <p>ATACAND HCT (candesartan/HCTZ) tablet</p> <p>AVALIDE (irbesartan/HCTZ) tablet</p> <p>AZOR (olmesartan/amlodipine) tablet</p> <p>BENICAR HCT (olmesartan/HCTZ) tablet</p> <p>Candesartan/HCTZ tablet</p> <p>DIOVAN HCT (valsartan/HCTZ) tablet</p> <p>EDARBYCLOR (azilsartan/chlorthalidone) tablet</p> <p>EXFORGE (valsartan/amlodipine) tablet</p> <p>EXFORGE HCT (valsartan/amlodipine/HCTZ) tablet</p> <p>HYZAAR (losartan/HCTZ) tablet</p> <p>MICARDIS HCT (telmisartan/HCTZ) tablet</p> <p>Olmesartan/amlodipine/HCTZ tablet</p> <p>Telmisartan/amlodipine tablet</p> <p>Telmisartan/HCTZ tablet</p> <p>TRIBENZOR (olmesartan/amlodipine/HCTZ) tablet</p> <p>Valsartan/Amlodipine/HCTZ tablet</p>	<p>Non-preferred ACE inhibitors, ACE inhibitor combinations, ARBs, ARB combinations, renin inhibitors, and renin inhibitor combination products may be approved for members who have trialed and failed treatment with three preferred products (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with a 4-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction).</p> <p>*ENTRESTO (sacubitril/valsartan) may be approved for members if the following criteria are met:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member is 1 to 17 years of age and has a diagnosis of symptomatic heart failure with systemic left ventricular systolic dysfunction (LVSD) and/or has chronic heart failure with a below-normal left ventricular ejection fraction (LVEF) OR • Member is ≥ 18 years of age and has a diagnosis of chronic heart failure. • Diagnosis will be verified through automated verification (AutoPA) of the appropriate corresponding ICD-10 diagnosis codes related to the indicated use of the medication.
Renin Inhibitors & Renin Inhibitor Combinations		
	<p style="text-align: center;">PA Required</p> <p>Aliskiren tablet</p> <p>TEKTURNA (aliskiren) tablet</p>	<p>Non-preferred renin inhibitors and renin inhibitor combination products may be approved for members who have failed treatment with three preferred products from the angiotensin modifier class (failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction).</p>

	TEKTURNA HCT (aliskiren/HCTZ) tablet	Renin inhibitors and combinations will not be approved in patients with diabetes. Renin inhibitors are contraindicated when used in combination with an ACE-inhibitor, ACE-inhibitor combination, ARB, or ARB-combination.
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Therapeutic Drug Class: PULMONARY ARTERIAL HYPERTENSION THERAPIES - Effective 7/1/2023

Phosphodiesterase Inhibitors

<p align="center">Preferred</p> <p>*Must meet eligibility criteria</p> <p align="center"><i>Brand/generic changes effective 4/27/23</i></p> <p>*REVATIO (sildenafil) oral suspension</p> <p>*Sildenafil tablet, oral suspension</p> <p>*Tadalafil 20mg tablet</p>	<p align="center">Non-Preferred PA Required</p> <p>ADCIRCA (tadalafil) tablet</p> <p>ALYQ (tadalafil) tablet</p> <p>REVATIO (sildenafil) tablet</p>	<p>*Eligibility criteria for preferred products:</p> <p>Preferred sildenafil and tadalafil tablet formulations may be approved for a diagnosis of pulmonary hypertension or right-sided heart failure.</p> <p>REVATIO (sildenafil) suspension may be approved for a diagnosis of pulmonary hypertension for members < 5 years of age or members ≥ 5 years of age who are unable to take/swallow tablets.</p> <p>Non-preferred oral tablet products may be approved if meeting the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member has a diagnosis of pulmonary hypertension AND • Member has trialed and failed treatment with preferred sildenafil tablet AND preferred tadalafil tablet. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 4-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction. <p>Members who have been previously stabilized on a non-preferred product may receive approval to continue on the medication.</p> <p>Non-preferred oral liquid products may be approved if meeting the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member has a diagnosis of pulmonary hypertension AND • Request meets one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Member has trialed and failed treatment with one preferred oral liquid formulation (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with a 4-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction) OR ○ Prescriber verifies that the member is unable to take/swallow tablet and attests that there is clinical necessity for use of a regimen with a less frequent dosing interval.
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Endothelin Receptor Antagonists

<p align="center">Preferred</p> <p>*Must meet eligibility criteria</p> <p>*Ambrisentan tablet</p> <p>*Bosentan 62.5mg, 125mg tablet</p>	<p align="center">Non-Preferred PA Required</p> <p>LETAIRIS (ambrisentan) tablet</p> <p>OPSUMIT (macitentan) tablet</p> <p>TRACLEER (bosentan) 32mg tablet for suspension</p> <p>TRACLEER (bosentan) 62.5mg, 125mg tablet</p>	<p>*Eligibility Criteria for all agents in the class</p> <p>Approval may be granted for a diagnosis of pulmonary hypertension. Member and prescriber should be enrolled in applicable REMS program for prescribed medication.</p> <p>Non-preferred agents may be approved for members who have trialed and failed two preferred agents. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p> <p>Members who have been previously stabilized on a non-preferred product may receive approval to continue the medication.</p>
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Prostacyclin Analogues and Receptor Agonists		
<p>Preferred (*Must meet eligibility criteria)</p> <p>*Epoprostenol vial</p> <p>*FLOLAN (epoprostenol) vial</p> <p>*ORENITRAM (treprostinil ER) tablet</p> <p>*VENTAVIS (iloprost) inhalation solution</p>	<p>Non-Preferred PA Required</p> <p>REMODULIN (treprostinil) vial</p> <p>Treprostinil vial</p> <p>TYVASO (treprostinil) inhalation solution</p> <p>UPTRAVI (selexipag) tablet, dose pack, vial</p> <p>VELETRI (epoprostenol) vial</p>	<p>*Eligibility Criteria for all agents in the class Approval will be granted for a diagnosis of pulmonary hypertension.</p> <p>Non-preferred products may be approved for members who have failed treatment with a Preferred Product. (Failure is defined as: lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, contraindication to IV therapy or significant drug-drug interaction).</p> <p>Members who have been previously stabilized on a non-preferred product may receive approval to continue on the medication.</p>
Guanylate Cyclase (sGC) Stimulator		
	<p>Non-Preferred PA Required</p> <p>ADEMPAS (riociguat) tablet</p>	<p>ADEMPAS (riociguat) may be approved for members who meet the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For members of childbearing potential: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Member is not pregnant and is able to receive monthly pregnancy tests while taking ADEMPAS and one month after stopping therapy AND ○ Member and their partners are utilizing one of the following contraceptive methods during treatment and for one month after stopping treatment (IUD, contraceptive implants, tubal sterilization, a hormone method with a barrier method, two barrier methods, vasectomy with a hormone method, or vasectomy with a barrier method) <p>AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member has a CrCl \geq 15 mL/min and is not on dialysis AND • Member does not have severe liver impairment (Child Pugh C) AND • Member has a diagnosis of persistent/recurrent chronic thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension (CTEPH) (WHO Group 4) after surgical treatment or has inoperable CTEPH OR • Member has a diagnosis of pulmonary hypertension and has failed treatment with a preferred product for pulmonary hypertension. (Failure is defined as a lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction).
Therapeutic Drug Class: LIPOTROPICS - Effective 7/1/2023		
Bile Acid Sequestrants		
<p>No PA Required</p> <p>Colesevelam tablet</p> <p>Colestipol tablet</p> <p>Cholestyramine packet, light packet, powder</p>	<p>PA Required</p> <p>Colesevelam packet</p> <p>COLESTID (colestipol) tablet, granules</p> <p>Colestipol granules</p>	<p>Non-preferred bile acid sequestrants may be approved if the member has failed treatment with 2 preferred products in the last 12 months (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 4-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions).</p> <p>Non-preferred lipotropic agents with a preferred product with same strength, dosage form, and active ingredient may be approved with adequate trial and/or failure of the preferred product with the same ingredient (such as preferred ezetimibe and Zetia) and 2 additional agents. (Failure is defined as: lack of efficacy with 4-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions).</p>

	<p>QUESTRAN (cholestyramine/sugar) packet, powder</p> <p>QUESTRAN LIGHT (cholestyramine/ aspartame) packet, powder</p> <p>WELCHOL (colesevelam) tablet, packet</p>	
Fibrates		
No PA Required	PA Required	
<p>Fenofibrate capsule, tablet (generic Lofibra/Tricor)</p> <p>Gemfibrozil tablet</p>	<p>ANTARA (fenofibrate) capsule</p> <p>Fenofibric acid DR capsule</p> <p>Fenofibric acid tablet</p> <p>Fenofibrate capsule (generic Antara/Fenoglide/Lipofen)</p> <p>FENOGLIDE (fenofibrate) tablet</p> <p>LIPOFEN (fenofibrate) capsule</p> <p>LOPID (gemfibrozil) tablet</p> <p>TRICOR (fenofibrate nano) tablet</p> <p>TRILIPIX (fenofibric acid) capsule</p>	<p>Non-preferred fibrates may be approved if the member has failed treatment with generic gemfibrozil or generic fenofibrate and niacin ER in the last 12 months (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 4-week trial of each drug, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions).</p> <p>Non-preferred lipotropic agents with a preferred product with same strength, dosage form, and active ingredient may be approved with adequate trial and/or failure of the preferred product with the same ingredient (such as preferred ezetimibe and Zetia) and 2 additional agents. (Failure is defined as: lack of efficacy with 4-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions).</p>
Other Lipotropics		
No PA Required (*Must meet eligibility criteria)	PA Required	
<p>Ezetimibe tablet</p> <p>Niacin ER tablet</p> <p>*Omega-3 ethyl esters capsule (generic Lovaza)</p>	<p>Icosapent ethyl capsule</p> <p>LOVAZA (omega-3 ethyl esters) capsule</p> <p>NEXLETOL (bempedoic acid) tablet</p> <p>NEXLIZET (bempedoic acid/ezetimibe) tablet</p> <p>VASCEPA (icosapent ethyl) capsule</p> <p>ZETIA (ezetimibe) tablet</p>	<p>Non-preferred lipotropic agents with a preferred product with same strength, dosage form, and active ingredient may be approved with adequate trial and/or failure of the preferred product with the same ingredient (such as preferred ezetimibe and Zetia) and 2 additional agents. (Failure is defined as: lack of efficacy with 4-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions).</p> <p>*Omega-3 ethyl esters (generic Lovaza) may be approved for members who have a baseline triglyceride level ≥ 500 mg/dL</p> <p>Lovaza (brand name) may be approved if meeting the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member has a baseline triglyceride level ≥ 500 mg/dl AND • Member has failed an adequate trial of omega-3 Ethyl Esters AND an adequate trial of gemfibrozil or fenofibrate (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 4-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions)

Nexletol (bempedoic acid) or **Nexlizet** (bempedoic acid/ezetimibe) may be approved if meeting the following criteria:

- Member is ≥ 18 years of age **AND**
- Member is not pregnant **AND**
- Member is not receiving concurrent simvastatin > 20 mg daily or pravastatin > 40 mg daily **AND**
- Member has a diagnosis of either heterozygous familial hypercholesterolemia or established atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease (see definition below), **AND**

Conditions Which Define Clinical Atherosclerotic Cardiovascular Disease

- Acute Coronary Syndrome
- History of Myocardial Infarction
- Stable or Unstable Angina
- Coronary or other Arterial Revascularization
- Stroke
- Transient Ischemic Attack
- Peripheral Arterial Disease of Atherosclerotic Origin

- Member is concurrently adherent ($> 80\%$ of the past 180 days) on a maximally tolerated dose of a high intensity statin therapy (atorvastatin ≥ 40 mg daily **OR** rosuvastatin ≥ 20 mg daily [as a single-entity or as a combination product]) **AND** ezetimibe (as a single-entity or as a combination product) concomitantly for ≥ 8 continuous weeks), **AND**
- If intolerant to a statin due to side effects, member must have a one month documented trial with at least two other maximally dosed statins in addition to ezetimibe. For members with a past or current incidence of rhabdomyolysis, a one-month trial and failure of a statin is not required, **AND**
- Member has a treated LDL > 70 mg/dL for a clinical history of ASCVD **OR** LDL > 100 mg/dL if familial hypercholesterolemia

Initial Approval: 1 year

Reauthorization: Reauthorization may be approved for 1 year with provider attestation of medication safety and efficacy during the initial treatment period

Vascepa (icosapent ethyl) may be approved if meeting the following:

- Member has a baseline triglyceride level > 500 mg/dl **AND**
- Member has failed an adequate trial of generic omega-3 ethyl esters **AND** an adequate trial of gemfibrozil or fenofibrate (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 4-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions)
OR
- Medication is being prescribed to reduce CV risk for members on maximally tolerated statin therapy with triglyceride levels ≥ 150 mg/dL and LDL-C levels between 41-100 mg/dL **AND** member meets one of the following:
 - Member is ≥ 45 years of age and has established atherosclerotic CV disease (e.g., coronary artery disease, cerebrovascular/carotid disease, peripheral arterial disease) **OR**

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Member is ≥ 50 years of age with diabetes mellitus and has <u>one or more</u> of the following additional risk factors for CV disease: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Male ≥ 55 years of age or female ≥ 65 years of age ▪ Cigarette smoker ▪ Hypertension ▪ HDL-C ≤ 40 mg/dL for men or ≤ 50 mg/dL for women ▪ hsCRP >3.00 mg/L (0.3 mg/dL) ▪ CrCl 30 to 59 mL/min ▪ Retinopathy ▪ Micro- or macroalbuminuria ▪ ABI <0.9 without symptoms of intermittent claudication <p>Maximum Dose: 4g daily</p>
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Therapeutic Drug Class: STATINS -Effective 7/1/2023

No PA Required	PA Required	
Atorvastatin tablet	ALTOPREV (lovastatin ER) tablet	<p>Non-preferred Statins may be approved following trial and failure of treatment with two preferred products (failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions).</p> <p>Age Limitations: Altoprev will not be approved for members < 18 years of age. Fluvastatin will not be approved for members < 10 years of age. Livalo will not be approved for members < 8 years of age.</p>
Lovastatin tablet	CRESTOR (rosuvastatin) tablet	
Pravastatin tablet	EZALLOR (rosuvastatin) sprinkle capsule	
Rosuvastatin tablet	Fluvastatin capsule, ER tablet	
Simvastatin tablet	LESCOL XL (fluvastatin ER) tablet	
	LIPITOR (atorvastatin) tablet	
	LIVALO (pitavastatin) tablet	
	ZOCOR (simvastatin) tablet	
	ZYPITAMAG (pitavastatin) tablet	

Therapeutic Drug Class: STATIN COMBINATIONS -Effective 7/1/2023

	PA Required	
	Atorvastatin/Amlodipine tablet	<p>Non-preferred Statin combinations may be approved following trial and failure of treatment with two preferred products (failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions).</p> <p>Age Limitations: Vytorin (ezetimibe/simvastatin) will not be approved for members < 18 years of age. Caduet (amlodipine/atorvastatin) will not be approved for members < 10 years of age.</p>
	CADUET (atorvastatin/amlodipine) tablet	
	Simvastatin/Ezetimibe tablet	
	VYTORIN (simvastatin/ezetimibe) tablet	

IV. Central Nervous System

Therapeutic Drug Class: **ANTICONVULSANTS -Oral-Effective 4/1/2024**

No PA Required	PA Required <i>Non-preferred brand name medications do not require a prior authorization when the equivalent generic is preferred and “dispense as written” is indicated on the prescription.</i>	
Barbiturates		Members currently stabilized (in outpatient or acute care settings) on any non-preferred medication in this class may receive prior authorization approval to continue on that medication.
Phenobarbital elixir, solution, tablet Primidone tablet	MYSOLINE (primidone) tablet	Non-preferred brand name medications do not require a prior authorization when the equivalent generic is preferred and “dispense as written” is indicated on the prescription.
Hydantoins		<u>Non-Preferred Products Newly Started for Treating Seizure Disorder or Convulsions:</u> Non-preferred medications newly started for members with a diagnosis of seizure disorder/convulsions may be approved if the following criteria are met:
DILANTIN (phenytoin) 30 mg capsules, Infatab, suspension PHENYTEK (phenytoin ER) capsule Phenytoin suspension, chewable, ER capsule	DILANTIN (phenytoin ER), 100 mg capsules	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The requested medication is being prescribed by a practitioner who has sufficient education and experience to safely manage treatment AND ● The request meets minimum age and maximum dose limits listed in Table 1 AND ● For medications indicated for use as adjunctive therapy, the medication is being used in conjunction with another medication indicated for treatment of seizure disorder/convulsions AND ● The request meets additional criteria listed for any of the following:
Succinamides		APTIOM (eslicarbazepine): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Member has history of trial and failure‡ of any carbamazepine-containing product
Ethosuximide capsule, solution	CELONTIN (methsuximide) Kapseal Methsuximide capsule ZARONTIN (ethosuximide) capsule, solution	BRIVIACT (brivaracetam): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Member has history of trial and failure‡ of any levetiracetam-containing product
Benzodiazepines		DIACOMIT (stiripentol): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Member is concomitantly taking clobazam AND ● Member has diagnosis of seizures associated with Dravet syndrome
Clobazam tablet, suspension Clonazepam tablet, ODT	KLONOPIN (clonazepam) tablet ONFI (clobazam) suspension, tablet SYMPAZAN (clobazam) SL film	ELEPSIA XR (levetiracetam ER) tablet <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Member has history of trial and failure‡ of levetiracetam ER (KEPPRA XR)
Valproic Acid and Derivatives		EPIDIOLEX (cannabidiol): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Member has diagnosis of seizures associated with Lennox-Gastaut syndrome (LGS) or Dravet Syndrome OR ● Member has a diagnosis of seizures associated with tuberous sclerosis complex (TSC).
		FINTEPLA (fenfluramine): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Member has a diagnosis of seizures associated with Dravet syndrome or

DEPAKOTE (divalproex DR) sprinkle capsule, tablet Divalproex sprinkle capsule, DR tablet, ER tablet Valproic acid capsule, solution	DEPAKOTE ER (divalproex ER) tablet	Lennox-Gastaut syndrome OXTELLAR XR (oxcarbazepine ER): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member is being treated for partial-onset seizures AND Member has history of trial and failure‡ of any carbamazepine or oxcarbazepine-containing product SPRITAM (levetiracetam) tablet for suspension <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member has history of trial and failure‡ of levetiracetam solution SYMPAZAN (clobazam) film: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member has history of trial and failure‡ of clobazam tablet or solution OR Provider attests that member cannot take clobazam tablet or solution <u>Non-Preferred Products Newly Started for Non-Seizure Disorder Diagnoses:</u> Non-preferred medications newly started for non-seizure disorder diagnoses may be approved if meeting the following criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member has history of trial and failure‡ of two preferred agents AND The prescription meets minimum age and maximum dose limits listed in Table 1. ‡Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, significant drug-drug interaction, documented contraindication to therapy, or inability to take preferred formulation. Members identified as HLA-B*15:02 positive, carbamazepine and oxcarbazepine should be avoided per Clinical Pharmacogenetics Implementation Consortium Guideline. This may be considered a trial for prior authorization approvals of a non-preferred agent.																																				
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Brivaracetam/Levetiracetam		Carbamazepine Derivatives		
		carbamazepine (EPITOL)		1,600 mg per day
Levetiracetam IR tablet, ER tablet, solution	BRIVIACT (brivaracetam) solution, tablet ELEPSIA XR (levetiracetam ER) tablet KEPPRA (levetiracetam) tablet, solution KEPRA XR (levetiracetam ER) tablet SPRITAM (levetiracetam) tablet	carbamazepine ER (EQUETRO)		1,600 mg per day
		eslicarbazepine (APTIOM)	4 years	1,600 mg per day
		oxcarbazepine ER (OXTELLAR XR)	6 years	2,400 mg per day
		Hydantoins		
		phenytoin ER (DILANTIN) 100mg capsules, suspension, Infatab		1,000 mg loading dose 600 mg/day maintenance dose
		Lamotrigines		
Other	<i>Brand/generic changes effective 02/22/2024*</i> *Felbamate suspension FELBATOL (felbamate) suspension FELBATOL (felbamate) ^{BNR} tablet Lacosamide solution, tablet Zonisamide capsule	lamotrigine IR (LAMICTAL)	2 years	500 mg per day
		lamotrigine (LAMICTAL ODT)	2 years	500 mg per day
		lamotrigine ER (LAMICTAL XR)	13 years	600 mg per day
		Succinamides		
		ethosuximide (ZARONTIN)		25 mg/kg/day
		methsuximide (CELONTIN)		Not listed
		Valproic Acid and Derivatives		
		divalproex ER (DEPAKOTE ER)	10 years	60 mg/kg/day
		Topiramates		
		topiramate (TOPAMAX)	2 years	400 mg per day
topiramate ER (QUDEXY XR)	2 years	400 mg per day		
topiramate ER (TROKENDI XR)	6 years	400 mg per day		
Other	BANZEL (rufinamide) suspension, tablet DIACOMIT (stiripentol) capsule, powder packet EPIDIOLEX (cannabidiol) solution Felbamate tablet FINTEPLA (fenfluramine) solution FYCOMPA (perampanel) suspension, tablet GABITRIL (tiagabine) tablet Lacosamide UD solution MOTPOLY XR (lacosamide) capsule Rufinamide suspension, tablet SABRIL (vigabatrin) powder packet, tablet Tiagabine tablet	Other		
		cannabidiol (EPIDIOLEX)	1 year	25 mg/kg/day
		cenobamate (XCOPRI)	18 years	400 mg per day
		felbamate tablet, suspension	2 years	3,600 mg per day
		fenfluramine (FINTEPLA)	2 years	26 mg per day
		lacosamide (VIMPAT)	1 month	400 mg per day
		perampanel (FYCOMPA)	4 years	12 mg per day
		rufinamide (BANZEL) tablet and suspension	1 year	3,200 mg per day
		stiripentol (DIACOMIT)	6 months (weighing ≥ 7 kg)	3,000 mg per day
		tiagabine	12 years	56 mg per day
		tiagabine (GABITRIL)	12 years	56 mg per day
		vigabatrin	1 month	3,000 mg per day
		vigabatrin (SABRIL)	1 month	3,000 mg per day
		vigabatrin (VIGADRONE) powder packet	1 month	3,000 mg per day
		zonisamide (ZONEGRAN)	16 years	600 mg per day
		**Limits based on data from FDA package insert. Approval for age/dosing that falls outside of the indicated range may be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.		

	Vigabatrin tablet, powder packet VIMPAT (lacosamide) solution, kit, tablet XCOPRI (cenobamate) tablet, pack ZONISADE (zonisamide) suspension ZTALMY (ganaxolone) suspension	
Therapeutic Drug Class: NEWER GENERATION ANTI-DEPRESSANTS -Effective 4/1/2024		
<p style="text-align: center;">No PA Required</p> Bupropion IR, SR, XL tablet Citalopram tablet, solution Desvenlafaxine succinate ER (generic Pristiq) tablet Duloxetine (generic Cymbalta) capsule Escitalopram tablet Fluoxetine capsule, solution, 60 mg tablet Fluvoxamine tablet Mirtazapine tablet, ODT Paroxetine IR tablet Sertraline tablet, solution Trazodone tablet Venlafaxine IR tablet Venlafaxine ER capsules	<p style="text-align: center;">PA Required</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Non-preferred brand name medications do not require a prior authorization when the equivalent generic is preferred and “dispense as written” is indicated on the prescription.</i></p> APLENZIN (bupropion ER) tablet AUVELITY ER (dextromethorphan/bupropion) tablet Bupropion XL (generic Forfivo XL) tablet CELEXA (citalopram) tablet Citalopram hydrobromide capsule CYMBALTA (duloxetine) capsule Desvenlafaxine fumarate ER tablet DRIZALMA (duloxetine) sprinkle capsule EFFEXOR XR (venlafaxine ER) capsule Escitalopram solution FETZIMA (levomilnacipran ER) capsule, titration pack Fluoxetine IR tablet, DR capsule Fluvoxamine ER capsule FORFIVO XL (bupropion ER) tablet LEXAPRO (escitalopram) tablet Nefazodone tablet	<p>Non-preferred products may be approved for members who have failed adequate trial with two preferred newer generation anti-depressant products. If two preferred newer generation anti-depressant products are not available for indication being treated, approval of prior authorization for non-preferred products will require adequate trial of all preferred products FDA approved for that indication (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 6-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction).</p> <p>Zurzuvae (zuranolone) may be approved if meeting the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member is ≥ 18 years of age AND • Member has a diagnosis of postpartum depression based on Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM-5) criteria for a major depressive episode AND • Member is not currently pregnant AND • Prescriber attests that the member has been counseled and has been engaged in shared decision making with regard to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The importance of effective contraception during zuranolone treatment, as zuranolone may cause fetal harm AND ○ The potential risks for the breastfed child and the lack of data supporting safe use of zuranolone during lactation AND ○ Consideration for the favorable long-term safety data associated with use of SSRIs as first-line, recommended therapies for perinatal depressive disorders by the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG) or SNRIs as reasonable ACOG-recommended alternatives <p style="text-align: center;">AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prescriber attests that the member has been counseled to refrain from engaging in potentially hazardous activities requiring mental alertness, including driving, for ≥ 12 hours after each zuranolone dose AND • The member has been counseled to take the medication with 400 to 1,000 calories of food containing 25% to 50% fat AND

	<p>Paroxetine CR/ER tablet, suspension Paroxetine mesylate capsule PAXIL (paroxetine) tablet, suspension PAXIL CR (paroxetine ER) tablet PEXEVA (paroxetine mesylate) tablet PRISTIQ (desvenlafaxine succinate ER) tablet PROZAC (fluoxetine) Pulvule REMERON (mirtazapine) Soltab (ODT), tablet Sertraline capsule TRINTELLIX (vortioxetine) tablet Venlafaxine ER tablet Venlafaxine besylate ER tablet VIIBRYD (vilazodone) tablet, dose pack Vilazodone tablet WELLBUTRIN SR, XL (bupropion) tablet ZOLOFT (sertraline) tablet, oral concentrate ZURZUVAE (zuranolone) capsule</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If patient is taking another oral antidepressant medication, the dose has been stable for ≥ 30 days AND • Prescriber verifies that concomitant medications have been assessed for potential drug interactions (CNS depressants, CYP3A4 inhibitors, CYP3A4 inducers) and any needed dosage adjustments for zuranolone have been made in accordance with package labeling AND • Baseline renal and hepatic function have been assessed and prescriber verifies that dosing is appropriate in accordance with package labeling. <p><u>Quantity Limit:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zurzuvae 20 mg and 25 mg: 28 capsules/14 days • Zurzuvae 30 mg: 14 capsules/14 days <p><u>Maximum dose:</u> 50 mg once daily</p> <p><u>Duration of Approval:</u> Approval will allow 30 days to fill for one 14-day course of treatment per postpartum period</p> <p>Citalopram doses higher than 40mg/day for ≤ 60 years of age and 20mg/day for >60 years of age will require prior authorization. Please see the FDA guidance at: https://www.fda.gov/drugs/drugsafety/ucm297391.htm for important safety information.</p> <p>Members currently stabilized on a non-preferred newer generation antidepressant may receive approval to continue on that agent for one year if medically necessary. Verification may be provided from the prescriber or the pharmacy.</p>
Therapeutic Drug Class: MONOAMINE OXIDASE INHIBITORS (MAOIs) -Effective 4/1/2024		
	<p style="text-align: center;">PA Required</p> <p>EMSAM (selegiline) patch MARPLAN (isocarboxazid) tablet NARDIL (phenelzine) tablet Phenelzine tablet Tranlycypromine tablet</p>	<p>Non-preferred products may be approved for members who have failed adequate trial (8 weeks) with three preferred anti-depressant products. If three preferred anti-depressant products are not available for indication being treated, approval of prior authorization for non-preferred products will require adequate trial of all preferred anti-depressant products FDA approved for that indication. (Failure is defined as: lack of efficacy after 8-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction)</p> <p>Members currently stabilized on a Non-preferred MAOI antidepressant may receive approval to continue that agent for one year if medically necessary. Verification may be provided from the prescriber or the pharmacy.</p>

Therapeutic Drug Class: **TRICYCLIC ANTI-DEPRESSANTS (TCAs)** -Effective 4/1/2024

No PA Required	PA Required	
<p>Amitriptyline tablet</p> <p>Clomipramine capsule</p> <p>Desipramine tablet</p> <p>Doxepin 10mg, 25mg, 50mg, 75mg, 100mg, 150mg capsule, oral concentrate</p> <p>Imipramine HCl tablet</p> <p>Nortriptyline capsule</p>	<p><i>Non-preferred brand name medications do not require a prior authorization when the equivalent generic is preferred and “dispense as written” is indicated on the prescription.</i></p> <p>Amoxapine tablet</p> <p>ANAFRANIL (clomipramine) capsule</p> <p>Imipramine pamoate capsule</p> <p>NORPRAMIN (desipramine) tablet</p> <p>Nortriptyline solution</p> <p>PAMELOR (nortriptyline) capsule</p> <p>Protriptyline tablet</p> <p>Trimipramine capsule</p>	<p>Non-preferred products may be approved for members who have failed adequate trial (8 weeks) with three preferred tricyclic products. If three preferred products are not available for indication being treated, approval of prior authorization for non-preferred products will require adequate trial of all tricyclic preferred products FDA approved for that indication. (Failure is defined as: lack of efficacy after 8-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction)</p> <p>Members currently stabilized on a non-preferred tricyclic antidepressant may receive approval to continue on that agent for one year if medically necessary. Verification may be provided from the prescriber or the pharmacy.</p>

Therapeutic Drug Class: **ANTI-PARKINSON’S AGENTS** -Effective 4/1/2024

Dopa decarboxylase inhibitors, dopamine precursors and combinations

No PA Required	PA Required	
<p>Carbidopa/Levodopa IR, ER tablet</p> <p>Carbidopa/Levodopa/Entacapone tablet</p>	<p>Carbidopa tablet</p> <p>Carbidopa/Levodopa ODT</p> <p>DHIVY (carbidopa/levodopa) tablet</p> <p>DUOPA (carbidopa/levodopa) suspension</p> <p>INBRIJA (levodopa) capsule for inhalation</p> <p>LODOSYN (carbidopa) tablet</p> <p>RYTARY ER (carbidopa/levodopa) capsule</p> <p>SINEMET (carbidopa/levodopa) IR tablet</p> <p>STALEVO (carbidopa/levodopa/ entacapone) tablet</p>	<p>Non-preferred agents may be approved with adequate trial and failure of carbidopa-levodopa IR and ER formulations (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with a 4-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions).</p> <p>Carbidopa or levodopa single agent products may be approved for members with diagnosis of Parkinson’s Disease as add-on therapy to carbidopa-levodopa.</p> <p>Non-preferred medications that <u>are not</u> prescribed for Parkinson’s Disease (or an indication related to Parkinson’s Disease) may receive approval for other FDA-labeled indications without meeting trial and failure step therapy criteria.</p> <p>Members with history of trial and failure of a non-preferred Parkinson’s Disease agent that is the brand/generic equivalent of a preferred product (same strength, dosage form and active ingredient) may be considered as having met a trial and failure of the equivalent preferred.</p> <p>Members currently stabilized on a non-preferred product may receive approval to continue therapy with that product.</p>

MAO-B inhibitors

No PA Required	PA Required	
<p>Rasagiline tablet</p> <p>Selegiline capsule, tablet</p>	<p>AZILECT (rasagiline) tablet</p> <p>XADAGO (safinamide) tablet</p> <p>ZELAPAR (selegiline) ODT</p>	<p>Non-preferred agents may be approved with adequate trial and failure of selegiline capsule or tablet (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with a 4-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions).</p> <p>Non-preferred medications that are not prescribed for Parkinson’s Disease (or an indication related to Parkinson’s Disease) may receive approval for other FDA-labeled indications without meeting trial and failure step therapy criteria.</p> <p>Members with history of trial and failure of a non-preferred Parkinson’s Disease agent that is the brand/generic equivalent of a preferred product (same strength, dosage form and active ingredient) may be considered as having met a trial and failure of the equivalent preferred.</p> <p>Members currently stabilized on a non-preferred product may receive approval to continue therapy with that product.</p>

Dopamine Agonists

No PA Required	PA Required	
<p>Pramipexole IR tablet</p> <p>Ropinirole IR tablet</p>	<p>APOKYN (apomorphine) SC cartridge</p> <p>Apomorphine SC cartridge</p> <p>Bromocriptine capsule, tablet</p> <p>KYNMOBI (apomorphine) SL film</p> <p>MIRAPEX (pramipexole) ER tablet</p> <p>NEUPRO (rotigotine) patch</p> <p>PARLODEL (bromocriptine) capsule, tablet</p> <p>Pramipexole ER tablet</p> <p>Ropinirole ER tablet</p>	<p>Non-preferred agents may be approved with adequate trial and failure of ropinirole IR AND pramipexole IR (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 4-week trial, documented contraindication to therapy, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions).</p> <p>APOKYN (apomorphine subcutaneous cartridge) may be approved if meeting the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • APOKYN (apomorphine) is being used as an adjunct to other medications for acute, intermittent treatment of hypomobility, “off” episodes ("end-of-dose wearing off" and unpredictable "on/off" episodes) in patients with advanced Parkinson’s disease AND • Due to the risk of profound hypotension and loss of consciousness, member is not concomitantly using a 5HT3 antagonist such as ondansetron, granisetron, dolasetron, palonosetron or alosetron. <p>Maximum dose: 6mg (0.6mL) three times per day</p> <p>KYNMOBI (apomorphine sublingual film) may be approved if meeting the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KYNMOBI (apomorphine) is being used for the acute, intermittent treatment of “off” episodes in patients with Parkinson's disease AND • Due to the risk of profound hypotension and loss of consciousness, member must not be concomitantly using a 5HT3 antagonist such as ondansetron, granisetron, dolasetron, palonosetron or alosetron. <p>Maximum dose: 30mg five times per day</p>

		<p>Non-preferred medications that <u>are not</u> prescribed for Parkinson’s Disease (or an indication related to Parkinson’s Disease) may receive approval for other FDA-labeled indications without meeting trial and failure step therapy criteria.</p> <p>Members with history of trial and failure of a non-preferred Parkinson’s Disease agent that is the brand/generic equivalent of a preferred product (same strength, dosage form and active ingredient) may be considered as having met a trial and failure of the equivalent preferred.</p> <p>Members currently stabilized on a non-preferred product may receive approval to continue therapy with that product.</p>
Other Parkinson’s agents		
No PA Required	PA Required	
Amantadine capsule, solution/syrup	Amantadine tablet	<p>Non-preferred agents may be approved with adequate trial and failure of two preferred agents (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 4-week trial, documented contraindication to therapy, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions).</p> <p>Non-preferred medications that <u>are not</u> prescribed for Parkinson’s Disease (or an indication related to Parkinson’s Disease) may receive approval for other FDA-labeled indications without meeting trial and failure step therapy criteria.</p> <p>Members with history of trial and failure of a non-preferred Parkinson’s Disease agent that is the brand/generic equivalent of a preferred product (same strength, dosage form and active ingredient) may be considered as having met a trial and failure of the equivalent preferred.</p> <p>Members currently stabilized on a non-preferred product may receive approval to continue therapy with that product.</p>
Benztropine tablet	COMTAN (entacapone) tablet	
Trihexyphenidyl tablet, elixir	Entacapone tablet	
	GOCOVRI ER (amantadine ER) capsule	
	NOURIANZ (istradefylline) tablet	
	ONGENTYS (opicapone) capsule	
	OSMOLEX ER (amantadine) tablet	
	TASMAR (tolcapone) tablet	
	Tolcapone tablet	
Therapeutic Drug Class: BENZODIAZEPINES (NON-SEDATIVE HYPNOTIC) Effective 4/1/2024		
No PA Required (*may be subject to age limitations)	PA Required	
Alprazolam IR, ER tablet*	Alprazolam ODT, oral concentrate	<p>Non-preferred products may be approved following trial and failure of three preferred agents. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, contraindication to therapy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interactions.</p> <p><u>Children:</u> Prior authorization will be required for all agents when prescribed for children <18 years of age (with the exception of oral solution products) and may be approved with prescriber verification of necessity of use for member age.</p> <p>Diazepam Intensol may be approved following trial and failure of the preferred 5 mg/5 mL oral solution. Failure is defined as intolerable side effects, drug-drug interaction, or lack of efficacy.</p>
Chlordiazepoxide capsule*	ATIVAN (lorazepam) tablet	
Clonazepam tablet, ODT	Diazepam Intensol	
Clorazepate tablet*	KLONOPIN (clonazepam) tablet	
Diazepam tablet*, solution	LOREEV (lorazepam ER) capsule	
	XANAX (alprazolam) tablet	

<p>Lorazepam tablet*, oral concentrate</p> <p>Oxazepam capsule*</p>	<p>XANAX XR (alprazolam ER) tablet</p>	<p>All benzodiazepine anxiolytics will require prior authorization for members ≥ 65 years of age when exceeding 90 days of therapy.</p> <p>Continuation of Therapy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Members < 65 years of age who are currently stabilized on a non-preferred benzodiazepine medication may receive approval to continue that medication. Members < 18 years of age who are currently stabilized on a non-preferred oral solution product may receive authorization to continue that medication. <p>Prior authorization will be required for prescribed doses that exceed the maximum (Table 1).</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="1073 461 1961 1515"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="3">Table 1 Maximum Doses</th> </tr> <tr> <th>Product</th> <th>Maximum Daily Dose</th> <th>Maximum Monthly Dose</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Alprazolam tablet</td> <td rowspan="5"> <u>Adults ≥ 18 years:</u> 10 mg/day </td> <td rowspan="5">Total of 300 mg from all dosage forms per 30 days</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Alprazolam ER tablet</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Alprazolam ODT</td> </tr> <tr> <td>XANAX (alprazolam) tablet</td> </tr> <tr> <td>XANAX XR (alprazolam ER) tablet</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Alprazolam Intensol oral concentrate 1 mg/mL</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Clorazepate tablet</td> <td rowspan="2"> <u>≥ 12 years:</u> 90 mg/day <u>Children 9-12 years:</u> up to 60 mg/day </td> <td rowspan="2">Total of 2,700 mg (adults) and 1,800 mg (children) from all tablet strengths per 30 days</td> </tr> <tr> <td>TRANXENE (clorazepate) T-Tab</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Chlordiazepoxide capsule</td> <td> <u>Adults ≥ 18 years:</u> 300 mg/day <u>Children 6-17 years:</u> up to 40 mg/day (pre-operative apprehension and anxiety) </td> <td>Total of 9,000 mg (adults) and 120 mg (children, pre-op therapy) from all tablet strengths per 30 days</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Diazepam Intensol oral concentrate 5 mg/mL</td> <td rowspan="3"> <u>Adults ≥ 18 years:</u> 40 mg/day <u>Members age 6 months to 17 years:</u> up to 10 mg/day </td> <td rowspan="3">Total of 1200 mg (adults) and 300 mg (pediatrics) from all dosage forms per 30 days</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Diazepam solution 5 mg/5 mL</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Diazepam tablet</td> </tr> <tr> <td>ATIVAN (lorazepam) Intensol concentrate 2 mg/mL</td> <td rowspan="2"> <u>Adults ≥ 18 years:</u> 10 mg/day <u>Children:</u> N/A </td> <td rowspan="2">Total of 300 mg from all dosage forms per 30 days</td> </tr> <tr> <td>ATIVAN (lorazepam) tablet</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Table 1 Maximum Doses			Product	Maximum Daily Dose	Maximum Monthly Dose	Alprazolam tablet	<u>Adults ≥ 18 years:</u> 10 mg/day	Total of 300 mg from all dosage forms per 30 days	Alprazolam ER tablet	Alprazolam ODT	XANAX (alprazolam) tablet	XANAX XR (alprazolam ER) tablet	Alprazolam Intensol oral concentrate 1 mg/mL			Clorazepate tablet	<u>≥ 12 years:</u> 90 mg/day <u>Children 9-12 years:</u> up to 60 mg/day	Total of 2,700 mg (adults) and 1,800 mg (children) from all tablet strengths per 30 days	TRANXENE (clorazepate) T-Tab	Chlordiazepoxide capsule	<u>Adults ≥ 18 years:</u> 300 mg/day <u>Children 6-17 years:</u> up to 40 mg/day (pre-operative apprehension and anxiety)	Total of 9,000 mg (adults) and 120 mg (children, pre-op therapy) from all tablet strengths per 30 days	Diazepam Intensol oral concentrate 5 mg/mL	<u>Adults ≥ 18 years:</u> 40 mg/day <u>Members age 6 months to 17 years:</u> up to 10 mg/day	Total of 1200 mg (adults) and 300 mg (pediatrics) from all dosage forms per 30 days	Diazepam solution 5 mg/5 mL	Diazepam tablet	ATIVAN (lorazepam) Intensol concentrate 2 mg/mL	<u>Adults ≥ 18 years:</u> 10 mg/day <u>Children:</u> N/A	Total of 300 mg from all dosage forms per 30 days	ATIVAN (lorazepam) tablet
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		Oxazepam capsule	Adults > 18 years: 120 mg/day Children 6-18 years: absolute dosage not established	Total of 3600 mg from all dosage forms per 30 days

Therapeutic Drug Class: ANXIOLYTIC, NON- BENZODIAZEPINES - Effective 4/1/2024

No PA Required		
Buspirone tablet		Non-preferred products may be approved following trial and failure of buspirone. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, contraindication to therapy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interactions.

Therapeutic Drug Class: ATYPICAL ANTI-PSYCHOTICS - Oral and Topical- Effective 4/1/2024

The following injectable products are not self-administered and are dispensed according to FDA label without being subject to PDL criteria: Aristada (aripiprazole lauroxil) IM, Aristada Initio (aripiprazole lauroxil) IM, Abilify Maintena (aripiprazole) IM, Invega Sustenna (paliperidone palmitate) IM, Invega Trinza (paliperidone palmitate) IM, Invega Hafyera (paliperidone palmitate) IM, Zyprexa Relprevv (olanzapine pamoate) IM, Risperdal Consta (risperidone) IM, Perseris (risperidone) SC, Geodon (ziprasidone) IM. See Appendix P for more information.

No PA Required (unless indicated by criteria)*	PA Required	
Aripiprazole tablet	<i>Non-preferred brand name medications do not require a prior authorization when the equivalent generic is preferred and “dispense as written” is indicated on the prescription.</i>	<p>*Vraylar (cariprazine) may be approved for members after trial and failure of one preferred agent. Failure is defined as contraindication, lack of efficacy with 6-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, significant drug-drug interactions, or known interacting genetic polymorphism that prevents safe preferred product dosing.</p> <p>Non-preferred products may be approved for members meeting all of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medication is being prescribed for an FDA-Approved indication AND • Prescription meets dose and age limitations (Table 1) AND • Member has history of trial and failure of two preferred products with FDA approval for use for the prescribed indication (failure defined as lack of efficacy with 6-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, contraindication, significant drug-drug interactions, or known interacting genetic polymorphism that prevents safe preferred product dosing) <p>**Age Limits: All products including preferred products will require a PA for members younger than the FDA approved age for the agent (Table 1). Members younger than the FDA approved age for the agent who are currently stabilized on an atypical antipsychotic will be eligible for approval.</p> <p>Atypical Antipsychotic prescriptions for members under 5 years of age may require a provider-provider telephone consult with a child and adolescent psychiatrist (provided at no cost to provider or member).</p> <p>***Quetiapine IR when given at subtherapeutic doses may be restricted for therapy. Low-dose quetiapine (<150mg/day) is only FDA approved as part of a drug titration schedule to aid patients in getting to the target quetiapine dose. PA will be required for</p>
Clozapine tablet		
Lurasidone tablet	ABILIFY (aripiprazole) tablet, MyCite	
Olanzapine tablet, ODT	Aripiprazole oral solution, ODT	
Paliperidone ER tablet	Asenapine SL tablet	
Quetiapine IR tablet***	CAPLYTA (lumateperone) capsule	
Quetiapine ER tablet	Clozapine ODT	
Risperidone ODT, oral solution, tablet	CLOZARIL (clozapine) tablet, ODT	
SAPHRIS ^{B^{NR}} (asenapine) SL tablet	GEODON (ziprasidone) capsule	
VRAYLAR (cariprazine) capsule*	INVEGA ER (paliperidone) tablet	
	LATUDA (lurasidone) tablet	

Ziprasidone capsule	<p>LYBALVI (olanzapine/samidorphan) tablet</p> <p>NUPLAZID (pimavanserin) capsule, tablet</p> <p>Olanzapine/Fluoxetine capsule</p> <p>REXULTI (brexpiprazole) dose pack, tablet</p> <p>RISPERDAL (risperidone) tablet, oral solution</p> <p>SECUADO (asenapine) patch</p> <p>SEROQUEL IR (quetiapine IR) tablet***</p> <p>SEROQUEL XR (quetiapine ER) tablet</p> <p>SYMBYAX (olanzapine/fluoxetine) capsule</p> <p>VERSACLOZ (clozapine) suspension</p> <p>ZYPREXA (olanzapine) tablet</p> <p>ZYPREXA ZYDIS (olanzapine) ODT</p>	<p>quetiapine < 150mg per day except for utilization (when appropriate) in members 65 years or older. PA will be approved for members 10-17 years of age with approved diagnosis (Table 1) stabilized on <150mg quetiapine IR per day.</p> <p>Aripiprazole solution: Aripiprazole <u>tablet</u> quantity limit is 2 tablets/day for pediatric members to allow for incremental dose titration and use of the preferred tablet formulation should be considered for dose titrations when possible and clinically appropriate. If incremental dose cannot be achieved with titration of the aripiprazole tablet for members < 18 years of age OR for members unable to swallow solid tablet dosage form, aripiprazole solution may be approved. For all other cases, aripiprazole solution is subject to meeting non-preferred product approval criteria listed above.</p> <p>Nuplazid (pimavanserin tartrate) may be approved for the treatment of hallucinations and delusions associated with Parkinson’s Disease psychosis AND following trial and failure of therapy with quetiapine or clozapine, or clinical rationale is provided supporting why these medications cannot be trialed. Failure will be defined as contraindication, intolerable side effects, drug-drug interaction, or lack of efficacy.</p> <p>Abilify MyCite may be approved if meeting all of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member has history of adequate trial and failure of 5 preferred agents (one trial must include aripiprazole tablet). Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 6-week trial on maximally tolerated dose, allergy, intolerable side effects, significant drug-drug interactions AND • Information is provided regarding adherence measures being recommended by provider and followed by member (such as medication organizer or digital medication reminders) AND • Member has history of adequate trial and failure of 3 long-acting injectable formulations of atypical antipsychotics, one of which must contain aripiprazole (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 8-week trial, contraindication, allergy, intolerable side effects, significant drug-drug interactions) AND • Abilify MyCite is being used with a MyCite patch and member is using a compatible mobile application. AND • Medication adherence information is being shared with their provider via a web portal or dashboard. <p><u>Quantity Limits:</u> Quantity limits will be applied to all products (Table 1). In order to receive approval for off-label dosing, the member must have an FDA approved indication and must have tried and failed on the FDA approved dosing regimen.</p> <p>Members currently stabilized on a non-preferred atypical antipsychotic may receive approval to continue therapy with that agent for one year.</p>
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Table 1 Atypical Antipsychotics – FDA Approved Indication, Age Range, Quantity and Maximum Dose

Brand	Generic	Approved Indications	Age Range	Maximum Daily Dose by Age/Indication	Quantity and Maximum Dose Limitations
ABILIFY	aripiprazole	Schizophrenia Bipolar I Disorder Bipolar I Disorder Irritability w/autistic disorder Tourette's disorder Adjunctive treatment of MDD	≥ 13 years ≥ 18 years 10-17 years 6-17 years 6-18 years ≥ 18 years	30 mg 30 mg 30 mg 15 mg 20 mg (weight-based) 15 mg	Maximum one tablet per day (maximum of two tablets per day allowable for members < 18 years of age to accommodate for incremental dose changes)
CLOZARIL	clozapine	Treatment-resistant schizophrenia Recurrent suicidal behavior in schizophrenia or schizoaffective disorder	≥ 18 years	900 mg	Maximum dosage of 900mg per day
CAPLYTA	lumateperone	Schizophrenia Bipolar I Disorder Bipolar II Disorder	≥ 18 years	42 mg	Maximum dosage of 42mg per day
	clozapine	Treatment-resistant schizophrenia Recurrent suicidal behavior in schizophrenia or schizoaffective disorder	≥ 18 years	900 mg	Maximum dosage of 900mg per day
FANAPT	iloperidone	Schizophrenia	≥ 18 years	24 mg	Maximum two tablets per day
GEODON	ziprasidone	Schizophrenia Bipolar I Disorder	≥ 18 years ≥ 18 years	200 mg 160 mg	Maximum two capsules per day
INVEGA	paliperidone	Schizophrenia & schizoaffective disorder	≥ 12 years and weight ≥ 51 kg ≥ 12 years and weight < 51 kg	12 mg 6 mg	Maximum one capsule per day
LATUDA	lurasidone	Schizophrenia Schizophrenia Bipolar I disorder Bipolar I disorder	≥ 18 years 13-17 years ≥ 18 years 10-17 years	160 mg 80 mg 120 mg 80 mg	Maximum one tablet per day (If dosing 160mg for schizophrenia, then max of two tablets per day)
NUPLAZID	pimavanserin	Parkinson's disease psychosis	≥ 18 years	34 mg	Maximum dosage of 34mg per day
RISPERDAL	risperidone	Schizophrenia Schizophrenia Bipolar mania Irritability w/autistic disorder	≥ 18 years 13-17 years ≥ 10 years 5-17 years	16 mg 6 mg 6 mg 3 mg	Maximum dosage of 16mg/day (4 tablet/day limitation applied in claims system to allow for dose escalation and tapering)
REXULTI	brexpiprazole	Schizophrenia Adjunctive treatment of MDD Agitation associated with Alzheimer's disease (AD)	≥ 13 years ≥ 18 years	4 mg 3 mg	Maximum of 3mg/day for MDD adjunctive therapy, and agitation due to AD, Maximum of 4mg/day for schizophrenia
SAPHRIS	asenapine	Schizophrenia Bipolar mania or mixed episodes	≥ 18 years ≥ 10 years	20 mg 20 mg	Maximum two tablets per day

SECUADO	asenapine patch	Schizophrenia	≥ 18 years	7.6 mg/ 24 hours	Maximum 1 patch per day
SEROQUEL	quetiapine	Schizophrenia Schizophrenia Bipolar I mania or mixed Bipolar I mania or mixed Bipolar I depression Bipolar I Disorder Maintenance	≥ 18 years 13-17 years ≥ 18 years 10-17 years ≥ 18 years ≥ 18 years	750 mg 800 mg 800 mg 600 mg 300 mg 800 mg	Maximum three tablets per day
SEROQUEL XR	quetiapine ER	Schizophrenia Bipolar I mania Bipolar I mania Bipolar I depression Adjunctive treatment of MDD	≥ 13 years ≥ 18 years 10-17 years ≥ 18 years ≥ 18 years	800 mg 800 mg 600 mg 300 mg 300 mg	Maximum one tablet per day (for 300mg & 400mg tablets max 2 tablets per day)
SYMBYAX	olanzapine/ fluoxetine	Acute depression in Bipolar I Disorder Treatment resistant depression (MDD)	≥ 10 years	12 mg olanzapine/ 50 mg fluoxetine	Maximum three capsules per day (18mg olanzapine/75mg fluoxetine)
VRAYLAR	cariprazine	Schizophrenia Acute manic or mixed episodes with Bipolar I disorder Depressive episodes with Bipolar I disorder Adjunctive treatment of MDD	≥ 18 years ≥ 18 years ≥ 18 years ≥ 18 years	6 mg 6 mg 3 mg 3 mg	Maximum dosage of 6mg/day
ZYPREXA ZYPREXA ZYDIS	olanzapine	Schizophrenia Acute manic or mixed episodes with Bipolar I disorder	≥ 13 years	20 mg	Maximum one tablet per day

Therapeutic Drug Class: CALCITONIN GENE – RELATED PEPTIDE INHIBITORS (CGRPs) -Effective 4/1/2024

PA Required for all agents		*Preferred agents may be approved if meeting the following criteria:
Preferred	Non-Preferred	
* AIMOVIG (erenumab-aooe) auto-injector	EMGALITY (galcanezumab-gnlm) 100 mg syringe	<p><u>Preferred Medications for Migraine Prevention (must meet all of the following):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The requested medication is being used as preventive therapy for episodic or chronic migraine AND Member has diagnosis of migraine with or without aura AND Member has tried and failed 2 oral preventive pharmacological agents listed as Level A per the most current American Headache Society/American Academy of Neurology guidelines (such as divalproex, topiramate, metoprolol, propranolol). Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction OR If the prescribed medication is Nurtec, the member has tried and failed two preferred injectable product formulations. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, contraindication to therapy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction. <p><u>Preferred Medications for Acute Migraine Treatment (must meet all of the following):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The requested medication is being used as acute treatment for migraine headache AND Member has history of trial and failure of two triptans (failure is defined as lack of efficacy
* AJOVY (fremanezumab-vfrm) auto-injector, syringe	QULIPTA (atogepant) tablet	
* EMGALITY (galcanezumab-gnlm) pen, 120 mg syringe	ZAVZPRET (zavegepant) nasal	
* NURTEC (rimegepant) ODT		
* UBRELVY (ubrogepant) tablet		

with 4-week trial, contraindication to therapy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction).

Non-Preferred Medications for Migraine Prevention (must meet all of the following):

- The requested medication is being used as preventive therapy for episodic or chronic migraine AND
- Member has diagnosis of migraine with or without aura AND
- Member has tried and failed two oral preventive pharmacological agents listed as Level A per the most current American Headache Society/American Academy of Neurology guidelines (such as divalproex, topiramate, metoprolol, propranolol). Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction AND
- The requested medication is not being used in combination with another CGRP medication AND
- The member has history of adequate trial and failure of all preferred products indicated for preventive therapy (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 4-week trial, contraindication to therapy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction).

Non-Preferred Medications for Acute Migraine Treatment (must meet all of the following):

- Member is 18 years of age or older AND
- Medication is being prescribed to treat migraine headache with moderate to severe pain AND
- The requested medication is not being used in combination with another CGRP medication AND
- Member has history of trial and failure with all of the following (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 4-week trial, allergy, contraindication, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction):
 - Two triptans AND
 - One NSAID agent AND
 - One preferred agent indicated for acute migraine treatment

Non-Preferred Medications for Treatment of Episodic Cluster Headache (must meet all of the following):

- Member is 19-65 years of age AND
- Member meets diagnostic criteria for episodic cluster headache (has had no more than 8 attacks per day, a minimum of one attack every other day, and at least 4 attacks during the week prior to this medication being prescribed) AND
- Member is not taking other preventive medications to reduce the frequency of cluster headache attacks AND
- Member has history of trial and failure of all of the following (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 4-week trial, contraindication to therapy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction):
 - Oxygen therapy AND
 - Sumatriptan subcutaneous or intranasal OR zolmitriptan intranasal

- Initial authorization will be limited to 8 weeks. Continuation (12-month authorization) will require documentation of clinically relevant improvement with no less than 30% reduction in headache frequency in a 4-week period.

Age Limitations:

All products: ≥ 18 years

Table 1. Calcitonin Gene-Related Peptide Inhibitor Quantity Limits

Drug Name	Maximum Dosing
Aimovig (erenumab)	one 140 mg autoinjector per 30 days
Ajovy (fremanezumab)	one 225 mg autoinjector or syringe per 30 days or three 225 mg autoinjectors or syringes every 90 days
Emgality 100mg (galcanezumab)	three 100 mg prefilled syringes per 30 days
Emgality 120 mg (galcanezumab)	two 120 mg pens or prefilled syringes once as first loading dose then one 120 mg pen or prefilled syringe per 30 days
Nurtec (rimegepant)	Prevention: 16 tablets/30 days; Acute Treatment: 8 tablets/30 days
Qulipta (atogepant)	30 tablets/30 days
Ubrelvy 50 mg (ubrogepant)	16 tablets/30 days
Ubrelvy 100 mg (ubrogepant)	16 tablets/30 days
ZAVZPRET (zavegepant)	6 unit-dose nasal spray devices per 30 days

Members with current prior authorization approval on file for a preferred agent may receive approval for continuation of therapy with the preferred agent.

Therapeutic Drug Class: LITHIUM AGENTS -Effective 4/1/2024

No PA Required	PA Required	
Lithium carbonate capsule, tablet Lithium citrate solution Lithium ER tablet	<p><i>Non-preferred brand name medications do not require a prior authorization when the equivalent generic is preferred and “dispense as written” is indicated on the prescription.</i></p> <p>LITHOBID ER (lithium ER) tablet</p>	<p>Non-preferred products may be approved with trial and failure of one preferred agent (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 6-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, significant drug-drug interactions, intolerance to dosage form).</p> <p>Members currently stabilized on a non-preferred product may receive approval to continue therapy with that product.</p>

Therapeutic Drug Class: **NEUROCOGNITIVE DISORDER AGENTS** -Effective 4/1/2024

<p>Preferred *Must meet eligibility criteria</p>	<p>Non-Preferred PA Required</p>	<p>*Eligibility criteria for Preferred Agents – Preferred products may be approved for a diagnosis of neurocognitive disorder (eligible for AutoPA automated approval).</p>
<p>*Donepezil 5mg, 10mg tablet</p> <p>*Donepezil ODT</p> <p>*Galantamine IR tablet</p> <p>*Memantine IR tablet, dose pack</p> <p>*Memantine ER capsule</p> <p>*Rivastigmine capsule, patch</p>	<p>ADLARITY (donepezil) patch</p> <p>ARICEPT (donepezil) tablet</p> <p>Donepezil 23mg tablet</p> <p>EXELON (rivastigmine) patch</p> <p>Galantamine solution, ER capsule</p> <p>Memantine IR solution</p> <p>MESTINON (pyridostigmine) IR/ER tablet, syrup</p> <p>NAMENDA (memantine) tablet, dose pack</p> <p>NAMENDA XR (memantine ER) capsule</p> <p>NAMZARIC (memantine/donepezil ER) capsule, dose pack</p> <p>Pyridostigmine syrup, IR/ER tablet</p>	<p>Non-preferred products may be approved if the member has failed treatment with one of the preferred products in the last 12 months. (Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions)</p> <p>Members currently stabilized on a non-preferred product may receive approval to continue on that agent for one year if medically necessary and if there is a diagnosis of neurocognitive disorder.</p>

Therapeutic Drug Class: **SEDATIVE HYPNOTICS** -Effective 4/1/2024

Non-Benzodiazepines

<p>Preferred No PA Required* (Unless age, dose, or duplication criteria apply)</p>	<p>Non-Preferred PA Required</p>	<p>Non-preferred non-benzodiazepine sedative hypnotics may be approved for members who have failed treatment with two preferred non-benzodiazepine agents (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with a 2-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction).</p>
<p>Eszopiclone tablet</p> <p>Ramelteon tablet</p> <p>Zaleplon capsule</p> <p>Zolpidem IR, ER tablet</p>	<p>AMBIEN (zolpidem) tablet</p> <p>AMBIEN CR (zolpidem ER) tablet</p> <p>BELSOMRA (suvorexant) tablet</p> <p>DAYVIGO (lemoborexant) tablet</p> <p>Doxepin tablet</p> <p>EDLUAR (zolpidem) SL tablet</p> <p>HETLIOZ (tasimelteon) capsule</p>	<p><u>Children:</u> Prior authorization will be required for all agents for members < 18 years of age.</p> <p><u>Duplications:</u> Only one agent in the sedative hypnotic drug class will be approved at a time (concomitant use of agents in the same sedative hypnotic class or differing classes will not be approved).</p> <p>All sedative hypnotics will require prior authorization for members ≥ 65 years of age when exceeding 90 days of therapy.</p> <p>Belsomra (suvorexant) may be approved for adult members that meet the following:</p>

	<p>HETLIOZ LQ (tasimelteon) suspension</p> <p>LUNESTA (eszopiclone) tablet</p> <p>QUVIVIQ (daridorexant) tablet</p> <p>ROZEREM (ramelteon) tablet</p> <p>SILENOR (doxepin) tablet</p> <p>Tasimelteon capsule</p> <p>Zolpidem capsule, SL tablet</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member has trialed and failed therapy with two preferred agents (failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction) AND • Member is not receiving strong CYP3A4 inhibitors (such as erythromycin, clarithromycin, telithromycin, itraconazole, ketoconazole, posaconazole, fluconazole, voriconazole, delavirdine, and milk thistle) or strong CYP3A4 inducers (such as carbamazepine, oxcarbazepine, phenobarbital, phenytoin, rifampin, rifabutin, rifapentine, dexamethasone, efavirenz, etravirine, nevirapine, darunavir/ritonavir, ritonavir, and St John’s Wort) AND • Member does not have a diagnosis of narcolepsy <p>Dayvigo (lemborexant) may be approved for adult member that meet the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member has trialed and failed therapy with two preferred agents AND Belsomra (surovexant). Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction AND • Member is not receiving strong CYP3A4 inhibitors (such as erythromycin, clarithromycin, telithromycin, itraconazole, ketoconazole, posaconazole, fluconazole, voriconazole, delavirdine, and milk thistle) or strong CYP3A4 inducers (such as carbamazepine, oxcarbazepine, phenobarbital, phenytoin, rifampin, rifabutin, rifapentine, dexamethasone, efavirenz, etravirine, nevirapine, darunavir/ritonavir, ritonavir, and St John’s Wort) AND • Member does not have a diagnosis of narcolepsy <p>Hetlioz (tasimelteon) capsules may be approved for members meeting the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member is ≥18 years of age and has a documented diagnosis of Non-24-hour sleep wake disorder (Non-24) OR • Member is ≥16 years of age and has a documented diagnosis of nighttime sleep disturbances in Smith-Magenis syndrome (SMS) AND • The requested medication is being prescribed by a sleep specialist or a practitioner who has sufficient education and experience to safely prescribe tasimelteon <p>Hetlioz LQ (tasimelteon) oral suspension may be approved for members meeting the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member is 3 to 15 years of age and has a documented diagnosis of nighttime sleep disturbances in Smith-Magenis Syndrome (SMS) • AND the requested medication is being prescribed by a sleep specialist or a practitioner who has sufficient education and experience to safely prescribe tasimelteon. <p>Silenor (doxepin) may be approved for adult members that meet ONE of the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member has tried and failed two preferred oral sedative hypnotics (Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction) OR • Provider attests to the medical necessity of prescribing individual doxepin doses of less than 10 mg, OR
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- Member's age is ≥ 65 years

Prior authorization will be required for prescribed doses exceeding maximum (Table 1) below.

Benzodiazepines

Preferred No PA Required* (Unless age, dose, or duplication criteria apply)	Non-Preferred PA Required	
Temazepam 15mg, 30mg capsule Triazolam tablet	DORAL (quazepam) tablet Estazolam tablet Flurazepam capsule HALCION (triazolam) tablet Quazepam tablet RESTORIL (temazepam) capsule Temazepam 7.5mg, 22.5mg capsule	<p>Non-preferred benzodiazepine sedative hypnotics may be approved for members who have trialed and failed therapy with two preferred benzodiazepine agents (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with a 2-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction).</p> <p>Temazepam 22.5 mg may be approved if the member has trialed and failed temazepam 15mg or 30mg AND one other preferred product (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with a 2-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction).</p> <p>Temazepam 7.5 mg may be approved if provider attests to the medical necessity of prescribing individual temazepam doses of less than 15 mg.</p> <p><u>Children:</u> Prior authorization will be required for all sedative hypnotic agents when prescribed for members < 18 years of age.</p> <p><u>Duplications:</u> Only one agent in the sedative hypnotic drug class will be approved at a time (concomitant use of agents in the same sedative hypnotic class or differing classes will not be approved).</p> <p>All sedative hypnotics will require prior authorization for member's ≥ 65 years of age when exceeding 90 days of therapy.</p> <p>Members currently stabilized on a non-preferred benzodiazepine medication may receive authorization to continue that medication.</p> <p>Prior authorization will be required for prescribed doses exceeding maximum (Table 1).</p>

Table 1: Sedative Hypnotic Maximum Dosing		
Brand	Generic	Maximum Dose
Non-Benzodiazepine		
Ambien CR	Zolpidem CR	12.5 mg/day
Ambien IR	Zolpidem IR	10 mg/day
Belsomra	Suvorexant	20 mg/day
Dayvigo	Lemborexant	10 mg/day
Edluar	Zolpidem sublingual	10 mg/day
-	Zolpidem sublingual	Men: 3.5mg/day Women: 1.75 mg/day
Hetlioz	Tasimelteon capsule	20 mg/day
Hetlioz LQ	Tasimelteon liquid	≤ 28 kg: 0.7 mg/kg/day > 28 kg : 20 mg/day
Lunesta	Eszopiclone	3 mg/day

Quiviq	Daridorexant	50 mg/day
-	Zaleplon	20 mg/day
Rozerem	Ramelteon	8 mg/day
Benzodiazepine		
Halcion	Triazolam	0.5 mg/day
Restoril	Temazepam	30 mg/day
Silenor	Doxepin	6mg/day
-	Estazolam	2 mg/day
-	Flurazepam	30 mg/day
Doral	Quazepam	15 mg/day

Therapeutic Drug Class: SKELETAL MUSCLE RELAXANTS -Effective 4/1/2024

No PA Required (*if under 65 years of age)	PA Required	
Baclofen tablet	AMRIX ER (cyclobenzaprine ER) capsule	<p>All agents in this class will require a PA for members 65 years of age and older. The maximum allowable approval will be for a 7-day supply.</p> <p>Authorization for any CARISOPRODOL product will be given for a maximum 3-week one-time authorization for members with acute, painful musculoskeletal conditions who have failed treatment with three preferred products within the last 6 months.</p> <p>*Dantrolene may be approved for members who have trialed and failed‡ one preferred agent and meet the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Documentation of age-appropriate liver function tests AND ● One of following diagnoses: Multiple Sclerosis, Cerebral Palsy, stroke, upper motor neuron disorder, or spinal cord injury ● Dantrolene will be approved for the period of one year ● If a member is stabilized on dantrolene, they may continue to receive approval <p>All other non-preferred skeletal muscle relaxants may be approved for members who have trialed and failed‡ three preferred agents. ‡Failure is defined as: lack of efficacy with 14-day trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, contraindication to, or significant drug-drug interactions.</p>
Cyclobenzaprine tablet	Baclofen solution, suspension	
Methocarbamol tablet	Carisoprodol tablet	
Tizanidine tablet	Carisoprodol/Aspirin tablet	
	Chlorzoxazone tablet	
	Cyclobenzaprine ER capsule	
	DANTRIUM (dantrolene) capsule	
	*Dantrolene capsule	
	FEXMID (cyclobenzaprine) tablet	
	FLEQSUVY (baclofen) solution	
	LORZONE (chlorzoxazone) tablet	
	LYVISPAH (baclofen) granules	
	Metaxalone tablet	
	NORGESIC/NORGESIC FORTE (orphenadrine/aspirin/ caffeine) tablet	
	Orphenadrine ER tablet	

	Orphenadrine/Aspirin/Caffeine tablet SOMA (carisoprodol) tablet Tizanidine capsule ZANAFLEX (tizanidine) capsule, tablet	
Therapeutic Drug Class: STIMULANTS AND RELATED AGENTS -Effective 4/1/2024		
<p style="text-align: center;">Preferred</p> <p>*No PA Required (if age, max daily dose, and diagnosis met)</p> <p>ADDERALL XR^{BNR} (mixed amphetamine salts ER) capsule</p> <p>Amphetamine salts, mixed (generic Adderall) tablet</p> <p>Armodafinil tablet</p> <p>Atomoxetine capsule</p> <p>Clonidine ER tablet</p> <p>CONCERTA^{BNR} (methylphenidate ER) tablet</p> <p>DAYTRANA^{BNR} (methylphenidate) patch</p> <p>Dexmethylphenidate IR tablet</p> <p>Dexmethylphenidate ER capsule</p> <p>Guanfacine ER tablet</p> <p>Methylphenidate (generic Methylin/Ritalin) solution, tablet</p> <p>Modafinil tablet</p> <p>VYVANSE^{BNR} (lisdexamfetamine) capsule</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Non-Preferred PA Required</p> <p>ADZENYS XR-ODT (amphetamine)</p> <p>Amphetamine salts, mixed ER (generic Adderall XR) capsule</p> <p>Amphetamine tablet (generic Evekeo)</p> <p>APTENSIO XR (methylphenidate ER) capsule</p> <p>AZSTARYS (serdexmethylphenidate/dexmethylphenidate) capsule</p> <p>COTEMPLA XR-ODT (methylphenidate ER)</p> <p>DESOXYN (methamphetamine) tablet</p> <p>DEXEDRINE (dextroamphetamine) Spansule</p> <p>Dextroamphetamine ER capsule, solution, tablet</p> <p>DYANAVEL XR (amphetamine) suspension, tablet</p> <p>EVEKEO (amphetamine) ODT, tablet</p> <p>FOCALIN (dexmethylphenidate) tablet, XR capsule</p> <p>INTUNIV (guanfacine ER) tablet</p> <p>JORNAY PM (methylphenidate) capsule</p> <p>Lisdexamfetamine capsule, chewable tablet</p>	<p>*Preferred medications may be approved through AutoPA for indications listed in Table 1 (preferred medications may also receive approval for off-label use for fatigue associated with multiple sclerosis).</p> <p>Non-preferred medications may be approved for members meeting the following criteria (for Sunosi (solriamfetol) and Wakix (pitolisant), refer to specific criteria listed below):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prescription meets indication/age limitation criteria (Table 1) AND • <u>If member is ≥ 6 years of age:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Has documented trial and failure‡ with three preferred products in the last 24 months AND ○ If the member is unable to swallow solid oral dosage forms, two of the trials must be methylphenidate solution, dexmethylphenidate ER, Vyvanse, Adderall XR, or any other preferred product that can be taken without the need to swallow a whole capsule. <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>If member is 3–5 years of age:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Has documented trial and failure‡ with one preferred product in the last 24 months AND ○ If the member is unable to swallow solid oral dosage forms, the trial must be methylphenidate solution, dexmethylphenidate ER, Vyvanse, Adderall XR, or any other preferred product that can be taken without the need to swallow a whole capsule. <p>SUNOSI (solriamfetol) prior authorization may be approved if member meets the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member is 18 years of age or older AND • Member has diagnosis of either narcolepsy or obstructive sleep apnea (OSA) and is experiencing excessive daytime sleepiness AND • Member does not have end stage renal disease AND • If Sunosi is being prescribed for OSA, member has 1 month trial of CPAP AND • Member has trial and failure‡ of modafinil AND armodafinil AND one other agent in stimulant PDL class. <p>WAKIX (pitolisant) prior authorization may be approved if member meets the following criteria:</p>

	<p>Methamphetamine tablet</p> <p>METHYLIN (methylphenidate) solution</p> <p>Methylphenidate CD/ER/LA capsule, tablet, chewable tablet, ER tablet (generic Relexxi/Ritalin), ER tablet (generic Concerta), patch</p> <p>MYDAYIS ER (dextroamphetamine/amphetamine) capsule</p> <p>NUVIGIL (armodafinil) tablet</p> <p>PROCENTRA (dextroamphetamine) solution</p> <p>PROVIGIL (modafinil) tablet</p> <p>QELBREE (viloxazine ER) capsule</p> <p>QUILLICHEW ER (methylphenidate) chewable tablet, XR suspension</p> <p>RELEXXII (methylphenidate ER) tablet</p> <p>RITALIN (methylphenidate) IR/ER tablet, ER capsule</p> <p>STRATTERA (atomoxetine) capsule</p> <p>SUNOSI (solriamfetol) tablet</p> <p>VYVANSE (lisdexamfetamine) chewable tablet</p> <p>WAKIX (pitolisant) tablet</p> <p>XELSTRYM (dextroamphetamine) patch</p> <p>ZENZEDI (dextroamphetamine) tablet</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member is 18 years of age or older AND • Member has diagnosis of narcolepsy and is experiencing excessive daytime sleepiness AND • Member does not have end stage renal disease (eGFR <15 mL/minute) AND • Member does not have severe hepatic impairment AND • Member has trial and failure[‡] of modafinil AND armodafinil AND one other agent in the stimulant PDL class AND • Member has been counseled that Wakix may reduce the efficacy of hormonal contraceptives and regarding use an alternative non-hormonal method of contraception during Wakix therapy and for at least 21 days after discontinuing treatment. <p>Maximum Dose (all products): See Table 2</p> <p>Exceeding Max Dose: Prior authorization may be approved for doses that are higher than the listed maximum dose (Table 2) for members meeting the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member is taking medication for indicated use listed in Table 1 AND • Member has 30-day trial and failure[‡] of three different preferred or non-preferred agents at maximum doses listed in Table 2 AND • Documentation of member’s symptom response to maximum doses of three other agents is provided AND • Member is not taking a sedative hypnotic medication (such as temazepam, triazolam, or zolpidem from the Sedative Hypnotic PDL class). <p>[‡]Failure is defined as: lack of efficacy with 4-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p>

Table 1: Diagnosis and Age Limitations

- Approval for medically accepted indications not listed in Table 1 may be given with prior authorization review and may require submission of peer-reviewed literature or medical compendia showing safety and efficacy of the medication used for the prescribed indication.
- Preferred medications may also receive approval for off-label use for fatigue associated with multiple sclerosis if meeting all other criteria for approval.
- **Bolded drug names are preferred** (subject to preferential coverage changes for brand/generic equivalents)

Drug	Diagnosis and Age Limitations
Stimulants–Immediate Release	
Amphetamine sulfate (EVEKEO)	ADHD (Age ≥ 3 years), Narcolepsy (Age ≥ 6 years)
Dexmethylphenidate IR (FOCALIN)	ADHD (Age ≥ 6 years)
Dextroamphetamine IR tablet (ZENZEDI)	ADHD (Age 3 to 16 years), Narcolepsy (Age ≥ 6 years)
Dextroamphetamine solution (PROCENTRA)	ADHD (Age 3 to 16 years), Narcolepsy (Age ≥ 6 years)
Methamphetamine (DESOXYN)	ADHD (Age ≥ 6 years)
methylphenidate IR (generic METHYLIN, RITALIN)	ADHD (Age ≥ 6 years [†]), Narcolepsy (Age ≥ 6 years), OSA. [†] Prior Authorization for members 3-6 years of age with a diagnosis of ADHD may be approved with prescriber attestation to the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member’s symptoms have not significantly improved despite adequate behavior interventions AND • Member experiences moderate-to-severe continued disturbance in functioning AND • Prescriber has determined that the potential benefits of starting methylphenidate before the age of 6 years outweigh the potential harm of delaying treatment.
Mixed amphetamine salts IR (generic ADDERALL)	ADHD (Age ≥ 3 years), Narcolepsy (Age ≥ 6 years)
Stimulants –Extended-Release	
Amphetamine ER (ADZENYS XR-ODT and ADZENYS ER suspension)	ADHD (Age ≥ 6 years)
Amphetamine ER (DYANAVEL XR)	ADHD (Age ≥ 6 years)
Mixedamphetamine salts ER (ADDERALL XR)	ADHD (Age ≥ 6 years)
Dexmethylphenidate ER (generic Focalin XR)	ADHD (Age ≥ 6 years)
Dextroamphetamine ER (DEXEDRINE)	ADHD (Age 6 to 16 years), Narcolepsy (Age ≥ 6 years)
Dextroamphetamine ER/amphetamine ER (MYDAYIS ER)	ADHD (Age ≥ 13 years)
Dextroamphetamine ER patch (XELSTRYM)	ADHD (Age ≥ 6 years)
Lisdexamfetamine dimesylate (VYVANSE capsule , Vyvanse chewable)	ADHD (Age ≥ 6 years), Moderate to severe binge eating disorder in adults (Age ≥ 18 years)
Methylphenidate ER OROS (CONCERTA)	ADHD (Age ≥ 6 years), Narcolepsy (Age ≥ 6 years), OSA
Methylphenidate patch (DAYTRANA)	ADHD (Age ≥ 6 years)
Methylphenidate SR (METADATE ER)	ADHD (Age ≥ 6 years), Narcolepsy (Age ≥ 6 years)
Methylphenidate ER (METADATE CD)	ADHD (Age ≥ 6 years)
Methylphenidate ER (QUILLICHEW ER)	ADHD (Age 6 years to ≤ 65 years), Narcolepsy (Age ≥ 6 years)
Methylphenidate ER (QUILLIVANT XR)	ADHD (Age ≥ 6 years), Narcolepsy (Age ≥ 6 years)

Methylphenidate ER (RELEXXI ER)	ADHD (Age 6 to 65 years)
Methylphenidate ER (RITALIN LA)	ADHD (Age ≥ 6 years)
Methylphenidate ER (ADHANSIA XR)	ADHD (Age ≥ 6 years)
Methylphenidate ER (JORNAY PM)	ADHD (Age ≥ 6 years)
Methylphenidate XR (APTENSIO XR)	ADHD (Age ≥ 6 years)
Methylphenidate XR ODT (COTEMPLA XR-ODT)	ADHD (Age 6 to 17 years)
Serdexmethylphenidate/dexmethylphenidate (AZSTARYS)	ADHD (Age ≥ 6 years)
Non-Stimulants	
Atomoxetine (generic STRATTERA)	ADHD (Age ≥ 6 years)
Clonidine ER	ADHD as monotherapy OR adjunctive therapy to stimulants (Age ≥ 6 years)
Guanfacine ER (generic INTUNIV)	ADHD as monotherapy OR adjunctive therapy to stimulants (Age ≥ 6 years)
Viloxazine ER (QELBREE)	ADHD (Age ≥ 6 years)
Wakefulness-promoting Agents	
Armodafinil (generic NUVIGIL)	Excessive sleepiness associated with narcolepsy, OSA, SWD, and adjunct therapy to treat fatigue and sleepiness in patients with major depressive disorder (MDD) (Age ≥ 18 years)
Modafinil (PROVIGIL)	Excessive sleepiness associated with narcolepsy, OSA, SWD, and adjunct therapy to treat fatigue and sleepiness in patients with major depressive disorder (MDD), antipsychotic medication-related fatigue (Age ≥ 18 years)
Pitolisant (WAKIX)	Excessive sleepiness associated with narcolepsy (Age ≥ 18 years)
Solriamfetol (SUNOSI)	Excessive sleepiness associated with narcolepsy, OSA (Age ≥ 18 years)
KEY: ADHD –attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder, OSA –obstructive sleep apnea, SWD –shift work disorder	

Drug	Maximum Daily Dose
ADDERALL	60 mg
ADDERALL XR	60 mg
ADHANSIA XR	85 mg
ADZENYS XR ODT	18.8 mg (age 6-12)
ADZENYS ER SUSPENSION	12.5 mg (age ≥ 13)
AMPHETAMINE SALTS	40 mg
APTENSIO XR	60 mg
CONCERTA	54 mg (age 6-12) or 72 mg (≥ age 13)
AZSTARYS	52.3 mg serdexmethylphenidate and 10.4 mg dexmethlyphenidate
CLONIDINE ER	0.4 mg
COTEMPLA XR-ODT	51.8 mg
DEXTROAMPHETAMINE ER	60 mg
DAYTRANA	30 mg/9 hour patch (3.3 mg/hr)
DESOXYN	25 mg

DEXEDRINE	60 mg
DYANAVEL XR	20 mg
EVEKEO	60 mg
FOCALIN	20 mg
FOCALIN XR	40 mg
GUANFACINE ER	4 mg (age 6-12) or 7 mg (age ≥ 13)
INTUNIV ER	4 mg (age 6-12) or 7 mg (age ≥ 13)
JORNAY PM	100 mg
METADATE CD	60 mg
METADATE ER	60 mg
METHYLIN	60 mg
METHYLIN ER	60 mg
METHYLIN SUSPENSION	60 mg
METHYLPHENIDATE	60 mg
METHYLPHENIDATE ER	60 mg
MYDAYIS ER	25 mg (age 13-17) or 50 mg (age ≥ 18)
NUVIGIL	250 mg
PROCENTRA	60 mg
PROVIGIL	400 mg
QELBREE	400 mg (age 6-17) or 600 mg (age ≥ 18)
QUILLICHEW ER	60 mg
QUILLIVANT XR	60 mg
RELEXXII	72 mg
RITALIN IR	60 mg
RITALIN SR	60 mg
RITALIN LA	60 mg
STRATTERA	100mg
SUNOSI	150 mg
VYVANSE CAPSULES AND CHEWABLE TABLETS	70 mg
WAKIX	35.6 mg
XELSTRYM ER PATCH	18 mg/9 hours
ZENZEDI	60 mg

Therapeutic Drug Class: TRIPTANS, DITANS AND OTHER MIGRAINE TREATMENTS - Oral -Effective 4/1/2024

No PA Required (Quantity limits may apply)	PA Required	
Eletriptan tablet (generic Relpax) Naratriptan tablet (generic Amerge)	Almotriptan tablet FROVA (frovatriptan) tablet Frovatriptan tablet	Non-preferred oral products may be approved for members who have trialed and failed three preferred oral products. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 4-week trial, allergy, documented contraindication to therapy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction. <u>Note:</u> There is limited information available regarding the safety, tolerability, and efficacy of coadministering lasmiditan with a triptan or a gepant.

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	REYVOW (lasmiditan) tablet											
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	Zolmitriptan ODT											
	ZOMIG (zolmitriptan) tablet											

Therapeutic Drug Class: TRIPTANS, DITANS, AND OTHER MIGRAINE TREATMENTS - Non-Oral -Effective 4/1/2024

<p align="center">No PA Required (Quantity limits may apply)</p> <p align="center"><i>Brand/generic changes effective 02/22/2024*</i></p> <p>IMITREX (sumatriptan) nasal spray</p> <p>IMITREX^{BNR} (sumatriptan) cartridge, pen injector</p> <p>MIGRANAL^{BNR} (dihydroergotamine) nasal spray</p> <p>Sumatriptan nasal spray*, vial</p>	<p align="center">PA Required</p> <p>Dihydroergotamine injection, nasal spray</p> <p>Sumatriptan cartridge, pen injector</p> <p>TOSYMRA (sumatriptan) nasal spray</p> <p>TRUDHESA (dihydroergotamine) nasal spray</p> <p>ZEMBRACE SYMTOUCH (sumatriptan) auto-injector</p> <p>Zolmitriptan nasal spray</p> <p>ZOMIG (zolmitriptan) nasal spray</p>	<p>Zembrace Symtouch injection, Tosymra nasal spray, or Onzetra Xsail nasal powder may be approved for members who have trialed and failed one preferred non-oral triptan products AND two oral triptan agents with different active ingredients. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 4-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, significant drug-drug interaction, or documented inability to take alternative dosage form.</p> <p>All other non-preferred products may be approved for members who have trialed and failed one preferred non-oral triptan product AND one preferred oral triptan product. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 4-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions, documented inability to tolerate dosage form.</p> <p>Quantity Limits:</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Dihydroergotamine mesylate vial 1mg/mL</td> <td>24 vials/ 28 days</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Imitrex (sumatriptan) injection</td> <td>4 injectors / 30 days</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Imitrex (sumatriptan) nasal spray</td> <td>6 inhalers / 30 days</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Migranal (dihydroergotamine mesylate) nasal spray</td> <td>8 nasal spray devices/ 30 days</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Onzetra Xsail (sumatriptan) nasal powder</td> <td>16 nosepieces / 30 days</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tosymra (sumatriptan) nasal spray</td> <td>12 nasal spray devices / 30 days</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Zembrace Symtouch (sumatriptan) injection</td> <td>36mg / 30 days</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Zomig (zolmitriptan) nasal spray</td> <td>6 inhalers / 30 days</td> </tr> </table> <p>Members currently utilizing a non-oral dihydroergotamine product formulation (based on recent claims history) may receive one year approval to continue therapy with that medication.</p>	Dihydroergotamine mesylate vial 1mg/mL	24 vials/ 28 days	Imitrex (sumatriptan) injection	4 injectors / 30 days	Imitrex (sumatriptan) nasal spray	6 inhalers / 30 days	Migranal (dihydroergotamine mesylate) nasal spray	8 nasal spray devices/ 30 days	Onzetra Xsail (sumatriptan) nasal powder	16 nosepieces / 30 days	Tosymra (sumatriptan) nasal spray	12 nasal spray devices / 30 days	Zembrace Symtouch (sumatriptan) injection	36mg / 30 days	Zomig (zolmitriptan) nasal spray	6 inhalers / 30 days
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Therapeutic Drug Class: ACNE AGENTS– Topical -Effective 7/1/2023

<p align="center">Preferred No PA Required (if age and diagnosis criteria are met*)</p>	<p align="center">Non-Preferred PA Required</p>	<p>Authorization for all acne agents prescribed solely for cosmetic purposes will not be approved.</p>
<p>*Adapalene gel</p> <p>*Adapalene/benzoyl peroxide gel (generic Epiduo)</p> <p>*Clindamycin phosphate solution, medicated swab/pledget</p> <p>*Clindamycin/benzoyl peroxide gel jar (generic Benzacilin)</p> <p>*Clindamycin/benzoyl peroxide gel tube (generic Duac)</p> <p>*Dapsone gel</p> <p>*Erythromycin solution</p> <p>*Erythromycin/Benzoyl peroxide gel (generic Benzamycin)</p> <p>*Sulfacetamide sodium suspension</p> <p>*RETIN-A^{BNR} (tretinoin) cream, gel</p>	<p>ACANYA (clindamycin/benzoyl peroxide) gel, pump</p> <p>Adapalene cream, gel pump, solution</p> <p>Adapalene/Benzoyl Peroxide gel pump</p> <p>ALTRENO (tretinoin) lotion</p> <p>AMZEEQ (minocycline) foam</p> <p>ARAZLO (tazarotene) lotion</p> <p>ATRALIN (tretinoin) gel</p> <p>BENZACLIN (clindamycin/benzoyl peroxide) gel, pump</p> <p>BENZAMYCIN (erythromycin/benzoyl peroxide) gel</p> <p>BP (sulfacetamide sodium/sulfur/urea) cleansing wash</p> <p>CLEOCIN (clindamycin) lotion</p> <p>CLINDACIN ETZ/PAC (clindamycin phosphate) kit</p> <p>Clindamycin phosphate foam, gel, lotion</p> <p>Clindamycin/Benzoyl peroxide gel pump</p> <p>Clindamycin/tretinoin gel</p> <p>Dapsone pump</p> <p>ERY/ERYGEL (erythromycin/ethanol) gel, medicated swabs/pads</p> <p>Erythromycin gel</p>	<p>Preferred topical clindamycin and erythromycin products may be approved by AutoPA verification of ICD-10 diagnosis code for acne vulgaris, psoriasis, cystic acne, comedonal acne, disorders of keratinization, neoplasms, folliculitis, hidradenitis suppurativa, or perioral dermatitis (erythromycin only). Approval of preferred topical clindamycin and erythromycin products for other medically accepted indications may be considered following clinical prior authorization review by a call center pharmacist.</p> <p>All other preferred topical acne agents may be approved if meeting the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For members > 25 years of age, may be approved following prescriber verification that the medication is not being utilized for cosmetic purposes AND prescriber verification that the indicated use is for acne vulgaris, psoriasis, cystic acne, disorders of keratinization, neoplasms, or comedonal acne. These medications are only eligible for prior authorization approval for the aforementioned diagnoses. For members ≤ 25 years of age, may be approved for a diagnosis of acne vulgaris, psoriasis, cystic acne, disorders of keratinization, neoplasms, or comedonal acne. Diagnosis will be verified through automated verification (AutoPA) of the appropriate corresponding ICD-10 diagnosis code related to the indicated use of the medication. <p>Non-preferred topical products may be approved for members meeting all of the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member has trialed/failed three preferred topical products with different mechanisms (such as tretinoin, antibiotic). Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction AND Prescriber verification that the medication is being prescribed for one of the following diagnoses: acne vulgaris, psoriasis, cystic acne, disorders of keratinization, neoplasms, or comedonal acne.

	<p>EVOCLIN (clindamycin) foam</p> <p>FABIOR (tazarotene) foam</p> <p>KLARON (sulfacetamide) suspension</p> <p>NEUAC (clindamycin/benzoyl peroxide/emollient) kit</p> <p>ONEXTON (clindamycin/benzoyl peroxide) gel, gel pump</p> <p>RETIN-A MICRO (tretinoin) (all products)</p> <p>ROSULA (sulfacetamide sodium/sulfur) cloths, wash</p> <p>SSS 10-5 (sulfacetamide sodium/sulfur) foam</p> <p>Sulfacetamide sodium cleanser, cleansing gel, lotion, shampoo, wash</p> <p>Sulfacetamide sodium/sulfur cleanser, cream, pad, suspension, wash</p> <p>SUMADAN/XLT (sulfacetamide sodium/sulfur) kit, wash</p> <p>SUMAXIN/ CP/TS (sulfacetamide sodium/sulfur) kit, pads, suspension, wash</p> <p>Tazarotene cream, foam</p> <p>Tretinoin (all products)</p> <p>Tretinoin microspheres (all products)</p> <p>WINLEVI (clascoterone) cream</p> <p>ZIANA (clindamycin/tretinoin) gel</p>	
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Therapeutic Drug Class: **ACNE AGENTS– ORAL ISOTRETINOIN** -Effective 7/1/2023

PA Required for all agents

<p style="text-align: center;">Preferred</p> <p>AMNESTEEM capsule</p> <p>CLARAVIS capsule</p> <p>Isotretinoin 10 mg, 20 mg, 30 mg, 40 mg capsule (<i>all manufacturers except Amneal</i>)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Non-Preferred</p> <p>ABSORICA capsule</p> <p>ABSORICA LD capsule</p> <p>Isotretinoin 10 mg, 20 mg, 30 mg, 40 mg capsule (<i>Amneal</i>)</p> <p>Isotretinoin 25 mg, 35 mg capsule</p> <p>MYORISAN capsule</p> <p>ZENATANE capsule</p>	<p>Preferred products may be approved for adults and children ≥ 12 years of age for treating severe acne vulgaris or for treating moderate acne vulgaris in members unresponsive to conventional therapy.</p> <p>Non-preferred products may be approved for members meeting the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member has trialed/failed one preferred agent (failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction) AND Member is an adult or child ≥ 12 years of age with severe, recalcitrant nodulocystic acne and has been unresponsive to conventional therapy.
Therapeutic Drug Class: ANTI-PSORIATICS - Oral -Effective 7/1/2023		
<p style="text-align: center;">No PA Required</p> <p>Acitretin capsule</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">PA Required</p> <p>Methoxsalen capsule</p> <p>SORIATANE (acitretin) capsule</p>	<p>Prior authorization for non-preferred oral agents may be approved with failure of two preferred anti-psoriatic agents, one of which must be a preferred oral agent. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy of a 4-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interaction.</p>
Therapeutic Drug Class: ANTI-PSORIATICS -Topical -Effective 7/1/2023		
<p style="text-align: center;">No PA Required</p> <p><i>Brand/generic changes effective 02/22/2024*</i></p> <p>Calcipotriene cream, solution</p> <p>*Calcipotriene/betamethasone dipropionate ointment</p> <p>DOVONEX (calcipotriene) cream</p> <p>TACLONEX SCALP ^{BNR} (calcipotriene/betamethasone) suspension</p> <p>TACLONEX (calcipotriene/betamethasone) ointment</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">PA Required</p> <p>Calcipotriene foam, ointment</p> <p>Calcipotriene/betamethasone dipropionate ointment, suspension</p> <p>Calcitriol ointment</p> <p>DUOBRII (halobetasol/tazarotene) lotion</p> <p>ENSTILAR (calcipotriene/betamethasone) foam</p> <p>SORILUX (calcipotriene) foam</p>	<p>Prior authorization for non-preferred topical agents may be approved with failure of two preferred topical agents. If non-preferred topical agent being requested is a combination product, trial of two preferred agents must include a preferred combination agent. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy of a 4-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interaction.</p> <p>Preferred and non-preferred products that contain a corticosteroid ingredient (such as betamethasone) will be limited to 4 weeks of therapy. Continued use will require one week of steroid-free time in between treatment periods.</p> <p>Members with $>30\%$ of their body surface area affected may not use Enstilar (calcipotriene/betamethasone DP) foam or Taclonex (calcipotriene/betamethasone DP) ointment products as safety and efficacy have not been established.</p>
Therapeutic Drug Class: IMMUNOMODULATORS, TOPICAL – Effective 7/1/2023		
Atopic Dermatitis		

<p>No PA Required <i>Brand/generic changes effective 02/22/2024*</i></p> <p>ELIDEL (pimecrolimus) cream</p> <p>*Pimecrolimus cream (<i>Oceanside only</i>)</p> <p>PROTOPIC (tacrolimus) ointment Tacrolimus ointment</p>	<p>PA Required</p> <p>EUCRISA (crisaborole) ointment</p> <p>OPZELURA (ruxolitinib) cream</p> <p>Pimecrolimus cream (<i>all other manufacturers</i>)</p>	<p>EUCRISA (crisaborole) may be approved if the following criteria are met:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member is at least 3 months of age and older AND • Member has a diagnosis of mild to moderate atopic dermatitis AND • Member has a history of failure, contraindication, or intolerance to at least two medium-to high-potency topical corticosteroids for a minimum of 2 weeks OR is not a candidate for topical corticosteroids AND • Member must have tried and failed pimecrolimus and tacrolimus. Failure is defined as a lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, contraindication to, or significant drug-drug interactions. AND • Eucrisa (crisaborole) must be prescribed by or in consultation with a dermatologist or allergist/immunologist. <p>OPZELURA (ruxolitinib) may be approved if the following criteria are met:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member is ≥ 12 years of age AND • Member is immunocompetent AND • Member has a diagnosis of mild to moderate atopic dermatitis AND • Member has a history of failure, contraindication, or intolerance to at least two medium-to high-potency topical corticosteroids for a minimum of 2 weeks OR is not a candidate for topical corticosteroids AND • Member must have trialed and/or failed pimecrolimus and tacrolimus. Failure is defined as a lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, contraindication to, or significant drug-drug interactions AND • Must be prescribed by or in consultation with a dermatologist or allergist/immunologist. • <u>Quantity limit:</u> 60 grams/week <p>All other non-preferred topical immunomodulator products may be approved for atopic dermatitis following adequate trial and failure[‡] of one prescription topical corticosteroid AND two preferred agents. [‡]Failure is defined as a lack of efficacy with one month trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, contraindication to, or significant drug-drug interactions.</p> <p>For members under 18 years of age, must be prescribed by or in consultation with a dermatologist or allergist/immunologist.</p> <p>Note: Prior authorization requests for Opzelura (ruxolitinib) prescribed solely for treating nonsegmental vitiligo will not be approved.</p>
Antineoplastic Agents		
Preferred	Non-Preferred	

<p>No PA Required (Unless indicated*)</p> <p>*Diclofenac 3% gel (generic Solaraze)</p> <p>Fluorouracil 5% cream (generic Efudex)</p> <p>Fluorouracil 2%, 5% solution</p>	<p>PA Required</p> <p>CARAC (fluorouracil) cream</p> <p>EFUDEX (fluorouracil) cream</p> <p>Fluorouracil 0.5% (generic Carac) cream</p> <p>PANRETIN (alitretinoin) gel</p> <p>TARGRETIN (bexarotene) gel</p> <p>TOLAK (fluorouracil) cream</p> <p>VALCHLOR (mechlorethamine) gel</p>	<p>*Diclofenac 3% gel (generic Solaraze) may be approved if the member has a diagnosis of actinic keratosis (AK).</p> <p>TARGRETIN (bexarotene) gel or VALCHLOR (mechlorethamine) gel may be approved for members who meet the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member is ≥ 18 years of age AND • Member has been diagnosed with Stage IA or IB cutaneous T-cell lymphoma (CTCL) AND • Member has refractory or persistent CTCL disease after other therapies OR has not tolerated other therapies AND • Member and partners have been counseled on appropriate use of contraception <p>Non-preferred agents may be approved for members who have failed an adequate trial of all preferred products FDA-approved for that indication. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p>
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Other Agents

<p>No PA Required</p> <p>CONDYLOX (podofilox) gel</p> <p>Imiquimod (generic Aldara) cream</p> <p>Podofilox solution</p>	<p>PA Required</p> <p>ALDARA (imiquimod) cream</p> <p>HYFTOR (sirolimus) gel</p> <p>Imiquimod cream pump</p> <p>VEREGEN (sinecatechins) ointment</p> <p>ZYCLARA (imiquimod) cream, cream pump</p>	<p>Hyftor (sirolimus) gel</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member has a diagnosis of facial angiofibroma associated with tuberous sclerosis AND • Member is ≥ 6 years of age AND • Provider has evaluated, and member has received, all age-appropriate vaccinations as recommended by current immunization guidelines prior to initiating treatment with HYFTOR <p><u>Initial approval:</u> 6 months</p> <p><u>Reauthorization:</u> An additional 6 months may be approved based on provider attestation that symptoms improved during the initial 6 months of treatment and the provider has assessed use of all vaccinations recommended by current immunization guidelines.</p> <p><u>Maximum dose:</u> one 10-gram tube/28 days</p> <p>Veregen (sinecatechins) may be approved if the following criteria are met:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member has a diagnosis of external genital and/or perianal warts (Condylomata acuminata) AND • Member is ≥ 18 years of age AND Member is immunocompetent AND • Member has tried and failed two preferred products. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction. <p>Zyclara (imiquimod) 2.5% cream may be approved if the following criteria are met:</p>
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member has a diagnosis of clinically typical visible or palpable actinic keratoses (AK) of the full face or balding scalp AND • Member is ≥ 18 years of age AND • Member is immunocompetent AND • Member has tried and failed one preferred product in the Antineoplastic Agents class (such as diclofenac gel or fluorouracil) AND the preferred imiquimod (generic Aldara) product. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction. <p>Zyclara (imiquimod) 3.75% cream may be approved for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Treatment of clinically typical visible or palpable, actinic keratoses (AK) of the full face or balding scalp if the following criteria are met: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member is ≥ 18 years of age AND • Member is immunocompetent AND • Member has tried and failed one preferred product from the Antineoplastic Agents class (such as diclofenac gel or fluorouracil) AND the preferred imiquimod (generic Aldara) product. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction. <p>OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Treatment of external genital and/or perianal warts (Condylomata acuminata) if the following criteria are met: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member is ≥ 12 years of age AND • Member has tried and failed two preferred products. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction. <p>All other non-preferred products may be approved for members who have trialed and failed all preferred products that are FDA-approved for use for the prescribed indication. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p> <p><u>Quantity Limits:</u> Aldara (imiquimod) cream has a quantity limit of 12 packets/28 days.</p>
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Therapeutic Drug Class: ROSACEA AGENTS -Effective 7/1/2023

<p style="text-align: center;">No PA Required <i>Brand/generic changes effective 02/22/2024**</i></p> <p>**Azelaic acid gel (<i>Sandoz only</i>)</p> <p>FINACEA (azelaic acid) gel</p> <p>FINACEA (azelaic acid) foam</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">PA Required</p> <p>Azelaic acid gel (<i>All other manufacturers</i>)</p> <p>*Doxycycline monohydrate DR capsule (generic Oracea)</p> <p>Metronidazole 1% gel, gel pump</p> <p>NORITATE (metronidazole) cream</p>	<p>Prior authorization for non-preferred products in this class may be approved if member meets the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member has a diagnosis of persistent (non-transient) facial erythema with inflammatory papules and pustules due to rosacea AND • Prescriber attests that medication is not being used solely for cosmetic purposes AND • Member has tried and failed two preferred agents of different mechanisms of action (Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 4-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects)
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Metronidazole cream, lotion Metronidazole 0.75% gel	RHOFADE (oxymetazoline) cream ROSADAN (metronidazole/skin cleanser) cream kit, gel kit ZILXI (minocycline) foam	*Doxycycline monohydrate DR (generic Oracea) may be approved if the following criteria are met: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member has taken generic doxycycline for a minimum of three months and failed therapy in the last 6 months. Failure is defined as: lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions AND • Member has history of an adequate trial/failure (8 weeks) of 2 other preferred agents (oral or topical). Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions AND • Member is \geq 18 years of age and has been diagnosed with rosacea with inflammatory lesions (papules and pustules)
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Therapeutic Drug Class: TOPICAL STEROIDS – Effective 7/1/2023

Low potency

No PA Required <i>Brand/generic changes effective 02/22/2024*</i> Hydrocortisone (Rx) cream, ointment, lotion Desonide 0.05% cream, ointment *Fluocinolone 0.01% body oil, 0.01% cream, 0.01% scalp oil	PA Required Alclometasone 0.05% cream, ointment CAPEX (fluocinolone) 0.01% shampoo DERMA-SMOOTH-FS (fluocinolone) 0.01% oil Desonide 0.05% lotion Fluocinolone 0.01% solution PROCTOCORT (hydrocortisone) (Rx) 1% cream SYNALAR (fluocinolone) 0.01% solution SYNALAR TS (fluocinolone/skin cleanser) Kit TEXACORT (hydrocortisone) 2.5% solution	Non-preferred Low Potency topical corticosteroids may be approved following adequate trial and failure of two preferred agents in the Low Potency class (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 4-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions).
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Medium potency

No PA Required Betamethasone dipropionate 0.05% lotion Betamethasone valerate 0.1% cream, ointment Fluocinolone 0.025% cream 0.05% cream, 0.005% ointment	PA Required BESER (fluticasone) lotion, emollient kit Betamethasone dipropionate 0.05% cream Betamethasone valerate 0.1% lotion, 0.12% foam Clocortolone 0.1% cream, cream pump	Non-preferred Medium Potency topical corticosteroids may be approved following adequate trial and failure of two preferred agents in the Medium Potency class (failure is defined as: lack of efficacy with 4-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions).
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<p>Mometasone 0.1% cream, 0.1% ointment, 0.1% solution</p> <p>Triamcinolone acetonide 0.025% cream, 0.1% cream, 0.025% ointment, 0.05% ointment, 0.1% ointment, 0.025% lotion, 0.1% lotion</p> <p>Triamcinolone 0.1% dental paste</p>	<p>CLODERM (clocortolone) 0.1% cream, cream pump</p> <p>CUTIVATE (fluticasone) 0.05% cream, lotion</p> <p>Diflorasone 0.05% cream</p> <p>Fluocinolone 0.025% ointment</p> <p>Fluocinonide-E 0.05% cream</p> <p>Flurandrenolide 0.05% cream, lotion, ointment</p> <p>Fluticasone 0.05% lotion</p> <p>Hydrocortisone butyrate 0.1% cream, lotion, solution, ointment, lipid/lipocream</p> <p>Hydrocortisone valerate 0.2% cream, ointment</p> <p>KENALOG (triamcinolone) spray</p> <p>LOCOID (hydrocortisone butyrate) 0.1% lotion</p> <p>LOCOID LIPOCREAM (hydrocortisone butyrate-emollient) 0.1% cream</p> <p>LUXIQ (betamethasone valerate) 0.12% foam</p> <p>PANDEL (hydrocortisone probutate) 0.1% cream</p> <p>Prednicarbate 0.1% cream, ointment</p> <p>PSORCON (diflorasone) 0.05% cream</p> <p>SYNALAR (fluocinolone) 0.025% cream/kit, ointment/kit</p> <p>Triamcinolone 0.147 mg/gm spray</p>	
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High potency

<p align="center">No PA Required (*unless exceeds duration of therapy)</p> <p>*Betamethasone dipropionate/propylene glycol (augmented) 0.05% cream</p>	<p align="center">PA Required</p> <p>Amcinonide 0.1% cream, lotion</p> <p>APEXICON-E (diflorasone/emollient) 0.05% cream</p> <p>Betamethasone dipropionate 0.05% ointment</p>	<p>Non-preferred High Potency topical corticosteroids may be approved following adequate trial and failure of two preferred agents in the High Potency class (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 4-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions).</p> <p>*All High Potency topical corticosteroids will require prior authorization beyond 4 weeks of therapy. The provider will be encouraged to transition to a medium or low potency topical steroid after this time has elapsed.</p>
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<p>*Fluocinonide 0.05% cream, 0.05% gel, 0.05% solution, 0.05% ointment</p> <p>*Triamcinolone acetonide 0.5% cream, 0.5% ointment</p>	<p>Desoximetasone 0.05%, 0.25% cream, 0.05% gel, 0.05%, 0.25% ointment</p> <p>Diflorasone 0.05% ointment</p> <p>Halcinonide 0.1% cream</p> <p>HALOG (halcinonide) 0.1% cream, ointment, solution</p> <p>TOPICORT (desoximetasone) 0.05%, 0.25% cream, 0.05% gel, 0.05%, 0.25% ointment</p>	<p>Claims for compounded products containing high-potency topical steroids will be limited to a maximum of 60 grams or 60 mL of a high-potency ingredient per 4-week treatment period. Claims exceeding this quantity limit will require prior authorization with prescriber's justification for use of the product at the prescribed dose.</p>
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Very high potency

<p style="text-align: center;">No PA Required (Unless exceeds duration of therapy*)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">PA Required</p>	
<p>*Betamethasone dipropionate/propylene glycol (augmented) 0.05% ointment</p> <p>*Clobetasol 0.05% cream, 0.05% gel, 0.05% ointment, 0.05% solution</p> <p>*Fluocinonide 0.1% cream</p>	<p>Betamethasone dipropionate/propylene glycol (augmented) 0.05% gel, 0.05% lotion</p> <p>BRYHALI (halobetasol) 0.01% lotion</p> <p>Clobetasol emollient/emulsion 0.05% cream, foam</p> <p>Clobetasol 0.05% lotion, foam, spray, shampoo</p> <p>CLOBEX (clobetasol) 0.05% spray, 0.05% shampoo</p> <p>CLODAN (clobetasol) 0.05% cleanser kit</p> <p>Desoximetasone 0.25% spray</p> <p>DIPROLENE (betamethasone dipropionate/propylene glycol, augmented) 0.05% ointment</p> <p>Halobetasol 0.05% cream, foam, ointment</p> <p>IMPEKLO (clobetasol) 0.05% lotion</p> <p>LEXETTE (halobetasol) 0.05% foam</p> <p>OLUX (clobetasol) 0.05% foam</p> <p>OLUX-E (clobetasol) 0.05% foam</p> <p>TEMOVATE (clobetasol) 0.05% cream, ointment</p> <p>TOPICORT (desoximetasone) 0.25% spray</p>	<p>Non-preferred Very High Potency topical corticosteroids may be approved following adequate trial and failure of clobetasol propionate in the same formulation as the product being requested (if the formulation of the requested non-preferred product is not available in preferred clobetasol product options, then trial and failure of any preferred clobetasol product formulation will be required). Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 2-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions.</p> <p>*All Very High Potency topical corticosteroids will require prior authorization beyond 2 weeks of therapy. If clobetasol propionate shampoo is being used to treat plaque psoriasis, then prior authorization will be required beyond 4 weeks of therapy. The provider will be encouraged to transition to a medium or low potency topical steroid after this time has elapsed.</p>

	TOVET EMOLLIENT (clobetasol) 0.05% foam ULTRAVATE (halobetasol) 0.05% lotion VANOS (fluocinonide) 0.1% cream	
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VI. Endocrine

Therapeutic Drug Class: **ANDROGENIC AGENTS, Topical, Injectable, Oral** -Effective 10/1/2023

PA Required for all agents in this class

Preferred	Non-Preferred	
ANDRODERM (testosterone) patch	ANDROGEL (testosterone) gel packet	<p><u>Hypogonadotropic or Primary Hypogonadism (may be secondary to Klinefelter Syndrome):</u></p> <p>Preferred products may be approved for members meeting the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member is a male patient ≥ 16 years of age with a documented diagnosis of hypogonadotropic or primary hypogonadism OR ≥ 12 years of age with a diagnosis of hypogonadotropic or hypogonadism secondary to Klinefelter Syndrome (all other diagnoses will require manual review) AND Member has two documented low serum testosterone levels below the lower limit of normal range for testing laboratory prior to initiation of therapy AND Member does not have a diagnosis of breast or prostate cancer AND If the member is > 40 years of age, has prostate-specific antigen (PSA) < 4 ng/mL or has no palpable prostate nodule AND Member has baseline hematocrit $< 50\%$ <p>Reauthorization Criteria (requests for renewal of a currently expiring prior authorization for a preferred product may be approved for members meeting the following criteria):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member is a male patient ≥ 16 years of age with a documented diagnosis of hypogonadotropic or primary hypogonadism OR ≥ 12 years of age with a diagnosis of hypogonadotropic or hypogonadism secondary to Klinefelter Syndrome AND Serum testosterone is being regularly monitored (at least annually) to achieve total testosterone level in the middle tertile of the normal reference range AND Member does not have a diagnosis of breast or prostate cancer AND Member has a hematocrit $< 54\%$ <p><u>Gender Transition/Affirming Hormone Therapy:</u></p> <p>Preferred androgenic drugs may be approved for members meeting the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Female sex assigned at birth and has reached Tanner stage 2 of puberty AND Is undergoing female to male transition AND Has a negative pregnancy test prior to initiation AND Hematocrit (or hemoglobin) is being monitored.
Testosterone cypionate IM injection	ANDROGEL (testosterone) gel 1.62% pump	
Testosterone gel packet	ANDROID (methyltestosterone) capsule	
Testosterone 1.62% gel pump	DEPO-TESTOSTERONE (testosterone cypionate) IM injection	
<i>Injectable testosterone cypionate is a pharmacy benefit when self-administered. Administration in an office setting is a medical benefit.</i>	FORTESTA (testosterone) gel pump	
	METHITEST (methyltestosterone) tablet	
	Methyltestosterone capsule	
	NATESTO (testosterone) nasal spray	
	TESTIM (testosterone) gel	
	Testosterone 1% gel tube, 30 mg/1.5 ml pump	
	Testosterone enanthate IM injection	
	TLANDO (testosterone undecanoate) capsules	
VOGELXO (testosterone) packet, pump		
XYOSTED (testosterone enanthate) SC injection		

		<p>Non-Preferred Products:</p> <p>Non-preferred topical androgenic agents may be approved for patients meeting the above criteria with trial and failed‡ therapy with two preferred topical androgen formulations.</p> <p>Non-preferred injectable androgenic agents may be approved for patients meeting the above criteria with trial and failed‡ therapy with a preferred injectable androgenic drug.</p> <p>Prior authorization for oral androgen agents (tablet, capsule, buccal) may be approved if member has trialed and failed‡ therapy with a preferred topical agent AND testosterone cypionate injection.</p> <p>‡Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 8 week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, contraindication to, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p> <p>For all agents and diagnoses, members < 16 years of age will require a manual prior authorization review by a pharmacist (with exception of members ≥ 12 years of age with a diagnosis of hypogonadotropic or hypogonadism secondary to Klinefelter Syndrome).</p>
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Therapeutic Drug Class: BONE RESORPTION SUPPRESSION AND RELATED AGENTS -Effective 10/1/2023

Bisphosphonates

No PA Required	PA Required	
<p>Alendronate tablet, solution</p> <p>Ibandronate tablet</p> <p>Risedronate tablet</p>	<p>ACTONEL (risedronate) tablet</p> <p>ATELVIA (risedronate) tablet</p> <p>BONIVA (ibandronate) tablet</p> <p>FOSAMAX (alendronate) tablet</p> <p>FOSAMAX plus D (alendronate/vit D) tablet</p>	<p>Non-preferred bisphosphonates may be approved for members who have failed treatment with one preferred product at treatment dose. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with a 12-month trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p> <p>For members who have a low risk of fracture, discontinuation of bisphosphonate therapy and drug holiday should be considered following 5 years of treatment. Low risk is defined as having a bone mineral density, based on the most recent T-score, of greater than (better than) -2.5 AND no history of low trauma or fragility fracture.</p>

Non-Bisphosphonates

	PA Required	
	<p>Calcitonin salmon nasal spray</p> <p>FORTEO (teriparatide) SC pen</p> <p>Raloxifene tablet</p> <p>Teriparatide SC pen</p> <p>TYMLOS (abaloparatide) SC pen</p>	<p>CALCITONIN SALMON (nasal) may be approved if the member meets the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member has a diagnosis of post-menopausal osteoporosis (BMD T-scores of -2.5 or less) AND Has trial and failure of preferred bisphosphonate for 12 months (failure is defined as: lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction) OR Member cannot swallow solid oral dosage forms or has a feeding tube. <p>Quantity limit: One spray daily</p> <p>RALOXIFENE may be approved if the member meets the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diagnosis of postmenopausal osteoporosis (BMD T-scores of -2.5 or less) AND Has trial and failure of preferred bisphosphonate for one year (Failure is defined as: lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction) <p>Maximum dose: 60mg daily</p>

FORTEO (teriparatide) or generic teriparatide may be approved if the member meets the following criteria:

- Member has one of the following diagnoses:
 - Male primary or hypogonadal osteoporosis (BMD T-scores of -2.5 or less).
 - Osteoporosis due to corticosteroid use
 - Postmenopausal osteoporosis

AND

- Member is at very high risk for fracture* **OR** member has history of trial and failure of a preferred bisphosphonate for one year. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction **AND**
- For brand FORTEO, member has trialed and failed generic teriparatide. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction **AND**
- Prior authorization will be given for one year and total exposure of parathyroid hormone analogs (Forteo and Tymlos) shall not exceed two years

Maximum dose: 20mcg daily

TYMLOS (abaloparatide) may be approved if the member meets the following criteria:

- Member has a diagnosis of postmenopausal osteoporosis (BMD T-scores of -2.5 or less) **AND**
- Member is post-menopausal with very high risk for fracture* **OR** member has history of trial and failure of a preferred bisphosphonate for one year (Failure is defined as: lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction) **AND**
- Prior authorization will be given for one year and total exposure of parathyroid hormone analogs (Forteo and Tymlos) shall not exceed two years.

Maximum dose: 80 mcg daily

All other non-preferred non-bisphosphonates may be approved for members who have failed treatment with one preferred bisphosphonate product at treatment dose. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with a 12-month trial, allergy, unable to use oral therapy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.

*Members at very high risk for fracture: Members will be considered at very high risk for fracture if they meet one of the following:

- A history of fracture within the past 12 months **OR**
- Fractures experienced while receiving guideline-supported osteoporosis therapy **OR**
- A history of multiple fractures **OR**
- A history of fractures experienced while receiving medications that cause skeletal harm (such as long-term glucocorticoids) **OR**
- A very low T-score (less than -3.0) **OR**
- A high risk for falls or a history of injurious falls **OR**

- A very high fracture probability by FRAX (> 30% for a major osteoporosis fracture or > 4.5% for hip fracture)

Note: Prior authorization criteria for Prolia (denosumab) and other injectable bone resorption and related agents are listed on Appendix P.

Therapeutic Drug Class: CONTRACEPTIVES - Topical Effective 10/1/2023

Effective 01/14/22, topical contraceptive patch products are eligible for coverage with a written prescription by an enrolled pharmacist. Additional information regarding pharmacist enrollment can be found at <https://hcpf.colorado.gov/pharm-serv>.

No PA Required	PA Required	
ANNOVERA (segesterone acetate/EE) vaginal ring NUVARING ^{BNR} (etonorgestrel/EE) vaginal ring PHEXXI (lactic acid/citric/potassium) vaginal gel* TWIRLA (levonorgestrel/EE) TD patch XULANE (norelgestromin/EE) TD patch *EE – Ethinyl Estradiol	ELURYNG (Etonorgestrel/EE) vaginal ring Etonorgestrel/EE vaginal ring Haloette vaginal ring Norelgestromin/EE TD patch ZAFEMY (norelgestromin/EE) TD patch *EE – Ethinyl Estradiol	Non-preferred topical contraceptive products may be approved following a trial and failure of one preferred topical contraceptive product. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction. Effective 7/1/2022: Prescriptions are eligible to be filled for up to a twelve-month supply. <i>Note: IUD and select depot product formulations are billed through the medical benefit</i> * PHEXXI (lactic acid/citric/potassium) vaginal gel <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Quantity Limit:</u> 120 grams per 30 days

Therapeutic Drug Class: DIABETES MANAGEMENT CLASSES, INSULINS- Effective 10/1/2023

Rapid-Acting

No PA Required	PA Required	
HUMALOG ^{BNR} 100U/mL KwikPen, vial HUMALOG (insulin lispro) cartridge HUMALOG Jr. ^{BNR} (insulin lispro) KwikPen Insulin aspart cartridge, pen, vial NOVOLOG (insulin aspart) cartridge, FlexTouch pen, vial	ADMELOG (insulin lispro) Solostar pen, vial AFREZZA (regular insulin) cartridge, unit APIDRA (insulin glulisine) Solostar pen, vial FIASP (insulin aspart) FlexTouch pen, PenFill, pump cartridge, vial HUMALOG (insulin lispro) 200 U/mL pen, Tempo pen	Non-preferred products may be approved following trial and failure of treatment with two preferred products, one of which is the same rapid-acting insulin analog (lispro or aspart) as the non-preferred product being requested. (Failure is defined as allergy [hives, maculopapular rash, erythema multiforme, pustular rash, severe hypotension, bronchospasm, and angioedema] or intolerable side effects). Afrezza (human insulin) may be approved if meeting the following criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member is 18 years or older AND • Member has trialed and failed treatment with two preferred products (failure is defined as allergy [hives, maculopapular rash, erythema multiforme, pustular rash, severe hypotension, bronchospasm, or angioedema] or intolerable side effects) AND

	<p>Insulin lispro Kwikpen, Jr. Kwikpen, vial</p> <p>LYUMJEV (insulin lispro-aabc) Kwikpen, vial, Tempo pen</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member must not have chronic lung disease such as COPD or asthma AND • If member has type 1 diabetes, must use in conjunction with long-acting insulin AND • Prescriber acknowledges that Afrezza is not recommended in patients who smoke or have recently stopped smoking.
Short-Acting		
<p>No PA Required</p> <p>HUMULIN R U-100 (insulin regular) vial (OTC)</p> <p>NOVOLIN R U-100 (insulin regular) FlexPen (OTC)</p>	<p>PA Required</p> <p>NOVOLIN R U-100 (insulin regular) vial (OTC)</p>	<p>Non-preferred products may be approved following trial and failure of treatment with one preferred product (failure is defined as allergy or intolerable side effects).</p>
Intermediate-Acting		
<p>No PA Required</p> <p>HUMULIN N U-100 (insulin NPH) vial (OTC)</p> <p>NOVOLIN N U-100 (insulin NPH) FlexPen (OTC)</p>	<p>PA Required</p> <p>HUMULIN N U-100 (insulin NPH) KwikPen (OTC)</p> <p>NOVOLIN N U-100 (insulin NPH) vial (OTC)</p>	<p>Non-preferred products may be approved following trial and failure of treatment with one preferred product (failure is defined as allergy or intolerable side effects).</p>
Long-Acting		
<p>No PA Required*</p> <p>LANTUS^{BNR} (insulin glargine) vial, Solostar</p> <p>LEVEMIR (insulin detemir) vial, FlexTouch</p>	<p>PA Required</p> <p>BASAGLAR (insulin glargine) Kwikpen, Tempo pen</p> <p>Insulin degludec FlexTouch, vial</p> <p>Insulin glargine solostar, vial</p> <p>Insulin glargine MAX solostar</p> <p>Insulin glargine-yfng pen, vial</p> <p>REZVOGLAR (insulin glargine-aglr) Kwikpen</p> <p>SEMGLEE (insulin glargine-yfng) pen, vial</p> <p>TOUJEO (insulin glargine) Solostar</p> <p>TOUJEO MAX (insulin glargine) Solostar</p>	<p>*Tresiba (insulin degludec) may be approved for members who have trialed and failed‡ Lantus.</p> <p>All other non-preferred products may be approved if the member has tried and failed‡ treatment with Lantus AND Tresiba.</p> <p>‡Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, or intolerable side effects.</p>

	TRESIBA (insulin degludec) FlexTouch, vial	
Concentrated		
No PA Required	PA Required	
HUMULIN R U-500 (insulin regular) concentrated vial, Kwikpen		Non-preferred products may be approved following trial and failure of treatment with one preferred product (failure is defined as allergy or intolerable side effects).
Mixtures		
No PA Required	PA Required	
HUMALOG MIX 50/50 Kwikpen, vial HUMALOG MIX 75/25 Kwikpen ^{BNR} , vial HUMULIN 70/30 (OTC) Kwikpen, vial Insulin aspart protamine/insulin aspart 70/30 FlexPen, vial (generic Novolog Mix) NOVOLOG MIX 70/30 FlexPen, vial	NOVOLIN 70/30 FlexPen, vial (OTC) Insulin lispro protamine/insulin lispro 75/25 Kwikpen (generic Humalog Mix)	Non-preferred products may be approved if the member has failed treatment with two of the preferred products (failure is defined as: allergy or intolerable side effects).
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Amylin		
	PA Required	
	SYMLIN (pramlintide) pen	<p>SYMLIN (pramlintide) may be approved following trial and failure of metformin AND trial and failure of a DPP4-inhibitor or GLP-1 analogue. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy (such as not meeting hemoglobin A1C goal despite adherence to regimen) following 3-month trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or a significant drug-drug interaction. Prior authorization may be approved for Symlin (pramlintide) products for members with a diagnosis of Type 1 diabetes without requiring trial and failure of other products.</p> <p>Maximum Dose: Prior authorization will be required for doses exceeding FDA-approved dosing listed in product package labeling.</p>
Biguanides		
No PA Required	PA Required	
Metformin IR tablets Metformin ER 500mg, 750mg tablets (generic Glucophage XR)	FORTAMET ER (metformin) tablet GLUMETZA ER (metformin) tablet Metformin ER (generic Fortamet, Glumetza)	<p>Non-preferred products may be approved for members who have failed treatment with two preferred products. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p> <p>Liquid metformin may be approved for members who meet one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member is under the age of 12 with a feeding tube OR Prescriber confirms that member has difficulty swallowing

	RIOMET (metformin) solution	
	RIOMET ER (metformin) suspension	

Dipeptidyl Peptidase-4 Enzyme inhibitors (DPP-4is)

Preferred	Non-Preferred PA Required	<p>Non-preferred DPP-4 inhibitors may be approved after a member has failed a 3-month trial of two preferred products. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy (such as not meeting hemoglobin A1C goal despite adherence to regimen), allergy, intolerable side effects, or a significant drug-drug interaction.</p> <p><u>Maximum Dose:</u> Prior authorization will be required for doses exceeding the FDA-approved maximum dosing listed in the following table:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>DPP-4 Inhibitor</th> <th>FDA-Approved Maximum Daily Dose</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Alogliptin (generic Nesina)</td> <td>25 mg/day</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Januvia (sitagliptin)</td> <td>100 mg/day</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nesina (alogliptin)</td> <td>25 mg/day</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Onglyza (saxagliptin)</td> <td>5 mg/day</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tradjenta (linagliptin)</td> <td>5 mg/day</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	DPP-4 Inhibitor	FDA-Approved Maximum Daily Dose	Alogliptin (generic Nesina)	25 mg/day	Januvia (sitagliptin)	100 mg/day	Nesina (alogliptin)	25 mg/day	Onglyza (saxagliptin)	5 mg/day	Tradjenta (linagliptin)	5 mg/day
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DPP-4 Inhibitors – Combination with Metformin

Preferred	Non-Preferred PA Required	<p>Non-preferred combination products may be approved for members who have been stable on the two individual ingredients of the requested combination for three months AND have had adequate three-month trial and failure of a preferred combination agent. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy (such as not meeting hemoglobin A1C goal despite adherence to regimen), allergy, intolerable side effects, or a significant drug-drug interaction.</p> <p><u>Maximum Dose:</u> Prior authorization will be required for doses exceeding the FDA-approved maximum dosing listed in the following table:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>DPP-4 Inhibitor Combination</th> <th>FDA Approved Maximum Daily Dose</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Alogliptin/metformin tablet</td> <td>25 mg alogliptin/2,000 mg metformin</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Janumet and Janumet XR (sitagliptin/metformin)</td> <td>100 mg sitagliptin/2,000 mg of metformin</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	DPP-4 Inhibitor Combination	FDA Approved Maximum Daily Dose	Alogliptin/metformin tablet	25 mg alogliptin/2,000 mg metformin	Janumet and Janumet XR (sitagliptin/metformin)	100 mg sitagliptin/2,000 mg of metformin
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		Jentadueto and Jentadueto XR(linagliptin/metformin)	5 mg linagliptin/ 2,000 mg metformin
		Kazano (alogliptin/metformin)	25 mg alogliptin/ 2,000 mg metformin
		Kombiglyze XR (saxagliptin ER/metformin ER) tablet	5 mg saxagliptin/ 2,000 mg metformin

Glucagon-like Peptide-1 Receptor Agonists (GLP-1 Analogues)

<p align="center">Preferred *Must meet eligibility criteria</p> <p>*BYETTA (exenatide) pen</p> <p>*TRULICITY (dulaglutide) pen</p> <p>*VICTOZA (liraglutide) pen</p>	<p align="center">Non-Preferred PA Required</p> <p>ADLYXIN (lixisenatide)</p> <p>BYDUREON BCISE (exenatide ER) autoinjector</p> <p>MOUNJARO (tirzepatide) pen</p> <p>OZEMPIC (semaglutide) pen</p> <p>RYBELSUS (semaglutide) oral tablet</p>	<p>*Preferred products may be approved for members with a diagnosis of type 2 diabetes.</p> <p>Non-preferred products may be approved for members with a diagnosis of type 2 diabetes following a 3-month trial of two preferred products. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy (such as not meeting hemoglobin A1C goal despite adherence to regimen), allergy, intolerable side effects, limited dexterity resulting in the inability to administer doses of a preferred product, or a significant drug-drug interaction.</p> <p><u>Maximum Dose:</u> Prior authorization is required for all products exceeding maximum dose listed in product package labeling.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="1150 766 1806 1096"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="2">Table 1: GLP-1 Analogue Maximum Dose</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Adlyxin (lixisenatide)</td> <td>20 mcg per day</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bydureon Bcise (exenatide)</td> <td>2 mg weekly</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Byetta (exenatide)</td> <td>20 mcg per day</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mounjaro (tirzepatide)</td> <td>15 mg weekly</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ozempic (semaglutide)</td> <td>2 mg weekly</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Rybelsus (semaglutide)</td> <td>14 mg daily</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Trulicity (dulaglutide)</td> <td>4.5 mg weekly</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Victoza (liraglutide)</td> <td>1.8 mg per day</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p><i>Note: Prior Authorization for GLP-1 analogues prescribed solely for weight loss will not be approved.</i></p>	Table 1: GLP-1 Analogue Maximum Dose		Adlyxin (lixisenatide)	20 mcg per day	Bydureon Bcise (exenatide)	2 mg weekly	Byetta (exenatide)	20 mcg per day	Mounjaro (tirzepatide)	15 mg weekly	Ozempic (semaglutide)	2 mg weekly	Rybelsus (semaglutide)	14 mg daily	Trulicity (dulaglutide)	4.5 mg weekly	Victoza (liraglutide)	1.8 mg per day
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Other Hypoglycemic Combinations

	<p align="center">PA Required</p> <p>Alogliptin/pioglitazone tablet</p> <p>DUETACT (pioglitazone/glimepiride) tablet</p> <p>Glipizide/metformin tablet</p> <p>Glyburide/metformin tablet</p>	<p>Non-preferred products may be approved for members who have been stable on each of the individual ingredients in the requested combination for 3 months (including cases where the ingredients are taken as two separate 3-month trials or when taken in combination for at least 3 months).</p>
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	<p>GLYXAMBI (empagliflozin/linagliptin) tablet</p> <p>OSENI (alogliptin/pioglitazone) tablet</p> <p>Pioglitazone/glimepiride tablet</p> <p>QTERN (dapagliflozin/saxagliptin) tablet</p> <p>SOLIQUA (insulin glargine/lixisenatide) pen</p> <p>STEGLUJAN (ertugliflozin/sitagliptin) tablet</p> <p>TRIJARDY XR tablet(empagliflozin/linagliptin/metformin)</p> <p>XULTOPHY (insulin degludec/liraglutide) pen</p>										
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<p style="text-align: center;">No PA Required</p> <p>FARXIGA^{BNR} (dapagliflozin) tablet</p> <p>INVOKANA (canagliflozin) tablet</p> <p>JARDIANCE (empagliflozin) tablet</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">PA Required</p> <p>Dapagliflozin tablet</p> <p>INPEFA (sotagliflozin) tablet</p> <p>STEGLATRO (ertugliflozin) tablet</p>	<p>Non-preferred products may receive approval following trial and failure with two preferred products. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 3-month trial (such as not meeting hemoglobin A1C goal despite adherence to regimen), allergy, intolerable side effects, or a significant drug-drug interaction.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="3" style="text-align: center;">SGLT Inhibitor Renal Dosing Recommendations</th> </tr> <tr> <th style="text-align: center;">SGLT Inhibitor</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Clinical Setting</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Renal Dosing Recommendations (FDA labeling)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">FARXIGA (dapagliflozin)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Glycemic control in patients without established CV disease or CV risk factors</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Not recommended when eGFR is <45 mL/min/1.73 m²</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	SGLT Inhibitor Renal Dosing Recommendations			SGLT Inhibitor	Clinical Setting	Renal Dosing Recommendations (FDA labeling)	FARXIGA (dapagliflozin)	Glycemic control in patients without established CV disease or CV risk factors	Not recommended when eGFR is <45 mL/min/1.73 m ²
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			Chronic kidney disease (CKD) or heart failure (HF)	Initiation of therapy not recommended when eGFR is <25 mL/min/1.73 m ² (safety and efficacy in members on dialysis has not been established)
		INPEFA (sotagliflozin)	Reduce risk of CV death, HF hospitalization and urgent HF visit in adults with HF or Type 2 DM, CKD and other CV risk factors	Safety and efficacy in members with eGFR less than 25 mL/min/1.73 m ² or on dialysis has not been established
		INVOKANA (canagliflozin)	Glycemic control in patients without established CV disease or CV risk factors	Initiation of therapy not recommended when eGFR is <30 mL/min/1.73 m ²
		JARDIANCE (empagliflozin)	Glycemic control in patients without established CV disease or CV risk factors	Not recommended when eGFR is <30 mL/min/1.73 m ² (contraindicated in members on dialysis)
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		STEGLATRO (ertugliflozin)	Adjunct to diet and exercise in members with Type 2 DM	Not recommended when eGFR is <45 mL/min/1.73 m ² (contraindicated in members on dialysis)

Maximum Dose:
Prior authorization is required for all products exceeding maximum dose listed in product package labeling.

SGLT Inhibitor Combinations with Metformin

No PA Required	PA Required	
INVOKAMET (canagliflozin/metformin) tablet INVOKAMET XR (canagliflozin/metformin) tablet SYNJARDY (empagliflozin/metformin) tablet	Dapagliflozin/Metformin XR tablet SEGLUROMET (ertugliflozin/metformin) tablet	Non-preferred products may be approved for members who have been stable on the two individual ingredients of the requested combination for 3 months. INVOKAMET, INVOKAMET XR, SEGLUROMET, SYNJARDY, SYNJARDY XR and XIGDUO XR are contraindicated in patients with an eGFR less than 30 mL/min/1.73 m ² or on dialysis.

<p>SYNJARDY XR (empagliflozin/metformin) tablet</p> <p>XIGDUO XR^{BNR} (dapagliflozin/metformin) tablet</p>												
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<p style="text-align: center;">No PA Required</p> <p>Pioglitazone tablet</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">PA Required</p> <p>ACTOS (pioglitazone) tablet</p>	<p>Non-preferred agents may be approved following trial and failure of one preferred product. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy (such as not meeting hemoglobin A1C goal despite adherence to regimen) with a 3-month trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or a significant drug-drug interaction.</p>										
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Therapeutic Drug Class: ESTROGEN AGENTS -Effective 10/1/2023												
<p style="text-align: center;">No PA Required</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">PA Required</p>	<p>Non-preferred parenteral estrogen agents may be approved with trial and failure of one preferred parenteral agent. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p>										
Parenteral												
<p>DELESTROGEN^{BNR} (estradiol valerate) vial</p> <p>DEPO-ESTRODIOL (estradiol cypionate) vial</p>	<p>Estradiol valerate vial</p>	<p>Non-preferred oral estrogen agents may be approved with trial and failure of one preferred oral agent. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p> <p>Non-preferred transdermal estrogen agents may be approved with trial and failure of two preferred transdermal agents. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p>										
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<p>CLIMARA^{BNR} (estradiol) patch</p> <p>Estradiol oral tablet</p> <p>MINIVELLE^{BNR} (estradiol) patch</p> <p>VIVELLE-DOT^{BNR} (estradiol) patch</p>	<p>ALORA (estradiol) patch</p> <p>DOTTI (estradiol) patch</p> <p>ESTRACE (estradiol) oral tablet</p> <p>Estradiol daily patch</p> <p>Estradiol bi-weekly patch</p>	<table border="1" data-bbox="1146 1284 1976 1487"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="2" data-bbox="1146 1284 1976 1321" style="text-align: center;">Table 1: Transdermal Estrogen FDA-Labeled Dosing</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="1146 1321 1761 1359">ALORA (estradiol) patch</td> <td data-bbox="1761 1321 1976 1359">2/week</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="1146 1359 1761 1396">CLIMARA (estradiol) patch</td> <td data-bbox="1761 1359 1976 1396">1/week</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="1146 1396 1761 1433">DOTTI (estradiol) patch</td> <td data-bbox="1761 1396 1976 1433">2/week</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="1146 1433 1761 1487">Estradiol patch (once weekly)</td> <td data-bbox="1761 1433 1976 1487">1/week</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Table 1: Transdermal Estrogen FDA-Labeled Dosing		ALORA (estradiol) patch	2/week	CLIMARA (estradiol) patch	1/week	DOTTI (estradiol) patch	2/week	Estradiol patch (once weekly)	1/week
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	MENOSTAR (estradiol) patch	LYLLANA (estradiol) patch	2/week
		MENOSTAR (estradiol) patch	1/week
		MINIVELLE (estradiol) patch	2/week
		VIVELLE-DOT (estradiol) patch	2/week
<p><i>Note: Estrogen agents are a covered benefit for gender affirming hormone therapy and treating clinicians and mental health providers should be knowledgeable about the diagnostic criteria for gender-affirming hormone treatment and have sufficient training and experience in assessing related mental health conditions.</i></p>			

Therapeutic Drug Class: GLUCAGON, SELF-ADMINISTERED -Effective 10/1/2023

Preferred No PA Required	Non-Preferred PA Required	<p>Non-preferred products may be approved if the member has failed treatment with two preferred products (failure is defined as allergy to ingredients in product, intolerable side effects, contraindication, or inability to administer dosage form).</p> <p>Quantity limit for all products: 2 doses per year unless used/ damaged/ lost</p>
BAQSIMI (glucagon) nasal spray	Glucagon Emergency Kit (<i>Fresenius</i>)	
GLUCAGEN HYPOKIT (glucagon)	GVOKE (glucagon) Hypopen, Syringe, vial	
Glucagon Emergency Kit (<i>Eli Lilly</i>)	ZEGALOGUE (dasiglucagon) syringe	
Glucagon Emergency Kit (<i>Amphastar</i>)		
ZEGALOGUE (dasiglucagon) autoinjector		

Therapeutic Drug Class: GROWTH HORMONES -Effective 10/1/2023

Preferred No PA Required (If diagnosis and dose met)	Non-Preferred PA Required	<p>All preferred products may be approved if the member has one of the qualifying diagnoses listed below (diagnosis may be verified through AutoPA) AND if prescription does not exceed limitations for maximum dosing (Table 1).</p> <p>Non-preferred Growth Hormone products may be approved if the following criteria are met:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member failed treatment with one preferred growth hormone product (failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions) AND Member has a qualifying diagnosis that includes at least one of the following conditions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prader-Willi Syndrome (PWS) Chronic renal insufficiency/failure requiring transplantation (defined as Creatinine Clearance < 30mL/min)
GENOTROPIN (somatropin) cartridge, Miniquick pen	HUMATROPE (somatropin) cartridge	
NORDITROPIN (somatropin) Flexpro pen	NUTROPIN AQ (somatropin) Nuspin injector	
	OMNITROPE (somatropin) cartridge, vial	
	SAIZEN (somatropin) cartridge, vial	
	SEROSTIM (somatropin) vial	
	SKYTROFA (lonapegsomatropin-tcgd) cartridge	

SOGROYA (somapacitan-beco) pen

ZOMACTON (somatropin) vial

ZORBTIVE (somatropin) vial

- Turner's Syndrome
- Hypopituitarism: as a result of pituitary disease, hypothalamic disease, surgery, radiation therapy or trauma verified by one of the following:
 - Has failed at least one GH stimulation test (peak GH level < 10 ng/mL)
 - Has at least one documented low IGF-1 level (below normal range for patient's age – refer to range on submitted lab document)
 - Has deficiencies in ≥ 3 pituitary axes (such as TSH, LH, FSH, ACTH, ADH)
- Cachexia associated with AIDS
- Noonan Syndrome
- Short bowel syndrome
- Neonatal symptomatic growth hormone deficiency (limited to 3-month PA approval)

AND

- Prescription does not exceed limitations for FDA-labeled maximum dosing for prescribed indication (Table 1) based on prescriber submission/verification of patient weight from most recent clinical documentation

Medication	Pediatric Maximum Dosing (age < 18 years)	Adult Maximum Dosing (age ≥ 18 years)
Genotropin	0.48 mg/kg/week	0.08 mg/kg/week
Humatrope	0.47 mg/kg/week	0.0875 mg/kg/week
Norditropin Flexpro	0.47 mg/kg/week	0.112 mg/kg/week
Nutropin AQ Nuspin	0.375 mg/kg/week	0.175 mg/kg/week for ≤35 years of age 0.0875 mg/kg/week for >35 years of age
Omnitrope	0.48 mg/kg/week	0.08 mg/kg/week
Saizen	0.18 mg/kg/week	0.01 mg/kg/day
Serostim	Not Indicated	42 mg/week for cachexia with HIV only (in combination with antiretroviral therapy)
Skytrofa	0.2625 mg/kg/week	N/A
Zomacton	0.47 mg/kg/week	0.0125 mg/kg/day
Zorbtive	Not Indicated	8 mg/28 days for short bowel syndrome only

VII. Gastrointestinal

Therapeutic Drug Class: **BILE SALTS** -Effective 7/1/2023

No PA Required	PA Required	
<p>Ursodiol capsule</p> <p>Ursodiol tablet</p>	<p>BYLVAY (odevixibat) capsule, pellet</p> <p>CHENODAL (chenodiol) tablet</p> <p>CHOLBAM (cholic acid) capsule</p> <p>LIVMARLI (maralixibat) solution</p> <p>OCALIVA (obeticholic acid) tablet</p> <p>RELTONE (ursodiol) capsule</p> <p>URSO (ursodiol) tablet</p> <p>URSO FORTE (ursodiol) tablet</p>	<p>Chenodal (chenodiol) and Actigall (ursodiol) may be approved for members who meet the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member is ≥ 18 years of age AND • Member has tried and failed therapy with a 12-month trial of a preferred ursodiol product (failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions). <p>Cholbam (cholic acid) may be approved for members who meet the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bile acid synthesis disorders: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Member age must be greater than 3 weeks old AND ○ Member has a diagnosis for bile acid synthesis disorder due to single enzyme defect (Single Enzyme-Defect Disorders: Defective sterol nucleus synthesis, 3β-hydroxy-Δ-c27-steroid oxidoreductase deficiency, AKR1D1 deficiency, CYP7A1 deficiency, Defective side-chain synthesis, CYP27A1 deficiency (cerebrotendinous xanthomatosis), 2-methylacyl-CoA racemase deficiency (AMACR), 25-hydroxylation pathway (Smith–Lemli–Opitz). • Peroxisomal disorder including Zellweger spectrum disorders: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Member age must be greater than 3 weeks old AND ○ Member has diagnosis of peroxisomal disorders (PDs) including Zellweger spectrum disorders AND ○ Member has manifestations of liver disease, steatorrhea or complications from decreased fat-soluble vitamin absorption. <p>Ocaliva (obeticholic acid) may be approved for members meeting the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member is ≥ 18 years of age AND • Medication is prescribed by or in consultation with a gastroenterologist, hepatologist, or liver transplant provider AND • Member has the diagnosis of primary biliary cholangitis without cirrhosis OR a diagnosis of primary biliary cholangitis with compensated cirrhosis with no evidence of portal hypertension AND • Member has failed treatment with a preferred ursodiol product for at least 6 months due to an inadequate response, intolerable side effects, drug-drug interaction, or allergy to preferred ursodiol formulations. <p>Reltone (ursodiol) may be approved for members meeting the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member is ≥ 18 years of age AND • The requested medication is prescribed by or in consultation with a gastroenterologist, hepatologist, or liver transplant provider AND

- The requested medication is being prescribed for one of the following:
 - Treatment of radiolucent, noncalcified gallbladder stones < 20 mm in greatest diameter AND elective cholecystectomy would be undertaken except for the presence of increased surgical risk due to systemic disease, advanced age, idiosyncratic reaction to general anesthesia, or for those patients who refuse surgery OR
 - Prevention of gallstone formation in obese patients experiencing rapid weight loss

AND

- No compelling reasons for the member to undergo cholecystectomy exist, including unremitting acute cholecystitis, cholangitis, biliary obstruction, gallstone pancreatitis, or biliary-gastrointestinal fistula, **AND**
- Member has trialed and failed treatment with a preferred ursodiol product for at least 6 months due to an inadequate response, intolerable side effects, drug-drug interaction, or allergy to inactive ingredients contained in the preferred ursodiol formulations.

Initial approval: 1 year

Reauthorization: May be reauthorized for 1 additional year with provider attestation that partial or complete stone dissolution was observed after completion of the initial year of Reltone therapy. Maximum cumulative approval per member is 24 months.

Urso (ursodiol) and Urso Forte (ursodiol) may be approved for members meeting the following criteria:

- Member is ≥ 18 years of age AND
- Medication is prescribed by or in consultation with a gastroenterologist, hepatologist, or liver transplant provider AND
- Member has the diagnosis of Primary Biliary Cholangitis as evidenced by two of the following at the time of diagnosis:
 - Evidence of cholestasis with an alkaline phosphatase elevation of at least 1.5 times the upper limit of normal
 - Presence of antimitochondrial antibody with titer of 1:40 or higher
 - Histologic evidence of nonsuppurative destruction cholangitis and destruction of interlobular bile ducts AND
- Member has failed treatment with a preferred ursodiol product for at least 6 months due to an inadequate response, intolerable side effects, drug-drug interaction, or allergy to inactive ingredients contained in the preferred ursodiol formulations.

Requests for drug products that are FDA-indicated for the treatment of nonalcoholic steatohepatitis (NASH) may be approved if meeting the following:

- A diagnosis of NASH has been confirmed through liver biopsy AND
- Member meets the FDA-labeled minimum age requirement for the prescribed product AND

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member does not have significant liver disease other than NASH, AND The requested medication is being prescribed for use for the FDA-labeled indication and as outlined in product package labeling AND Medication is prescribed by or in consultation with a gastroenterologist, hepatologist, or liver transplant provider. <p>Non-preferred products prescribed for FDA-labeled indications not identified above may receive approval for use as outlined in product package labeling.</p>
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Therapeutic Drug Class: ANTI-EMETICS, Oral -Effective 7/1/2023

No PA Required	PA Required	
DICLEGIS DR ^{BNR} tablet (doxylamine/pyridoxine)	AKYNZEO (netupitant/palonosetron) capsule	<p>Emend (aprepitant) TriPack or Emend (aprepitant) powder kit may be approved following trial and failure of two preferred products AND Emend (aprepitant) <u>capsule</u>. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 14-day trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p> <p>Doxylamine/pyridoxine tablet (generic) or Bonjesta (doxylamine/pyridoxine) may be approved for 9 months if meeting the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member has nausea and vomiting associated with pregnancy AND Member has trialed and failed DICLEGIS DR tablet AND one of the following (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with a 7-day trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Antihistamine (such as diphenhydramine, dimenhydrinate, meclizine) OR Dopamine antagonist (such as metoclopramide, prochlorperazine, promethazine) OR Serotonin antagonist (ondansetron, granisetron) <p>All other non-preferred products may be approved for members who have trialed and failed treatment with two preferred products. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 14-day trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p> <p>Dronabinol prior authorization may be approved for members meeting above non-preferred criteria OR via AutoPA for members with documented HIV diagnosis.</p> <p>Promethazine product formulations require prior authorization for members < 2 years of age due to risk of fatal respiratory depression.</p>
Meclizine (Rx) 12.5 mg, 25 mg tablet	ANTIVERT (meclizine) 50 mg tablet	
Metoclopramide solution, tablet	Aprepitant capsule, tripack	
Ondansetron ODT, tablet	BONJESTA ER (doxylamine/pyridoxine) tablet	
Ondansetron oral suspension/solution	Doxylamine/pyridoxine tablet (generic Diclegis)	
Prochlorperazine tablet	Dronabinol capsule	
Promethazine syrup, tablet	EMEND (aprepitant) capsule, powder for suspension, dose/tri-pack	
Trimethobenzamide capsule	Granisetron tablet	
	MARINOL (dronabinol) capsule	
	Metoclopramide ODT	
	REGLAN (metoclopramide) tablet	
	TIGAN (trimethobenzamide) capsule	
	ZOFRAN (ondansetron) tablet	

Therapeutic Drug Class: ANTI-EMETICS, Non-Oral -Effective 7/1/2023

No PA Required	PA Required	
Prochlorperazine 25 mg suppository	COMPRO (Prochlorperazine) suppository	Non-preferred products may be approved for members who have trialed and failed treatment with two preferred products. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 14-day trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.

Promethazine 12.5 mg, 25 mg suppository	PROMETHEGAN 50 mg (Promethazine) suppository	
Scopolamine patch	SANCUSO (granisetron) patch TRANSDERM-SCOP (scopolamine) patch	
Therapeutic Drug Class: GI MOTILITY, CHRONIC -Effective 7/1/2023		
PA Required for all agents in this class		All agents will only be approved for FDA labeled indications and up to FDA approved maximum doses listed below.
Preferred	Non-Preferred	<p>Preferred agents may be approved if the member meets the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has diagnosis of Irritable Bowel Syndrome – Constipation (IBS-C), Chronic Idiopathic Constipation (CIC), or Opioid Induced Constipation (OIC) in patients with opioids prescribed for noncancer pain AND • Member does not have a diagnosis of GI obstruction AND • For indication of OIC, member opioid use must exceed 4 weeks of treatment • For indications of CIC, OIC, IBS-C; member must have documentation of adequate trial of two or more over-the-counter motility agents (polyethylene glycol, docusate or bisacodyl, for example). OR If the member cannot take oral medications, then the member must fail a 7-day trial with a nonphosphate enema (docusate or bisacodyl enema). Failure is defined as a lack of efficacy for a 7-day trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, contraindication to, or significant drug-drug interaction AND • For indication of IBS-D, must have documentation of adequate trial and failure with loperamide and trial and failure with dicyclomine or hyoscyamine. Failure is defined as a lack of efficacy for a 7-day trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, contraindication to, or significant drug-drug interaction. <p>Non-preferred agents may be approved if the member meets the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member meets all listed criteria for preferred agents AND • Member has trialed and failed two preferred agents OR if the indication is OIC caused by methadone, then a non-preferred agent may be approved after an adequate trial of MOVANTIK (naloxegol). Failure is defined as a lack of efficacy for a 7-day trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, contraindication to, or significant drug-drug interaction AND • If prescribed Viberzi (eluxadoline) or Lotronex (alosetron), member meets the additional criteria for those agents listed below. <p>VIBERZI (eluxadoline) may be approved for members who meet the following additional criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diagnosis of Irritable Bowel Syndrome – Diarrhea (IBS-D) AND • Member has a gallbladder AND
AMITIZA ^{BNR} (lubiprostone) capsule LINZESS (linaclotide) capsule MOVANTIK (naloxegol) tablet	Alosetron tablet LOTRONEX (alosetron) tablet Lubiprostone capsule MOTEGRITY (prucalopride) tablet RELISTOR (methylnaltrexone) tablet, syringe SYMPROIC (naldemedine) tablet TRULANCE (plecanatide) tablet VIBERZI (eluxadoline) tablet	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member does not have severe hepatic impairment (Child-Pugh C), history of severe constipation, known mechanical gastrointestinal obstruction, biliary duct obstruction, history of pancreatitis or structural disease of the pancreas AND Member does not drink more than 3 alcoholic drinks per day <p>LOTROXEX (alosetron) and generic alosetron may be approved for members who meet the following additional criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member is a female with Irritable Bowel Syndrome – Diarrhea (IBS-D) with symptoms lasting 6 months or longer AND Member does not have severe hepatic impairment (Child-Pugh C), history of severe constipation or ischemic colitis, hypercoagulable state, Crohn’s disease or ulcerative colitis, or known mechanical gastrointestinal obstruction.
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Medication	FDA approved indication	FDA Max Dose
Amitiza (lubiprostone)	IBS-C (females only), CIC, OIC (not caused by methadone)	48mcg/day
Linzess (linaclotide)	IBS-C, CIC	290mcg/day
Movantik (naloxegol)	OIC	25mg/day
Viberzi (eluxadoline)	IBS-D	200mg/day
Relistor subcutaneous injection (methylnaltrexone)	OIC	12mg/day
Relistor oral (methylnaltrexone)	OIC	450mg/day
Lotronex (alosetron)	IBS-D (females only)	2mg/day (females only)
Symproic (Naldemedine)	OIC	0.2mg/day
Trulance (plecanatide)	CIC, IBS-C	3mg/day
Motegrity (prucalopride)	CIC	2mg/day

CIC – chronic idiopathic constipation, OIC – opioid induced constipation, IBS – irritable bowel syndrome, D – diarrhea predominant, C – constipation predominant

Therapeutic Drug Class: H. PYLORI TREATMENTS -Effective 7/1/2023

No PA Required	PA Required	
PYLERA ^{BNR} capsule (bismuth subcitrate/metronidazole tetracycline)	Amoxicillin/lansoprazole/clarithromycin pack OMECLAMOX-PAK (amoxicillin/omeprazole/clarithromycin) TALICIA (omeprazole/amoxicillin/ rifabutin) tablet Bismuth subcitrate/metronidazole tetracycline capsule	Non-preferred <i>H. pylori</i> treatments should be used as individual product ingredients unless one of the individual products is not commercially available, then a PA for the combination product may be given.

Therapeutic Drug Class: HEMORRHOIDAL, ANORECTAL, AND RELATED TOPICAL ANESTHETIC AGENTS - <i>Effective 7/1/2023</i>		
Hydrocortisone single agent		<p>Non-preferred products may be approved following trial and failure of therapy with 3 preferred products (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 4-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions).</p>
No PA Required	PA Required	
ANUSOL-HC (hydrocortisone) 2.5% cream with applicator CORTIFOAM (hydrocortisone) 10% aerosol Hydrocortisone 1% cream with applicator Hydrocortisone 2.5% cream with applicator Hydrocortisone enema PROCTO-MED HC (hydrocortisone) 2.5% cream PROCTO-PAK (hydrocortisone) 1% cream PROCTOSOL-HC 2.5% (hydrocortisone) cream PROCTOZONE-HC 2.5% (hydrocortisone) cream	COLOCORT (hydrocortisone) enema CORTENEMA (hydrocortisone) enema MICORT-HC (hydrocortisone) cream	
Lidocaine single agent		
No PA Required	PA Required	<p>Rectiv (nitroglycerin) ointment may be approved if meeting the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member has a diagnosis of anal fissure AND • Prescriber attests that member has trialed and maximized use of appropriate supportive therapies including sitz bath, fiber, topical analgesics (such as lidocaine), and stool softeners/laxatives.
Lidocaine 5% ointment	Lidocaine 3% cream	
Other and Combinations		
No PA Required	PA Required	
Hydrocortisone-Pramoxine 1%-1% cream	EPIFOAM (Hydrocortisone-Pramoxine) 1%-1% foam	
Hydrocortisone-Pramoxine 2.5%-1% cream	Lidocaine-Hydrocortisone in Coleus 2%-2% cream kit	

Lidocaine-Hydrocortisone 3-0.5% cream with applicator	Lidocaine-Hydrocortisone 2.8%-0.55% gel	
Lidocaine-Prilocaine Cream (<i>all other manufacturers</i>)	Lidocaine-Hydrocortisone 3%-0.5% cream w/o applicator, cream kit	
PROCTOFOAM-HC (hydrocortisone-pramoxine) 1%-1% foam	Lidocaine-Hydrocortisone 3%-1% cream kit	
	Lidocaine-Hydrocortisone 3%-2.5% gel kit	
	Lidocaine-Prilocaine Cream (<i>Fougera only</i>)	
	PLIAGIS (lidocaine-tetracaine) 7%-7% cream	
	RECTIV (nitroglycerin) 0.4% ointment	

Therapeutic Drug Class: PANCREATIC ENZYMES -Effective 7/1/2023

No PA Required	PA Required	
CREON (pancrelipase) capsule	PERTZYE (pancrelipase) capsule	Non-preferred products may be approved for members who have failed an adequate trial (4 weeks) with at least two preferred products. (Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interaction.)
ZENPEP (pancrelipase) capsule	VIOKACE (pancrelipase) tablet	

Therapeutic Drug Class: PROTON PUMP INHIBITORS -Effective 7/1/2023

No PA Required	PA Required	
DEXILANT (dexlansoprazole) capsule ^{BNR}	ACIPHEX (rabeprazole) tablet, sprinkle capsule	<p>For members treating GERD symptoms that are controlled on PPI therapy, it is recommended that the dose of the PPI be re-evaluated or step-down with an H2 blocker (such as famotidine or ranitidine) be trialed in order to reduce long-term PPI use. Prior authorization for non-preferred proton pump inhibitors may be approved if all of the following criteria are met:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Member has a qualifying diagnosis (below) AND ● Member has trialed and failed therapy with three preferred agents within the last 24 months. (Failure is defined as: lack of efficacy following 4-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction) AND ● Member has been diagnosed using one of the following diagnostic methods: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Diagnosis made by GI specialist ○ Endoscopy ○ X-ray ○ Biopsy ○ Blood test ○ Breath Test <p>Qualifying Diagnoses: Barrett's esophagus, duodenal ulcer, erosive esophagitis, gastric ulcer, GERD, GI Bleed, H. pylori infection, hypersecretory conditions (Zollinger-Ellison), NSAID-induced ulcer, pediatric esophagitis, requiring mechanical ventilation, requiring a feeding tube</p> <p>Quantity Limits:</p>
Esomeprazole DR capsule (RX)	Dexlansoprazole capsule	
Lansoprazole DR capsules (RX)	Esomeprazole DR 49.3 capsule (RX), (OTC) capsule, packet for oral suspension	
Lansoprazole ODT (lansoprazole) (<i>for members under 2 years</i>)	Lansoprazole DR capsule OTC	
NEXIUM ^{BNR} (esomeprazole) oral suspension packet	NEXIUM (esomeprazole) capsule (RX), 24HR (OTC)	
Omeprazole DR capsule (RX)	Omeprazole/Na Bicarbonate capsule, packet for oral suspension	
Pantoprazole tablet	Omeprazole DR tablet (OTC), ODT (OTC)	
PROTONIX (pantoprazole DR) packet for oral suspension ^{BNR}	Pantoprazole packet for oral suspension	
	PREVACID (lansoprazole) capsule, Solutab, suspension	

	<p>PRILOSEC (omeprazole) suspension</p> <p>PROTONIX (pantoprazole DR) tablet</p> <p>Rabeprazole tablet</p> <p>ZEGERID (omeprazole/Na bicarbonate) capsule, packet for oral suspension</p>	<p>All agents will be limited to once daily dosing except when used for the following diagnoses: Barrett’s esophagus, GI Bleed, H. pylori infection, hypersecretory conditions (Zollinger-Ellison), or members who have spinal cord injury with associated acid reflux.</p> <p>Adult members with GERD on once daily, high-dose PPI therapy who continue to experience symptoms may receive initial prior authorization approval for a 4-week trial of twice daily, high-dose PPI therapy. Continuation of the twice daily dosing regimen for GERD beyond 4 weeks will require additional prior authorization approval verifying adequate member response to the dosing regimen and approval may be placed for one year. If a member with symptomatic GERD does not respond to twice daily, high-dose PPI therapy, this should be considered a treatment failure.</p> <p>Pediatric members (< 18 years of age) on once daily dosing of a PPI who continue to experience symptoms may receive one-year prior authorization approval for twice daily PPI therapy.</p> <p>Age Limits: Nexium 24H and Zegerid will not be approved for members less than 18 years of age.</p> <p>Prevacid Solutab may be approved for members < 2 years of age OR for members ≥ 2 years of age with a feeding tube.</p>
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Therapeutic Drug Class: NON-BIOLOGIC ULCERATIVE COLITIS AGENTS- Oral -Effective 7/1/2023

No PA Required	PA Required	
<p>APRISO^{BNR} (mesalamine ER) capsule</p> <p>LIALDA^{BNR} (mesalamine DR) tablet</p> <p>PENTASA^{BNR} (mesalamine) capsule</p> <p>Sulfasalazine IR and DR tablet</p>	<p>ASACOL HD (mesalamine DR) tablet</p> <p>AZULFIDINE (sulfasalazine) Entab, tablet</p> <p>Balsalazide capsule</p> <p>Budesonide DR tablet</p> <p>COLAZAL (balsalazide) capsule</p> <p>DELZICOL (mesalamine DR) capsule</p> <p>DIPENTUM (olsalazine) capsule</p> <p>Mesalamine DR tablet (generic Asacol HD, Lialda)</p> <p>Mesalamine DR/ER capsule (generic Apriso, Delzicol, Pentasa)</p> <p>UCERIS (budesonide) tablet</p>	<p>Prior authorization for non-preferred oral formulations will require trial and failure of two preferred oral products with different active ingredients AND one preferred rectal product. If inflammation is not within reach of topical therapy, trial of preferred rectal product is not required. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p> <p>Uceris (budesonide) tablet: Prior authorization may be approved following trial and failure of one preferred oral product AND one preferred rectal product. If inflammation is not within reach of topical therapy, trial of preferred rectal product is not required. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction. Approval will be placed for 8 weeks. Further prior authorization may be approved if 7 days of steroid-free time has elapsed, and member continues to meet the above criteria.</p>

Therapeutic Drug Class: NON-BIOLOGIC ULCERATIVE COLITIS AGENTS- Rectal -Effective 7/1/2023		
No PA Required	PA Required	<p>Prior authorization for non-preferred rectal formulations will require trial and failure of one preferred rectal formulation and one preferred oral formulation (Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction).</p> <p>Uceris (budesonide) foam: If the above criteria are met, Uceris (budesonide) foam prior authorization may be approved for 6 weeks. Further prior authorization may be approved if 7 days of steroid-free time has elapsed, and member continues to meet the above criteria.</p>
<p>Mesalamine suppository</p> <p>Mesalamine 4gm/60 ml enema (generic SF ROWASA)</p>	<p>CANASA (mesalamine) suppository</p> <p>Mesalamine enema, kit</p> <p>ROWASA/SF ROWASA enema, kit (mesalamine)</p> <p>UCERIS (budesonide) foam</p>	

VIII. Hematological

Therapeutic Drug Class: ANTICOAGULANTS- Oral -Effective 7/1/2023		
No PA Required	PA Required	<p>SAVAYSA (edoxaban) may be approved if all the following criteria have been met:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The member has failed therapy with two preferred agents. (Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction) AND ● Member is not on dialysis AND ● Member does not have CrCl > 95 mL/min AND ● The member has a diagnosis of deep vein thrombosis (DVT), pulmonary embolism (PE) OR ● The member has a diagnosis of non-valvular atrial fibrillation AND ● The member does not have a mechanical prosthetic heart valve <p>XARELTO 2.5mg (rivaroxaban) may be approved for members meeting all of the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Xarelto 2.5mg is being prescribed to reduce major CV events in members diagnosis of chronic coronary artery disease (CAD) or peripheral artery disease AND ● Xarelto 2.5mg is being taken twice daily and in combination with aspirin 75-100mg daily AND ● Member must not be receiving dual antiplatelet therapy, other non-aspirin antiplatelet therapy, or other oral anticoagulant AND ● Member must not have had an ischemic, non-lacunar stroke within the past month AND ● Member must not have had a hemorrhagic or lacunar stroke at any time
<p>ELIQUIS (apixaban) tablet</p> <p>PRADAXA^{BNR} (dabigatran) capsule</p> <p>Warfarin tablet</p> <p>XARELTO (rivaroxaban) 10 mg, 15 mg, 20 mg tablet, dose pack</p>	<p>Dabigatran capsule</p> <p>PRADAXA (dabigatran) pellet</p> <p>SAVAYSA (edoxaban) tablet</p> <p>XARELTO (rivaroxaban) 2.5 mg tablet</p> <p>XARELTO (rivaroxaban) oral suspension</p>	

		<p>XARELTO (rivaroxaban) oral suspension may be approved without prior authorization for members <18 years of age who require a rivaroxaban dose of less than 10 mg OR with prior authorization verifying the member is unable to use the solid oral dosage form.</p> <p>All other non-preferred oral agents require trial and failure of two preferred oral agents. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p> <p>Continuation of Care: Members with current prior authorization approval on file for a non-preferred <u>oral</u> anticoagulant medication may continue to receive approval for that medication</p>
Therapeutic Drug Class: ANTICOAGULANTS- Parenteral -Effective 7/1/2023		
No PA Required	PA Required	<p>Non-preferred parenteral anticoagulants may be approved if member has trial and failure of one preferred parenteral agent. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction</p> <p>ARIXTRA (fondaparinux) may be approved if the following criteria have been met:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Member is 18 years of age or older AND ● Member has a CrCl > 30 ml/min AND ● Member weighs > 50 kg AND ● Member has a documented history of heparin induced-thrombocytopenia OR ● Member has a contraindication to enoxaparin <p>Members currently stabilized on fondaparinux (Arixtra) or dalteparin (Fragmin) may receive prior authorization approval to continue receiving that medication.</p>
Enoxaparin syringe	ARIXTRA (fondaparinux) syringe	
Enoxaparin vial	Fondaparinux syringe	
	FRAGMIN (dalteparin) vial, syringe	
	LOVENOX (enoxaparin) syringe, vial	
Therapeutic Drug Class: ANTI-PLATELETS -Effective 7/1/2023		
No PA Required	PA Required	<p>Zontivity (vorapaxar) may be approved for patients with a diagnosis of myocardial infarction or peripheral artery disease without a history of stroke, transient ischemic attack, intracranial bleeding, or active pathological bleeding. Patients must also be taking aspirin and/or clopidogrel concomitantly.</p> <p>Non-preferred products without criteria will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.</p>
Aspirin/dipyridamole ER capsule	EFFIENT (prasugrel) tablet	
BRILINTA (tigacrelor) tablet	PLAVIX (clopidogrel) tablet	
Cilostazol tablet	ZONTIVITY (vorapaxar) tablet	
Clopidogrel tablet		
Dipyridamole tablet		
Pentoxifylline ER tablet		
Prasugrel tablet		

Therapeutic Drug Class: COLONY STIMULATING FACTORS -Effective 7/1/2023	
PA Required for all agents in this class*	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
<p>NEUPOGEN (filgrastim) vial, syringe</p> <p>NYVEPRIA (pegfilgrastim-apgf) syringe</p>	<p>FULPHILA (pegfilgrastim-jmdb) syringe</p> <p>GRANIX (tbo-filgrastim) syringe, vial</p> <p>LEUKINE (sargramostim) vial</p> <p>NEULASTA (pegfilgrastim) kit, syringe</p> <p>NIVESYM (filgrastim-aafi) syringe, vial</p> <p>RELEUKO (filgrastim-ayow) syringe, vial</p> <p>UDENYCA (pegfilgrastim-cbqv) syringe</p> <p>ZARXIO (filgrastim-sndz) syringe</p> <p>ZIEXTENZO (pegfilgrastim-bmez) syringe</p>
<p>*Prior authorization for preferred agents may be approved if meeting the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medication is being used for one of the following indications: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Patient with cancer receiving myelosuppressive chemotherapy –to reduce incidence of infection (febrile neutropenia) (Either the post nadir ANC is less than 10,000 cells/mm3 or the risk of neutropenia for the member is calculated to be greater than 20%) ○ Acute Myeloid Leukemia (AML) patients receiving chemotherapy ○ Bone Marrow Transplant (BMT) ○ Peripheral Blood Progenitor Cell Collection and Therapy ○ Hematopoietic Syndrome of Acute Radiation Syndrome ○ Severe Chronic Neutropenia (Evidence of neutropenia infection exists or ANC is below 750 cells/mm3) <p>AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For Nyvepria (pegfilgrastim-apgf), the member meets the following criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Member has trial and failure of Neupogen. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, intolerable side effects, drug-drug interaction, or contraindication to Neupogen therapy. Trial and failure of Neupogen will not be required if meeting one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Member has limited access to caregiver or support system for assistance with medication administration OR ▪ Member has inadequate access to healthcare facility or home care interventions. ▪ <p>Prior authorization for non-preferred agents may be approved if meeting the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medication is being used for one of the following indications: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Patient with cancer receiving myelosuppressive chemotherapy –to reduce incidence of infection (febrile neutropenia) (Either the post nadir ANC is less than 10,000 cells/mm3 or the risk of neutropenia for the member is calculated to be greater than 20%) ○ Acute Myeloid Leukemia (AML) patients receiving chemotherapy ○ Bone Marrow Transplant (BMT) ○ Peripheral Blood Progenitor Cell Collection and Therapy ○ Hematopoietic Syndrome of Acute Radiation Syndrome ○ Severe Chronic Neutropenia (Evidence of neutropenia infection exists or ANC is below 750 cells/mm3) <p>AND</p>	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member has history of trial and failure of Neupogen AND one other preferred agent. Failure is defined as a lack of efficacy with a 3-month trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, significant drug-drug interactions, or contraindication to therapy. Trial and failure of Neupogen will not be required if meeting one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member has limited access to caregiver or support system for assistance with medication administration OR Member has inadequate access to healthcare facility or home care interventions.
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Therapeutic Drug Class: ERYTHROPOIESIS STIMULATING AGENTS *Effective 7/1/2023*

PA Required for all agents in this class*		<p>*Prior Authorization is required for all products and may be approved if meeting the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medication is being administered in the member’s home or in a long-term care facility AND Member meets <u>one</u> of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A diagnosis of cancer, currently receiving chemotherapy, with chemotherapy-induced anemia, and hemoglobin[†] of 10g/dL or lower OR A diagnosis of chronic renal failure, and hemoglobin[†] below 10g/dL OR A diagnosis of hepatitis C, currently taking ribavirin and failed response to a reduction of ribavirin dose, and hemoglobin[†] less than 10g/dL (or less than 11g/dL if symptomatic) OR A diagnosis of HIV, currently taking zidovudine, hemoglobin[†] less than 10g/dL, and serum erythropoietin level of 500 mU/mL or less OR Member is undergoing elective, noncardiac, nonvascular surgery and medication is given to reduce receipt of allogenic red blood cell transfusions, hemoglobin[†] is greater than 10g/dL, but less than or equal to 13g/dL and high risk for perioperative blood loss. Member is not willing or unable to donate autologous blood pre-operatively <p>AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For any non-preferred product, member has trialed and failed treatment with one preferred product. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with a 6-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction. <p>[†]Hemoglobin results must be from the last 30 days.</p>
Preferred	Non-Preferred	
EPOGEN (epoetin alfa) vial	ARANESP (darbepoetin alfa) syringe, vial	
RETACRIT (epoetin alfa-epbx) <i>(Pfizer only)</i>	MIRCERA (methoxy peg-epoetin beta) syringe PROCRIT (epoetin alfa) vial	

IX. Immunological

Therapeutic Drug Class: IMMUNE GLOBULINS *-Effective 1/1/2024*

PA Required for all agents in this class*		<p>Preferred agents may be approved for members meeting at least one of the approved conditions listed below for prescribed doses not exceeding maximum (Table 1).</p> <p>Non-preferred agents may be approved for members meeting the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member meets at least one of the approved conditions listed below AND
Preferred	Non-Preferred	
CUVITRU 20% SQ liquid	BIVIGAM 10% IV liquid	

<p>GAMMAGARD 10% IV/SQ liquid</p> <p>GAMUNEX-C 10% IV/SQ liquid</p> <p>HIZENTRA 20% SQ liquid, syringe</p> <p>PRIVIGEN 10% IV liquid</p> <p><i>If immune globulin is being administered in a long-term care facility or in a member's home by a home healthcare provider, it should be billed as a pharmacy claim. All other claims must be submitted through the medical benefit.</i></p>	<p>CUTAQUIG 16.5% SQ liquid</p> <p>FLEBOGAMMA DIF 5%, 10% IV liquid</p> <p>GAMMAGARD S/D vial</p> <p>GAMMAKED 10% IV/SQ liquid</p> <p>GAMMAPLEX 5%, 10% IV liquid</p> <p>HYQVIA 10% SQ liquid</p> <p>OCTAGAM 5%, 10% IV liquid</p> <p>PANZYGA 10% IV liquid</p> <p>XEMBIFY 20% IV liquid</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member has history of trial and failure of two preferred agents (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 4-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions) AND Prescribed dose does not exceed listed maximum (Table 1) <p>Approved Conditions for Immune Globulin Use:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Primary Humoral Immunodeficiency disorders including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Common Variable Immunodeficiency (CVID) Severe Combined Immunodeficiency (SCID) X-Linked Agammaglobulinemia X-Linked with Hyperimmunoglobulin M (IgM) Immunodeficiency Wiskott-Aldrich Syndrome Members < 13 years of age with pediatric Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) and CD-4 count > 200/mm3 Neurological disorders including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Guillain-Barré Syndrome Relapsing-Remitting Multiple Sclerosis Chronic Inflammatory Demyelinating Polyneuropathy Myasthenia Gravis Polymyositis and Dermatomyositis Multifocal Motor Neuropathy Kawasaki Syndrome Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia (CLL) Autoimmune Neutropenia (AN) with absolute neutrophil count < 800 mm and history of recurrent bacterial infections Autoimmune Hemolytic Anemia (AHA) Liver or Intestinal Transplant Immune Thrombocytopenia Purpura (ITP) including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requiring preoperative therapy for undergoing elective splenectomy with platelet count < 20,000/mcL Members with active bleeding & platelet count <30,000/mcL Pregnant members with platelet counts <10,000/mcL in the third trimester Pregnant members with platelet count 10,000 to 30,000/mcL who are bleeding Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome in Children (MIS-C) <table border="1" data-bbox="1171 1219 1948 1502"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="2">Table 1: FDA-Approved Maximum Immune Globulin Dosing</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Asceniv – IV admin</td> <td>800 mg/kg every 3 to 4 weeks</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bivigam – IV admin</td> <td>800 mg/kg every 3 to 4 weeks</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cuvitru –subcutaneous admin</td> <td>12 grams/site for up to four sites weekly (48grams/week)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Flebogamma DIF – IV admin</td> <td>600 mg/kg every 3 weeks</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Gammaplex 5% – IV admin</td> <td>800 mg/kg every 3 weeks</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Gammagard liquid subcutaneous or IV admin</td> <td>2.4 grams/kg/month</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Table 1: FDA-Approved Maximum Immune Globulin Dosing		Asceniv – IV admin	800 mg/kg every 3 to 4 weeks	Bivigam – IV admin	800 mg/kg every 3 to 4 weeks	Cuvitru –subcutaneous admin	12 grams/site for up to four sites weekly (48grams/week)	Flebogamma DIF – IV admin	600 mg/kg every 3 weeks	Gammaplex 5% – IV admin	800 mg/kg every 3 weeks	Gammagard liquid subcutaneous or IV admin	2.4 grams/kg/month
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Asceniv – IV admin	800 mg/kg every 3 to 4 weeks															
Bivigam – IV admin	800 mg/kg every 3 to 4 weeks															
Cuvitru –subcutaneous admin	12 grams/site for up to four sites weekly (48grams/week)															
Flebogamma DIF – IV admin	600 mg/kg every 3 weeks															
Gammaplex 5% – IV admin	800 mg/kg every 3 weeks															
Gammagard liquid subcutaneous or IV admin	2.4 grams/kg/month															

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Therapeutic Drug Class: NEWER GENERATION ANTIHISTAMINES -Effective 1/1/2024

No PA Required	PA Required	
Cetirizine (OTC) syrup/solution (OTC/RX), tablet	Cetirizine (OTC) chewable tablet, softgel, UD cups solution	<p>Non-preferred single agent antihistamine products may be approved for members who have failed treatment with two preferred products in the last 6 months. For members with respiratory allergies, an additional trial of an intranasal corticosteroid will be required in the last 6 months.</p> <p>Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with a 14-day trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p>
Desloratadine tablet (RX)	CLARINEX (desloratadine) tablet	
Levocetirizine tablet (RX/OTC)	Desloratadine ODT (RX)	
Loratadine tablet (OTC), syrup/solution (OTC)	Fexofenadine tablet (OTC), suspension (OTC)	
	Levocetirizine solution (RX)	
	Loratadine chewable (OTC), ODT (OTC)	

Therapeutic Drug Class: ANTIHISTAMINE/DECONGESTANT COMBINATIONS - Effective 1/1/2024

No PA Required	PA Required	
Loratadine-D (OTC) tablet	Cetirizine-PSE (OTC) CLARINEX-D (desloratadine-D) Fexofenadine/PSE (OTC)	<p>Non-preferred antihistamine/decongestant combinations may be approved for members who have failed treatment with the preferred product in the last 6 months. For members with respiratory allergies, an additional trial of an intranasal corticosteroid will be required in the last 6 months.</p> <p>Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p>

Therapeutic Drug Class: INTRANASAL RHINITIS AGENTS -Effective 1/1/2024

No PA Required	PA Required	
Azelastine 137 mcg	Azelastine (Astepro) 0.15%	

<p>Budesonide (OTC)</p> <p>DYMISTA (azelastine/ fluticasone)^{BNR}</p> <p>Fluticasone (RX)</p> <p>Ipratropium</p> <p>Olopatadine</p> <p>Triamcinolone acetonide (OTC)</p>	<p>Azelastine/Fluticasone</p> <p>BECONASE AQ (beclomethasone dipropionate)</p> <p>Flunisolide 0.025%</p> <p>Fluticasone (OTC)</p> <p>Mometasone</p> <p>NASONEX (mometasone)</p> <p>OMNARIS (ciclesonide)</p> <p>PATANASE (olopatadine)</p> <p>QNASL (beclomethasone)</p> <p>RYALTRIS (olopatadine/mometasone)</p> <p>XHANCE (fluticasone)</p> <p>ZETONNA (ciclesonide)</p>	<p>Non-preferred products may be approved following trial and failure of treatment with three preferred products (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with a 2-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions).</p> <p>Non-preferred combination agents may be approved following trial of individual products with same active ingredients AND trial and failure of one additional preferred agent (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 2-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions).</p>
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Therapeutic Drug Class: LEUKOTRIENE MODIFIERS -Effective 1/1/2024

<p style="text-align: center;">No PA Required</p> <p>Montelukast tablet, chewable</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">PA Required</p> <p>ACCOLATE (zafirlukast) tablet</p> <p>Montelukast granules</p> <p>SINGULAIR (montelukast) tablet, chewable, granules</p> <p>Zafirlukast tablet</p> <p>Zileuton ER tablet</p> <p>ZYFLO (zileuton) tablet</p>	<p>Non-preferred products may be approved if meeting the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member has trialed and failed treatment with one preferred product (failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions) AND Member has a diagnosis of asthma. <p>Montelukast granules may be approved if a member has tried and failed montelukast chewable tablets AND has difficulty swallowing.</p>
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Therapeutic Drug Class: METHOTREXATE PRODUCTS -Effective 1/1/2024

<p style="text-align: center;">No PA Required</p> <p>Methotrexate oral tablet, vial</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">PA Required</p> <p>OTREXUP (methotrexate) auto-injector</p>	<p>OTREXUP, REDITREX or RASUVO may be approved if meeting the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member has diagnosis of severe, active rheumatoid arthritis OR active polyarticular juvenile idiopathic arthritis (pJIA) OR inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) AND
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	<p>RASUVO (methotrexate) auto-injector</p> <p>REDITREX (methotrexate) syringe</p> <p>TREXALL (methotrexate) oral tablet</p> <p>XATMEP (methotrexate) oral solution</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member has trialed and failed preferred methotrexate tablet formulation (failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, inability to take oral product formulation, or member has a diagnosis of pJIA and provider has determined that the subcutaneous formulation is necessary to optimize methotrexate therapy) AND Member (or parent/caregiver) is unable to administer preferred methotrexate vial formulation due to limited functional ability (such as vision impairment, limited manual dexterity and/or limited hand strength). <p>TREXALL may be approved if meeting the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member has trialed and failed preferred methotrexate tablet formulation. Failure is defined as allergy or intolerable side effects. <p>XATMEP may be approved for members who meet the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member is < 18 years of age Member has a diagnosis of acute lymphoblastic leukemia OR Member has a diagnosis of active polyarticular juvenile idiopathic arthritis (pJIA) and has had an insufficient therapeutic response to, or is intolerant to, an adequate trial of first-line therapy including full dose non-steroidal anti-inflammatory agents (NSAIDs) AND Member has a documented swallowing difficulty due to young age and/or a medical condition and is unable to use the preferred methotrexate tablet formulation <p><i>Methotrexate can cause serious embryo-fetal harm when administered during pregnancy and it is contraindicated for use during pregnancy for the treatment of non-malignant diseases. Advise members of reproductive potential to use effective contraception during and after treatment with methotrexate, according to FDA product labeling.</i></p> <p>Members currently stabilized on a non-preferred methotrexate product may receive approval to continue that agent.</p>
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Therapeutic Drug Class: MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS AGENTS -Effective 4/1/2024

Disease Modifying Therapies

<p align="center">Preferred No PA Required (Unless indicated*)</p>	<p align="center">Non-Preferred PA Required</p>	
<p>AVONEX (interferon beta 1a) pen, syringe</p> <p>BETASERON (interferon beta 1b) injection</p> <p>COPAXONE^{BNR} (glatiramer) injection</p>	<p>AUBAGIO (teriflunomide) tablet</p> <p>BAFIERTAM (monomethyl fumarate DR) capsule</p> <p>EXTAVIA (interferon beta 1b) kit, vial</p> <p>GILENYA (fingolimod) capsule</p> <p>Glatiramer 20mg, 40mg injection</p>	<p>*Kesimpta (ofatumumab) may be approved if member has trialed and failed treatment with one preferred agent (failure is defined as intolerable side effects, contraindication to therapy, drug-drug interaction, or lack of efficacy).</p> <p><u>Non-Preferred Products:</u> Non-preferred products may be approved if meeting the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member has a diagnosis of a relapsing form of multiple sclerosis AND Member has previous trial and failure with three preferred agents. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction AND Prescribed dose does not exceed the maximum FDA-approved dose for the medication being ordered AND

<p>Dimethyl fumarate tablet, starter pack</p> <p>Fingolimod capsule</p> <p>*KESIMPTA (ofatumumab) pen **2nd Line**</p> <p>Teriflunomide tablet</p>	<p>GLATOPA (glatiramer) injection</p> <p>MAVENCLAD (cladribine) tablet</p> <p>MAYZENT (siponimod) tablet, pack</p> <p>PLEGRIDY (peg-interferon beta 1a) pen, syringe</p> <p>PONVORY (ponesimod) tablet, pack</p> <p>REBIF (interferon beta 1a) syringe</p> <p>REBIF REDIDOSE (interferon beta 1a) pen</p> <p>TASCENSO ODT (fingolimod) tablet</p> <p>TECFIDERA (dimethyl fumarate) tablet, pack</p> <p>VUMERITY (diroximel DR) capsule</p> <p>ZEPOSIA (ozanimod) capsule, kit, starter pack</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If indicated in the product labeling, a negative pre-treatment pregnancy test has been documented, AND • If indicated in the product labeling, an ophthalmologic examination has been performed and documented prior to medication initiation, AND • The request meets additional criteria listed for any of the following: <p>Mayzent (siponimod):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member has previous trial and failure of three preferred agents, one of which must be Gilenya (fingolimod). Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction. <p>Mavenclad (cladribine):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member has history of ≥ 1 relapse in the 12 months preceding initiation of therapy AND • Member has previous trial and failure of three other therapies for relapsing forms of multiple sclerosis (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 3-month trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interactions) <p>Vumerity (diroximel fumarate) or Bafiertam (monomethyl fumarate DR):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member has previous trial and failure of three preferred agents, one of which must be Tecfidera (dimethyl fumarate). Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, significant drug-drug interactions, intolerable side effects (if GI adverse events, must meet additional criteria below) AND • If the requested medication is being prescribed due to GI adverse events with Tecfidera therapy (and no other reason for failure of Tecfidera is given), then the following additional criteria must be met: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Member has trialed a temporary dose reduction of Tecfidera (with maintenance dose being resumed within 4 weeks) AND ○ Member has trialed taking Tecfidera with food AND ○ GI adverse events remain significant despite maximized use of gastrointestinal symptomatic therapies (such as calcium carbonate, bismuth subsalicylate, PPIs, H2 blockers, anti-bloating/anti-constipation agents, anti-diarrheal, and centrally acting anti-emetics) AND ○ Initial authorization will be limited to 3 months. Continuation (12-month authorization) will require documentation of clinically significant reduction in GI adverse events. <p>Members currently stabilized on a preferred second line (Kesimpta) or non-preferred product (may receive approval to continue therapy with that agent).</p>
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Symptom Management Therapies

<p align="center">No PA Required</p> <p>Dalfampridine ER tablet</p>	<p align="center">PA Required</p> <p>AMPYRA ER (dalfampridine) tablet</p>	<p>Non-preferred products may be approved with prescriber attestation that there is clinical rationale supporting why the preferred brand/generic equivalent product formulation is unable to be used.</p> <p><u>Maximum Dose:</u></p>
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		Ampyra (dalfampridine) 10mg twice daily
<p align="center">Therapeutic Drug Class: TARGETED IMMUNE MODULATORS -Effective 1/1/2024</p> <p align="center"><i>Preferred agents:</i> ADBRY (tralokinumab-ldrm); DUPIXENT (dupilumab); ENBREL (etanercept); FASENRA (benralizumab) pen; HADLIMA (adalimumab- bwwd); HUMIRA (adalimumab); OTEZLA (apremilast) tablet; KEVZARA (sarilumab); TALTZ (ixekizumab); TEZSPIRE (tezepelumab-ekko) pen; XELJANZ IR (tofacitinib) tablet; XOLAIR (omalizumab) syringe</p>		
<p align="center">Rheumatoid Arthritis, all other Arthritis (except psoriatic arthritis, see below), and Ankylosing Spondylitis</p>		
<p align="center">Preferred No PA Required (If diagnosis met) (*Must meet eligibility criteria)</p> <p>ENBREL (etanercept)</p> <p>HADLIMA (adalimumab-bwwd) Push touch, syringe</p> <p>HUMIRA (adalimumab)</p> <p>*KEVZARA (sarilumab) pen, syringe</p> <p>*TALTZ (ixekizumab)</p> <p>XELJANZ IR (tofacitinib) tablet</p>	<p align="center">Non-Preferred PA Required</p> <p>Adalimumab-adaz pen, syringe</p> <p>ACTEMRA (tocilizumab) syringe, Actpen</p> <p>AMJEVITA (adalimumab-atto) auto-injector, syringe</p> <p>CIMZIA (certolizumab pegol) syringe</p> <p>COSENTYX (secukinumab) syringe, pen-injector</p> <p>CYLTEZO (adalimumab-adbm) pen, syringe</p> <p>HULIO (adalimumab-fkjp) syringe</p> <p>HYRIMOZ (adalimumab-adaz) pen, syringe</p> <p>IDACIO (adalimumab-aacf) pen, syringe</p> <p>ILARIS (canakinumab) vial</p> <p>KINERET (anakinra) syringe</p> <p>OLUMIANT (baricitinib) tablet</p> <p>ORENCIA (abatacept) clickject, syringe</p> <p>RINVOQ (upadacitinib) tablet</p> <p>SIMPONI (golimumab) pen, syringe</p> <p>XELJANZ (tofacitinib) solution</p>	<p>First line preferred agents (HADLIMA, HUMIRA, ENBREL, and XELJANZ IR) may receive approval for use for FDA-labeled indications.</p> <p>*TALTZ (ixekizumab) may receive approval for use for FDA-labeled indications following trial and failure‡ of HADLIMA/HUMIRA or ENBREL.</p> <p>*KEVZARA (sarilumab) may receive approval for use for FDA-labeled indications following trial and failure‡ of HADLIMA/HUMIRA or ENBREL AND XELJANZ IR.</p> <p><u>Quantity Limit:</u> XELJANZ IR is limited to 2 tablets per day or 60 tablets for a 30-day supply</p> <p><u>Non-Preferred Agents:</u></p> <p>COSENTYX (secukinumab) may receive approval for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FDA-labeled indications following trial and failure‡ of all indicated preferred agents OR • Treatment of enthesitis-related arthritis if meeting the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Member is ≥ 4 years of age and weighs ≥ 15 kg AND ○ Member has had trialed and failed‡ NSAID therapy AND ENBREL AND HADLIMA/HUMIRA <p>KINERET (anakinra) may receive approval for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FDA-labeled indications following trial and failure‡ of HADLIMA/HUMIRA OR ENBREL AND XELJANZ IR OR • Treatment of systemic juvenile idiopathic arthritis (sJIA) or Adult-Onset Still’s Disease (AOSD) <p>ILARIS (canakinumab) may receive approval if meeting the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medication is being prescribed for systemic juvenile idiopathic arthritis (sJIA) or Adult-Onset Still’s Disease (AOSD), AND

	<p>XELJANZ XR (tofacitinib ER) tablet</p> <p>YUFLYMA (adalimumab-aaty) auto-injector</p> <p>YUSIMRY (adalimumab-aqvh) pen</p> <p><i>Note: Product formulations in the physician administered drug (PAD) category are located on Appendix P</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member has trialed and failed‡ ACTEMRA (tocilizumab) Quantity Limits (effective 2/15/2024): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cryopyrin-associated periodic syndrome: 600mg (4mL) every 8 weeks All other indications: 300mg (2mL) every 4 weeks <p>XELJANZ (tofacitinib) XR approval will require verification of the clinically relevant reason for use of the XELJANZ XR formulation versus the XELJANZ IR formulation, in addition to meeting non-preferred criteria listed below.</p> <p>XELJANZ (tofacitinib) oral solution may be approved when the following criteria are met:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member has a diagnosis of polyarticular course juvenile idiopathic arthritis (pJIA) who require a weight-based dose for <40 kg following trial and failure‡ of HADLIMA/HUMIRA OR ENBREL OR Member cannot swallow a tofacitinib tablet <p>All other non-preferred agents may receive approval for FDA-labeled indications following trial and failure‡ of all preferred agents that are FDA-indicated or have strong evidence supporting use for the prescribed indication from clinically recognized guideline compendia (only one preferred adalimumab product trial required).</p> <p>Non-preferred agents that are being prescribed per FDA-label to treat non-radiographic axial spondyloarthritis (nr-axSpA) will require trial and failure‡ of preferred agents that are FDA-labeled for treating an axial spondyloarthritis condition, including ankylosing spondylitis (AS) or nr-axSpA.</p> <p>Members currently taking COSENTYX or XELJANZ oral solution may receive approval to continue on that agent.</p> <p>‡Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, contraindication to therapy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction. Note that trial and failure of preferred TNF inhibitors will not be required when prescribed to treat polyarticular juvenile idiopathic arthritis (pJIA) in members with documented clinical features of lupus.</p> <p><i>The Department would like to remind providers that many products are associated with patient-centered programs that are available to assist with drug administration, education, and emotional support related to our members' various disease states.</i></p>
Psoriatic Arthritis		
Preferred No PA Required	Non-Preferred PA Required	First line preferred agents (HADLIMA, HUMIRA, ENBREL, XELJANZ IR) may receive approval for psoriatic arthritis indication.

<p>(If diagnosis met) (*Must meet eligibility criteria)</p> <p>ENBREL (etanercept)</p> <p>HADLIMA (adalimumab-bwwd) Pushtouch, syringe</p> <p>HUMIRA (adalimumab)</p> <p>*OTEZLA (apremilast) tablet</p> <p>*TALTZ (ixekizumab)</p> <p>XELJANZ IR (tofacitinib) tablet</p>	<p>Adalimumab-adaz pen, syringe</p> <p>AMJEVITA (adalimumab-atto) auto-injector, syringe</p> <p>CIMZIA (certolizumab pegol) syringe</p> <p>COSENTYX (secukinumab) syringe, pen-injector</p> <p>CYLTEZO (adalimumab-adbm) pen, syringe</p> <p>HULIO (adalimumab-fkjp) syringe</p> <p>HYRIMOZ (adalimumab-adaz) pen, syringe</p> <p>IDACIO (adalimumab-aacf) pen, syringe</p> <p>ORENCIA (abatacept) syringe, clickject</p> <p>RINVOQ (upadacitinib) tablet</p> <p>SIMPONI (golimumab) pen, syringe</p> <p>SKYRIZI (risankizumab-rzaa) OnBody, pen, syringe</p> <p>STELARA (ustekinumab) syringe</p> <p>TREMFYA (guselkumab) injector, syringe</p> <p>XELJANZ (tofacitinib) solution</p> <p>XELJANZ XR (tofacitinib ER) tablet</p> <p>YUFLYMA (adalimumab-aaty) auto-injector</p> <p>YUSIMRY (adalimumab-aqvh) pen</p> <p><i>Note: Product formulations in the physician administered drug (PAD) category are located on Appendix P</i></p>	<p>*OTEZLA (apremilast) may receive approval for psoriatic arthritis indication following trial and failure‡ of HADLIMA/HUMIRA or ENBREL AND XELJANZ IR or TALTZ.</p> <p>*TALTZ (ixekizumab) may receive approval for psoriatic arthritis indication following trial and failure‡ of HADLIMA/HUMIRA or ENBREL AND XELJANZ IR or OTEZLA.</p> <p>Quantity Limit: XELJANZ IR is limited to 2 tablets per day or 60 tablets for a 30-day supply</p> <p><u>Non-Preferred Agents:</u></p> <p>COSENTYX (secukinumab) may receive approval for psoriatic arthritis indication for members ≥ 2 years of age and weighing ≥ 15 kg following trial and failure‡ of HADLIMA/HUMIRA (adalimumab) OR ENBREL AND XELJANZ IR AND TALTZ or OTEZLA.</p> <p>STELARA (ustekinumab) syringe for subcutaneous use may receive approval if meeting the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member has trial and failure‡ of HADLIMA/HUMIRA or ENBREL AND XELJANZ IR AND TALTZ or OTEZLA AND • Prior authorization approval may be given for an initial 16-week supply and authorization approval for continuation may be provided based on clinical response. <p>XELJANZ (tofacitinib) XR approval will require verification of the clinically relevant reason for use of the XELJANZ XR formulation versus the XELJANZ IR formulation, in addition to meeting non-preferred criteria listed below.</p> <p>All other non-preferred agents may receive approval for psoriatic arthritis following trial and failure‡ of HADLIMA/HUMIRA OR ENBREL AND XELJANZ IR AND TALTZ or OTEZLA.</p> <p>‡Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, contraindication to therapy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p> <p>Members currently taking COSENTYX may receive approval to continue on that agent.</p> <p><i>The Department would like to remind providers that many products are associated with patient-centered programs that are available to assist with drug administration, education, and emotional support related to our members' various disease states.</i></p>
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Plaque Psoriasis		
<p style="text-align: center;">Preferred No PA Required (If diagnosis met) (*Must meet eligibility criteria)</p> <p>ENBREL (etanercept)</p> <p>HADLIMA (adalimumab-bwwd) Pushtouch, syringe</p> <p>HUMIRA (adalimumab)</p> <p>*OTEZLA (apremilast) tablet</p> <p>*TALTZ (ixekizumab)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Non-Preferred PA Required</p> <p>Adalimumab-adaz pen, syringe</p> <p>AMJEVITA (adalimumab-atto) auto-injector, syringe</p> <p>CIMZIA (certolizumab pegol) syringe</p> <p>COSENTYX (secukinumab) syringe, pen-injector</p> <p>CYLTEZO (adalimumab-adbm) pen, syringe</p> <p>HULIO (adalimumab-fkjp) syringe</p> <p>HYRIMOZ (adalimumab-adaz) pen, syringe</p> <p>IDACIO (adalimumab-aacf) pen, syringe</p> <p>SILIQ (brodalumab) syringe</p> <p>SKYRIZI (risankizumab-rzaa) OnBody, pen, syringe</p> <p>SOTYKTU (ducravacitinib) oral tablet</p> <p>STELARA (ustekinumab) syringe</p> <p>TREMFYA (guselkumab) injector, syringe</p> <p>YUFLYMA (adalimumab-aaty) auto-injector</p> <p>YUSIMRY (adalimumab-aqvh) pen</p> <p><i>Note: Product formulations in the physician administered drug (PAD) category are located on Appendix P</i></p>	<p>First line preferred agents (HADLIMA/HUMIRA, ENBREL) may receive approval for plaque psoriasis indication.</p> <p>*Second line preferred agents (TALTZ, OTEZLA) may receive approval for plaque psoriasis indication following trial and failure‡ of HADLIMA/HUMIRA OR ENBREL.</p> <p><u>Non-Preferred Agents:</u></p> <p>STELARA (ustekinumab) syringe for subcutaneous use may receive approval if meeting the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member has trial and failure‡ of one indicated first line agent (HADLIMA/HUMIRA, ENBREL) AND two indicated second line agents (TALTZ, OTEZLA), AND <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prior authorization approval may be given for an initial 16-week supply and authorization approval for continuation may be provided based on clinical response. <p>All other non-preferred agents may receive approval for plaque psoriasis indication following trial and failure‡ of one indicated first line agent (HADLIMA/HUMIRA, ENBREL) AND two second line agents (TALTZ, OTEZLA).</p> <p>‡Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, contraindication to therapy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p> <p>Members currently taking COSENTYX may receive approval to continue on that agent.</p> <p><i>The Department would like to remind providers that many products are associated with patient-centered programs that are available to assist with drug administration, education, and emotional support related to our members' various disease states.</i></p>

Crohn's Disease and Ulcerative Colitis		
<p style="text-align: center;">Preferred No PA Required (If diagnosis met) (*Must meet eligibility criteria)</p> <p>HADLIMA (adalimumab-bwwd) Push touch, syringe</p> <p>HUMIRA (adalimumab)</p> <p>*XELJANZ IR (tofacitinib) tablet</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Non-Preferred PA Required</p> <p>Adalimumab-adaz pen, syringe</p> <p>AMJEVITA (adalimumab-atto) auto-injector, syringe</p> <p>CIMZIA (certolizumab pegol) syringe</p> <p>COSENTYX (secukinumab) syringe, pen-injector</p> <p>CYLTEZO (adalimumab-adbm) pen, syringe</p> <p>ENTYVIO (vedolizumab) pen</p> <p>HULIO (adalimumab-fkjp) syringe</p> <p>HYRIMOZ (adalimumab-adaz) pen, syringe</p> <p>IDACIO (adalimumab-aacf) pen, syringe</p> <p>OLUMIANT (baricitinib) tablet</p> <p>OMVOH (mirikizumab-mrkz) pen</p> <p>RINVOQ (upadacitinib) tablet</p> <p>SIMPONI (golimumab) pen, syringe</p> <p>SKYRIZI (risankizumab-rzaa) OnBody, pen, syringe</p> <p>STELARA (ustekinumab) syringe</p> <p>XELJANZ (tofacitinib) solution</p> <p>XELJANZ XR (tofacitinib ER) tablet</p>	<p>Preferred agents (HADLIMA, HUMIRA, XELJANZ IR) may receive approval for Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis indications.</p> <p>Quantity Limit: XELJANZ IR is limited to 2 tablets per day or 60 tablets for a 30-day supply</p> <p><u>Non-Preferred Agents:</u></p> <p>SKYRIZI (risankizumab) syringe for subcutaneous use and on-body injector formulations may receive approval if meeting the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The requested medication is being prescribed for use for treating moderately-to-severely active Crohn's disease AND • Member is ≥ 18 years of age AND • Member has trial and failure\ddagger of one preferred adalimumab product AND • Prescriber acknowledges that administration of IV induction therapy prior to approval of SKYRIZI prefilled syringe or on-body injector formulation using the above criteria should be avoided and will not result in an automatic approval of requests for these formulations. <p>Dosing Limit: SKYRIZI on-body formulation maintenance dosing is limited to one 360 mg/2.4 mL single-dose prefilled cartridge or one 180 mg/1.2mL prefilled cartridge every 8 weeks.</p> <p>STELARA (ustekinumab) syringe for subcutaneous use may receive approval if meeting the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For treatment of moderately-to-severely active Crohn's disease, member has trial and failure\ddagger of one preferred adalimumab product OR for treatment of moderately-to-severely active ulcerative colitis, member has trial and failure\ddagger of one preferred adalimumab product and XELJANZ IR AND • The member is ≥ 18 years of age AND • Prescriber acknowledges that loading dose administration prior to approval of STELARA for maintenance therapy using the above criteria should be avoided and will not result in an automatic approval of STELARA for maintenance therapy AND • Prior authorization approval may be given for an initial 16-week supply and authorization approval for continuation may be provided based on clinical response.

	<p>YUFLYMA (adalimumab-aaty) auto-injector</p> <p>YUSIMRY (adalimumab-aqvh) pen</p> <p><i>Note: Product formulations in the physician administered drug (PAD) category are located on Appendix P</i></p>	<p>XELJANZ (tofacitinib) XR approval will require verification of the clinically relevant reason for use of the XELJANZ XR formulation versus the XELJANZ IR formulation, in addition to meeting non-preferred criteria listed below.</p> <p>All other non-preferred agents may receive approval for FDA-labeled indications if meeting the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The requested medication is being prescribed for treating moderately-to-severely active Crohn’s disease or moderately-to-severely active Ulcerative Colitis in alignment with indicated use outlined in FDA-approved product labeling AND • The requested medication meets FDA-labeled indicated age for prescribed use AND • For treatment of moderately-to-severely active Crohn’s disease, member has trial and failure‡ of one preferred adalimumab product OR for treatment of moderately-to-severely active ulcerative colitis, member has trial and failure‡ of one preferred adalimumab product and XELJANZ IR. <p>Members currently taking COSENTYX may receive approval to continue on that agent.</p> <p>‡Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, contraindication to therapy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction. Note that trial and failure of Xeljanz IR will not be required when prescribed for ulcerative colitis for members ≥ 50 years of age that have an additional CV risk factor.</p> <p><i>The Department would like to remind providers that many products are associated with patient-centered programs that are available to assist with drug administration, education, and emotional support related to our members’ various disease states.</i></p>
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Asthma

Preferred PA Required	Non-Preferred PA Required	
<p>(*Must meet eligibility criteria)</p> <p>*DUPIXENT (dupilumab) pen, syringe</p> <p>*FASENRA (benralizumab) pen</p> <p>*TEZSPIRE (tezepelumab-ekko) pen</p> <p>*XOLAIR (omalizumab) syringe, autoinjector</p>	<p>NUCALA (mepolizumab) auto-injector, syringe</p> <p><i>Note: Product formulations in the physician administered drug (PAD) category are located on Appendix P</i></p>	<p>*Preferred products (Dupixent, Fasentra, Tezspire, Xolair) may receive approval if meeting the following:</p> <p>DUPIXENT (dupilumab):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member is 6 years of age or older AND • Member has an FDA-labeled indicated use for treating one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Moderate to severe asthma (on medium to high dose inhaled corticosteroid and a long-acting beta agonist) with eosinophilic phenotype based on a blood eosinophil level of ≥ 150/mcL OR ○ Oral corticosteroid dependent asthma <p>AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member’s asthma has been refractory to recommended evidence-based, guideline-supported pharmacologic therapies AND • Medication is being prescribed as add-on therapy to existing asthma regimen.

Quantity Limit: 2 syringes every 28 days after initial 14 days of therapy (first dose is twice the regular scheduled dose)

TEZSPIRE (tezepelumab-ekko):

- Member is ≥ 12 years of age **AND**
- Member has a diagnosis of severe asthma **AND**
- Member's asthma has been refractory to recommended evidence-based, guideline-supported pharmacologic therapies **AND**
- The requested medication is being prescribed as add-on therapy to existing asthma regimen.

Quantity Limit: Four 210 mg unit dose packs every 28 days

XOLAIR (omalizumab) syringe:

- Member is ≥ 6 years of age **AND**
- Member has an FDA-labeled indicated use for treating asthma **AND**
- Member has a positive skin test or in vitro reactivity to a perennial inhaled allergen or has a pre-treatment IgE serum concentration ≥ 30 IU/mL **AND**
- Member's asthma has been refractory to recommended evidence-based, guideline-supported pharmacologic therapies **AND**
- The requested medication is being prescribed as add-on therapy to existing asthma regimen.

Quantity Limit:

- 300 mg: Four unit dose packs every 28 days
- All other strengths: Two unit dose packs of the same mg strength every 28 days

FASENRA (benralizumab):

- Member is ≥ 12 years of age **AND**
- Member has an FDA-labeled indicated use for treating severe asthma with an eosinophilic phenotype based on a blood eosinophil level of ≥ 150 /mcL **AND**
- Member's asthma has been refractory to recommended evidence-based, guideline-supported pharmacologic therapies **AND**
- The requested medication is being prescribed as add-on therapy to existing asthma regimen.

Quantity Limit: One 30 mg unit dose pack every 28 days for the first 3 doses and then every 8 weeks thereafter

Non-Preferred Agents:

Non-preferred FDA-indicated biologic agents for asthma may receive approval if meeting the following:

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The requested medication is being prescribed for treating asthma in alignment with indicated use outlined in FDA-approved product labeling (including asthma type and severity) AND If prescribed for use for asthma with eosinophilic phenotype, member has a blood eosinophil count \geq 150 cells/mcL AND The requested medication meets FDA-labeled indicated age for prescribed use AND Member's asthma has been refractory to recommended evidence-based, guideline-supported pharmacologic therapies AND The requested medication is being prescribed as add-on therapy to existing asthma regimen AND Member has trialed and failed[‡] two preferred agents. <p><u>Quantity Limits:</u> Non-preferred medications will be subject to quantity limitations in alignment with FDA-approved dosing per product package labeling. Nucala (mepolizumab) is limited to 100mg every 4 weeks (members \geq 12 years of age) or 40mg every 4 weeks (members 6-11 years of age).</p> <p>[‡]Failure is defined as a lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, contraindication to, or significant drug-drug interactions.</p> <p>Members currently taking a preferred agent may receive approval to continue therapy with that agent.</p> <p>Members with current prior authorization approval on file for a non-preferred agent may receive approval for continuation of therapy with the prescribed agent.</p>
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Atopic Dermatitis

<p align="center">Preferred</p> <p>(*Must meet eligibility criteria)</p> <p>*ADBRY (tralokinumab-ldrm) syringe</p> <p>*DUPIXENT (dupilumab) pen, syringe</p>	<p align="center">Non-Preferred PA Required</p> <p>CIBINQO (abrocitinib) tablet</p> <p>RINVOQ (upadacitinib) tablet</p> <p><i>Note: Product formulations in the physician administered drug (PAD) category are located on Appendix P</i></p>	<p>*Preferred products (Adbry and Dupixent) may receive approval if meeting the following:</p> <p>ADBRY (tralokinumab-ldrm):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The requested drug is being prescribed for moderate-to-severe atopic dermatitis AND Member has trialed and failed[‡] the following agents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One medium potency to very-high potency topical corticosteroid (such as mometasone furoate, betamethasone dipropionate) AND One topical calcineurin inhibitor (such as pimecrolimus or tacrolimus) <p><u>Maximum Dose:</u> 600 mg/2 weeks</p> <p><u>Quantity Limit:</u> Four 150 mg/mL prefilled syringes/2 weeks</p> <p><u>Approval:</u> One year</p>
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DUPIXENT (dupilumab):

- Member has a diagnosis of moderate to severe atopic dermatitis **AND**
- Member has trialed and failed‡ the following agents:
 - One medium potency to very-high potency topical corticosteroid [such as mometasone furoate, betamethasone dipropionate, or fluocinonide (see PDL for list of preferred products) **AND**
 - One topical calcineurin inhibitor (such as pimecrolimus or tacrolimus)

Quantity Limit: 2 syringes every 28 days after initial 14 days of therapy (first dose is twice the regular scheduled dose)

Approval: One year

Non-Preferred Agents:

Non-preferred agents indicated for the treatment of atopic dermatitis may receive approval if meeting the following:

- Member has a diagnosis of moderate to severe chronic atopic dermatitis **AND**
 - Member has trialed and failed‡ therapy with two preferred agents for the prescribed indication **AND**
 - Member has trialed and failed‡ the following agents:
 - One medium potency to very-high potency topical corticosteroid (such as mometasone furoate, betamethasone dipropionate, or fluocinonide)
 - One topical calcineurin inhibitor (such as pimecrolimus and tacrolimus)
- AND**
- The medication is being prescribed by or in consultation with a dermatologist, allergist, immunologist, or rheumatologist.

Approval: One year

‡Failure is defined as a lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, contraindication to, or significant drug-drug interactions.

Members currently taking a preferred agent may receive approval to continue therapy with that agent.

Members with current prior authorization approval on file for a non-preferred agent may receive approval for continuation of therapy with the prescribed agent.

Other indications

<p align="center">Preferred (If diagnosis met, No PA required)</p>	<p align="center">Non-Preferred PA Required</p>	<p>*DUPIXENT (dupilumab) may receive approval if meeting the following based on prescribed indication:</p>
<p>(Must meet eligibility criteria*)</p> <p>*DUPIXENT (dupilumab) pen, syringe</p> <p>ENBREL (etanercept)</p> <p>HUMIRA (adalimumab)</p> <p>*KEVZARA (sarilumab)</p> <p>OTEZLA (apremilast) tablet</p> <p>XELJANZ IR (tofacitinib) tablet</p> <p>*XOLAIR (omalizumab) syringe</p>	<p>ACTEMRA (tocilizumab) syringe, Actpen</p> <p>ARCALYST (rilonacept) injection</p> <p>CIMZIA (certolizumab pegol) syringe</p> <p>COSENTYX (secukinumab) syringe, pen-injector</p> <p>CYLTEZO (adalimumab-adbm) pen, syringe</p> <p>ILARIS (canakinumab) vial</p> <p>KINERET (anakinra) syringe</p> <p>NUCALA (mepolizumab) auto-injector, syringe</p> <p>OLUMIANT (baricitinib) tablet</p> <p>YUFLYMA (adalimumab-aaty) auto-injector</p> <p><i>Note: Product formulations in the physician administered drug (PAD) category are located on Appendix P</i></p>	<p>*DUPIXENT (dupilumab) may receive approval if meeting the following based on prescribed indication:</p> <p><u>Chronic Rhinosinusitis with Nasal Polyposis</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member is ≥ 18 years of age AND • Medication is being prescribed as an add-on maintenance treatment in adult patients with inadequately controlled chronic rhinosinusitis with nasal polyposis (CRSwNP) AND • Member has trialed and failed‡ therapy with at least two intranasal corticosteroid regimens <p><u>Eosinophilic Esophagitis (EoE):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member is ≥ 12 years of age AND • Member weighs at least 40 kg AND • Member has a diagnosis of eosinophilic esophagitis (EoE) with ≥ 15 intraepithelial eosinophils per high-power field (eos/hpf), with or without a history of esophageal dilations AND • Member is following appropriate dietary therapy interventions AND • Medication is being prescribed by or in consultation with a gastroenterologist, allergist or immunologist AND • Member has trialed and failed‡ one of the following treatment options for EoE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Proton pump inhibitor trial of at least eight weeks in duration if reflux is a contributing factor OR ○ Minimum four-week trial of local therapy with fluticasone (using a metered dose inhaler) sprayed into the mouth and then swallowed or budesonide slurry. <p><u>Prurigo Nodularis:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member is ≥ 18 years of age AND • Medication is being prescribed as treatment for prurigo nodularis AND • Member has trialed and failed‡ therapy with at least two corticosteroid regimens (topical or intralesional injection). <p>*KEVZARA (sarilumab) may receive approval if meeting the following based on prescribed indication:</p> <p><u>Polymyalgia Rheumatica:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member has had an inadequate response to corticosteroids or who cannot tolerate corticosteroid taper.

***XOLAIR (omalizumab)** may receive approval if meeting the following based on prescribed indication:

Chronic Rhinosinusitis with Nasal Polyps:

- Member is 18 years of age or older **AND**
- Medication is being prescribed as add-on maintenance treatment of chronic rhinosinusitis with nasal polyps (CRSwNP) in adult patients 18 years of age and older with inadequate response to nasal corticosteroids **AND**
- Member has tried and failed‡ therapy with at least two intranasal corticosteroid regimens

Chronic Idiopathic Urticaria (CIU):

- Member is 12 years of age or older **AND**
 - Member is diagnosed with chronic idiopathic urticaria **AND**
 - Member is symptomatic despite H1 antihistamine treatment **AND**
 - Member has tried and failed‡ at least three of the following:
 - High-dose second generation H1 antihistamine
 - H2 antihistamine
 - First-generation antihistamine
 - Leukotriene receptor antagonist
 - Hydroxyzine or doxepin (must include)
- AND**
- Prescriber attests that the need for continued therapy will be periodically reassessed (as the appropriate duration of Xolair therapy for CIU has currently not been evaluated).

IgE-Mediated Food Allergy:

- Medication is being prescribed for reduction of allergic reactions (Type I), including anaphylaxis, that may occur with accidental exposure to one or more foods in adult and pediatric patients aged 1 year and older with IgE-mediated food allergy.

All other preferred agents (HADLIMA, HUMIRA, ENBREL, OTEZLA, KEVZARA) may receive approval for use for FDA-labeled indications.

Non-Preferred Agents:

ARCALYST (rilonacept) may receive approval if meeting the following:

- Medication is being prescribed for one of the following autoinflammatory periodic fever syndromes (approval for all other indications is subject to meeting non-preferred criteria listed below):
 - Cryopyrin-associated Autoinflammatory Syndrome (CAPS), including:
 - Familial Cold Autoinflammatory Syndrome (FCAS)

- Muckle-Wells Syndrome (MWS)
- Maintenance of remission of Deficiency of Interleukin-1 Receptor Antagonist (DIRA) in adults and pediatric patients weighing at least 10 kg
- Treatment of recurrent pericarditis and reduction in risk of recurrence in adults and children \geq 12 years of age

AND

- Member has trialed and failed‡ colchicine **AND**
- Initial approval will be given for 12 weeks and authorization approval for continuation will be provided based on clinical response.

ILARIS (canakinumab) may receive approval if meeting the following:

- Medication is being prescribed for one of the following (approval for all other indications is subject to meeting non-preferred criteria listed below):
 - Familial Mediterranean Fever (FMF)
 - Hyperimmunoglobulinemia D syndrome (HIDS)
 - Mevalonate Kinase Deficiency (MKD)
 - Neonatal onset multisystem inflammatory disease (NOMID)
 - TNF Receptor Associated Periodic Syndrome (TRAPS)
 - Cryopyrin-associated Autoinflammatory Syndrome (including Familial Cold Autoinflammatory Syndrome and Muckle-Wells Syndrome)
 - Symptomatic treatment of adult patients with gout flares in whom NSAIDs and colchicine are contraindicated, are not tolerated, or do not provide an adequate response, and in whom repeated courses of corticosteroids are not appropriate (limited to four 150mg doses per one year approval)

AND

- Member has trialed and failed‡ colchicine.
- Quantity Limits (effective 2/15/2024):
 - Cryopyrin-associated periodic syndrome: 600mg (4mL) every 8 weeks
 - All other indications: 300mg (2mL) every 4 weeks

KINERET (anakinra) may receive approval if meeting the following:

- Medication is being prescribed for one of the following indications (approval for all other indications is subject to meeting non-preferred criteria below):
 - Neonatal onset multisystem inflammatory disease (NOMID).
 - Familial Mediterranean Fever (FMF)

AND

- Member has trialed and failed‡ colchicine.

NUCALA (mepolizumab) may receive approval if meeting the following based on prescribed indication (for any FDA-labeled indications in this subclass category that are not listed, approval is subject to meeting non-preferred criteria listed below):

Chronic Rhinosinusitis with Nasal Polyps:

- Member is 18 years of age or older **AND**
- Medication is being prescribed as an add-on maintenance treatment in adult patients with inadequately controlled chronic rhinosinusitis with nasal polyposis (CRSwNP) **AND**
- Member has a baseline bilateral endoscopic nasal polyps score (NPS; scale 0-8) **AND** nasal congestion/obstruction score (NC; scale 0-3) averaged over 28-day period **AND**
- Member has trialed and failed‡ therapy with three intranasal corticosteroids (see PDL Class) **AND**
- Medication is being prescribed by or in consultation with a rheumatologist, allergist, ear/nose/throat specialist or pulmonologist **AND**
- Initial authorization will be for 24 weeks, for additional 12-month approval member must meet the following criteria:
 - NC and NPS scores are provided and show a 20% reduction in symptoms from baseline **AND**
 - Member continues to use primary therapies such as intranasal corticosteroids.

Eosinophilic Granulomatosis with polyangiitis (EGPA):

- Member is 18 years of age or older **AND**
- Member has been diagnosed with relapsing or refractory EGPA at least 6 months prior to request as demonstrated by ALL the following:
 - Member has a diagnosis of asthma **AND**
 - Member has a blood eosinophil count of greater than or equal to 1000 cells/mcL or a blood eosinophil level of 10%

AND

- Member has the presence of two of the following EGPA characteristics:
 - Histopathological evidence of eosinophilic vasculitis, perivascular eosinophilic infiltration, or eosinophil-rich granulomatous inflammation
 - Neuropathy
 - Pulmonary infiltrates
 - Sinonasal abnormality
 - Cardiomyopathy
 - Glomerulonephritis
 - Alveolar hemorrhage
 - Palpable purpura
 - Antineutrophil cytoplasmic antibody (ANCA) positive

AND

- Member is on a stable dose of corticosteroids for at least 4 weeks prior to request **AND**
- Dose of 300 mg once every 4 week is being prescribed.

Hyper eosinophilic Syndrome (HES):

- Member is 12 years of age or older **AND**
 - Member has a diagnosis for HES for at least 6 months that is nonhematologic secondary HES **AND**
 - Member has a blood eosinophil count of greater than or equal to 1000 cells/mcL **AND**
 - Member has a history of two or more HES flares (defined as worsening clinical symptoms or blood eosinophil counts requiring an increase in therapy) **AND**
 - Member has been on stable dose of HES therapy for at least 4 weeks, at time of request, including at least one of the following:
 - Oral corticosteroids
 - Immunosuppressive therapy
 - Cytotoxic therapy
- AND**
- Dose of 300 mg once every 4 weeks is being prescribed.

All other non-preferred agent indications may receive approval for FDA-labeled use following trial and failure‡ of all preferred agents that are FDA-indicated or have strong evidence supporting use for the prescribed indication from clinically recognized guideline compendia (only one preferred adalimumab product trial required).

‡Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, contraindication to therapy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.

Members currently taking a preferred agent may receive approval to continue therapy with that agent.

Members with current prior authorization approval on file for preferred or non-preferred agents will be subject to meeting reauthorization criteria above when listed for the prescribed indication **OR** if reauthorization criteria are not listed for the prescribed indication, may receive approval for continuation of therapy.

Note: Prior authorization requests for OLUMIANT (baricitinib) prescribed solely for treating alopecia areata will not be approved.

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X. Miscellaneous

Therapeutic Drug Class: **EPINEPHRINE PRODUCTS** -Effective 1/1/2024

No PA Required <i>Brand/generic changes effective 02/22/2024*</i>	PA Required	
<p>*Epinephrine 0.15mg/0.15ml, 0.3mg/0.3ml auto-injector (<i>Mylan only</i>)</p> <p>EPIPEN 0.3 mg/0.3 ml (epinephrine) auto-injector</p> <p>EPIPEN JR0.15 mg/0.15 ml, (epinephrine) auto-injector</p>	<p>AUVI-Q (epinephrine) auto-injector</p> <p>Epinephrine 0.15mg/0.15ml, 0.3mg/0.3ml auto-injector (All other manufacturers; generic Adrenacllick, Epipen)</p> <p>SYMJEPI 0.15mg/0.3ml, 0.3mg/0.3ml (epinephrine) syringe</p>	<p>Non-preferred products may be approved if the member has failed treatment with one of the preferred products. Failure is defined as allergy to ingredients in product or intolerable side effects.</p> <p>Quantity limit: 4 auto injectors per year unless used / damaged / lost</p>

Therapeutic Drug Class: **NEWER HEREDITARY ANGIOEDEMA PRODUCTS** -Effective 1/1/2024

PA Required for all agents in this class		<u>Medications Indicated for Routine Prophylaxis:</u>
Preferred	Non-Preferred	
<p><u>Prophylaxis:</u></p> <p>HAEGARDA (C1 esterase inhibitor) vial</p> <p><u>Treatment:</u></p> <p>BERINERT (C1 esterase inhibitor) kit, vial</p> <p>FIRAZYR (icatibant acetate) syringe</p> <p>Icatibant syringe (generic FIRAZYR)</p>	<p><u>Prophylaxis:</u></p> <p>CINRYZE (C1 esterase inhibitor) kit</p> <p>ORLADEYO (berotralstat) oral capsule</p> <p>TAKHZYRO (lanadelumab-flyo) syringe, vial</p> <p><u>Treatment:</u></p> <p>RUCONEST (C1 esterase inhibitor, recomb) vial</p>	<p>Members are restricted to coverage of one medication for <u>routine prophylaxis</u> at one time. Prior authorization approval will be for one year.</p> <p>HAEGARDA (C1 esterase inhibitor - human) may be approved for members meeting the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Member has a diagnosis of HAE confirmed by laboratory tests obtained on two separate instances at least one month apart (C4 level, C1-INH level) AND ○ Member has a documented history of at least one symptom of a moderate to severe HAE attack (moderate to severe abdominal pain, facial swelling, airway swelling) in the absence of hives or a medication known to cause angioedema AND ○ Member meets at least one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Haegarda is being used for short-term prophylaxis to undergo a surgical procedure or major dental work OR ▪ Haegarda is being used for long-term prophylaxis and member meets one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ History of ≥ 1 attack per month resulting in documented ED admission or hospitalization OR ○ History of laryngeal attacks OR ○ History of ≥ 2 attacks per month involving the face, throat, or abdomen AND

- Member is not taking medications that may exacerbate HAE including ACE inhibitors and estrogen-containing medications **AND**
- Member has received hepatitis A and hepatitis B vaccination **AND**
- Provider attests to performing annual testing or screening (as appropriate) for HBV, HCV, and HIV

Maximum Dose: 60 IU/kg

Minimum Age: 6 years

CINRYZE (C1 esterase inhibitor - human) may be approved for members meeting the following criteria:

- Member has history of trial and failure of Haegarda. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy allergy, intolerable side effects, or a significant drug-drug interaction **AND**
- Member has a diagnosis of HAE confirmed by laboratory tests obtained on two separate instances at least one month apart (C4 level, C1-INH level) **AND**
- Member has a documented history of at least one symptom of a moderate to severe HAE attack (moderate to severe abdominal pain, facial swelling, airway swelling) in the absence of hives or a medication known to cause angioedema **AND**
- Member meets at least one of the following:
 - Cinryze is being used for short-term prophylaxis to undergo a surgical procedure or major dental work **OR**
 - Cinryze is being used for long-term prophylaxis and member meets one of the following:
 - History of ≥ 1 attack per month resulting in documented ED admission or hospitalization **OR**
 - History of laryngeal attacks **OR**
 - History of ≥ 2 attacks per month involving the face, throat, or abdomen **AND**
- Member is not taking medications that may exacerbate HAE including ACE inhibitors and estrogen-containing medications **AND**
- Member has received hepatitis A and hepatitis B vaccination **AND**
- Provider attests to performing annual testing or screening (as appropriate) for HBV, HCV, and HIV.

Minimum age: 6 years

Maximum dose: 100 Units/kg

ORLADEYO (berotralstat) may be approved for members meeting the following criteria:

- Member has history of trial and failure of HAEGARDA. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction **AND**
- Member has a diagnosis of HAE confirmed by laboratory tests obtained on two separate instances at least one month apart (C4 level, C1-INH level) **AND**
- Member has a documented history of at least one symptom of a moderate to

severe HAE attack (moderate to severe abdominal pain, facial swelling, airway swelling) in the absence of hives or a medication known to cause angioedema **AND**

- ORLADEYO is prescribed by or in consultation with an allergist or immunologist **AND**
- Appropriate drug interaction interventions will be made for members using concomitant medications that may require dose adjustments (such as cyclosporine, fentanyl, pimozide, digoxin) **AND**
- Member meets at least one of the following:
 - ORLADEYO is being used for short-term prophylaxis to undergo a surgical procedure or major dental work
 - ORLADEYO is being used for long-term prophylaxis and member meets one of the following:
 - History of ≥ 1 attack per month resulting in documented ED admission or hospitalization **OR**
 - History of laryngeal attacks **OR**
 - History of ≥ 2 attacks per month involving the face, throat, or abdomen **AND**
 - Member is not taking medications that may exacerbate HAE, including ACE inhibitors and estrogen-containing medications

Minimum age: 12 years

Maximum dose: 150 mg once daily

TAKHZYRO (lanadelumab-flyo) may be approved for members meeting the following criteria:

- Member has history of trial and failure of Haegarda. Failure is defined as: lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or a significant drug-drug interaction **AND**
- Member has a diagnosis of HAE confirmed by laboratory tests obtained on two separate instances at least one month apart (C4 level, C1-INH level) **AND**
- Member has a documented history of at least one symptom of a moderate to severe HAE attack (moderate to severe abdominal pain, facial swelling, airway swelling) in the absence of hives or a medication known to cause angioedema **AND**
- Member is not taking medications that may exacerbate HAE including ACE inhibitors and estrogen-containing medications **AND**
- Member has received hepatitis A and hepatitis B vaccination.

Minimum age: 2 years

Maximum dose: The recommended starting dose is 300mg every 2 weeks. A dosing interval of 300 mg every 4 weeks is also effective and may be considered if the patient is well-controlled (attack free) for more than 6 months

Medications Indicated for Treatment of Acute Attacks:

Members are restricted to coverage of one medication for treatment of acute attacks at one time. Prior authorization approval will be for one year.

FIRAZYR (icatibant acetate) may be approved for members meeting the following criteria:

- Member has a diagnosis of HAE confirmed by laboratory tests obtained on two separate instances at least one month apart (C4 level, C1-INH level)
AND
- Member has a documented history of at least one symptom of a moderate to severe HAE attack (moderate to severe abdominal pain, facial swelling, airway swelling) in the absence of hives or a medication known to cause angioedema **AND**
- Member is not taking medications that may exacerbate HAE including ACE inhibitors and estrogen-containing medications

Minimum age: 18 years

Maximum dose: 30mg

BERINERT (C1 esterase inhibitor - human) may be approved for members meeting the following criteria:

- Member has a diagnosis of HAE confirmed by laboratory tests obtained on two separate instances at least one month apart (C4 level, C1-INH level)
AND
- Member has a documented history of at least one symptom of a moderate to severe HAE attack (moderate to severe abdominal pain, facial swelling, airway swelling) in the absence of hives or a medication known to cause angioedema **AND**
- Member is not taking medications that may exacerbate HAE including ACE inhibitors and estrogen-containing medications **AND**
- Member has received hepatitis A and hepatitis B vaccination **AND**
- Provider attests to performing annual testing or screening (as appropriate) for HBV, HCV, and HIV

Minimum age: 6 years

Max dose: 20 IU/kg

RUCONEST (C1 esterase inhibitor - recombinant) may be approved for members meeting the following criteria:

- Member has a history of trial and failure of Firazyr OR Berinert. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or a significant drug-drug interaction **AND**
- Member has a diagnosis of HAE confirmed by laboratory tests obtained on two separate instances at least one month apart (C4 level, C1-INH level)
AND
- Member has a documented history of at least one symptom of a moderate to severe HAE attack (moderate to severe abdominal pain, facial swelling,

		<p>airway swelling) in the absence of hives or a medication known to cause angioedema AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Member is not taking medications that may exacerbate HAE including ACE inhibitors and estrogen-containing medications AND ○ Member has received hepatitis A and hepatitis B vaccination AND ○ Provider attests to performing annual testing or screening (as appropriate) for HBV, HCV, and HIV. <p>Minimum age: 13 years Maximum dose: 4,200 Units/dose</p> <p>All other non-preferred agents may be approved if the member has trialed and failed at least two preferred agents with the same indicated role in therapy as the prescribed medication (prophylaxis or treatment). Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or a significant drug-drug interaction.</p>
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Therapeutic Drug Class: PHOSPHATE BINDERS -Effective 10/1/2023

No PA Required	PA Required	
<p>Calcium acetate capsule</p> <p>PHOSLYRA (calcium acetate) solution</p> <p>RENAGEL (sevelamer HCl) 800mg tablet</p> <p>RENVELA^{BNR} (sevelamer carbonate) tablet, powder pack</p> <p>Sevelamer HCl 800mg tablet</p>	<p>AURYXIA (ferric citrate) tablet</p> <p>Calcium acetate tablet</p> <p>CALPHRON (calcium acetate) tablet</p> <p>FOSRENOL (lanthanum carbonate) chewable tablet, powder pack</p> <p>Lanthanum carbonate chewable tablet</p> <p>Sevelamer carbonate tablet, powder pack</p> <p>Sevelamer HCl 400mg tablet</p> <p>VELPHORO (sucroferric oxide) chewable tablet</p>	<p>Prior authorization for non-preferred products in this class may be approved if member meets all the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Member has diagnosis of end stage renal disease AND ● Member has elevated serum phosphorus [> 4.5 mg/dL or > 1.46 mmol/L] AND ● Provider attests to member avoidance of high phosphate containing foods from diet AND ● Member has trialed and failed‡ one preferred agent (lanthanum products require trial and failure‡ of a preferred sevelamer product). <p>Auryxia (ferric citrate) may be approved if the member meets all the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Member is diagnosed with end-stage renal disease, receiving dialysis, and has elevated serum phosphate (> 4.5 mg/dL or > 1.46 mmol/L). AND ● Provider attests to counseling member regarding avoiding high phosphate containing foods from diet AND ● Member has trialed and failed‡ three preferred agents with different mechanisms of action prescribed for hyperphosphatemia in end stage renal disease <p>OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Member is diagnosed with chronic kidney disease with iron deficiency anemia and is not receiving dialysis AND ● Member has tried and failed‡ at least two different iron supplement product formulations (OTC or RX) <p>Velphoro (sucroferric oxyhydroxide tablet, chewable) may be approved if the member meets all of the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Member is diagnosed with chronic kidney disease and receiving dialysis and has elevated serum phosphate (> 4.5 mg/dL or > 1.46 mmol/L). AND ● Provider attests to counseling member regarding avoiding high phosphate containing foods from diet AND

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member has trialed and failed‡ two preferred agents, one of which must be a preferred sevelamer product Maximum Dose: Velphoro 3000mg daily <p>Members currently stabilized on a non-preferred lanthanum product may receive approval to continue therapy with that product.</p> <p>‡Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 6-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p> <p><i>Note: Medications administered in a dialysis unit or clinic are billed through the Health First Colorado medical benefit or Medicare with members with dual eligibility.</i></p>
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Therapeutic Drug Class: PRENATAL VITAMINS / MINERALS -Effective 10/1/2023

<p style="text-align: center;">Preferred *Must meet eligibility criteria</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Non-Preferred PA Required</p>	
<p>COMPLETE NATAL DHA tablet</p> <p>M-NATAL PLUS tablet</p> <p>NESTABS tablets</p> <p>PNV 29-1 tablet</p> <p>PRENATAL VITAMIN PLUS LOW IRON tablet <i>(Patrin Pharma only)</i></p> <p>PREPLUS CA-FE 27 mg – FA 1 mg tablet</p> <p>SE-NATAL 19 chewable tablet</p> <p>TARON-C DHA capsule</p> <p>THRIVITE RX tablet</p> <p>TRINATAL RX 1 tablet</p> <p>Virt C DHA softgel</p> <p>VITAFOL gummies</p> <p>VP-PNV-DHA softgel</p>	<p>All other rebateable prescription products are non-preferred</p>	<p>*Preferred and non-preferred prenatal vitamin products are a benefit for members from 11-60 years of age who are pregnant, lactating, or trying to become pregnant.</p> <p>Prior authorization for non-preferred agents may be approved if member fails 7-day trial with four preferred agents. Failure is defined as: allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p>

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XI. Ophthalmic

Therapeutic Drug Class: **OPHTHALMIC, ALLERGY** -Effective 4/1/2024

No PA Required	PA Required	
ALREX ^{BNR} (loteprednol) 0.2%	ALAWAY (ketotifen) 0.025% (OTC)	Non-preferred products may be approved following trial and failure of therapy with two preferred products (failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions).
Azelastine 0.05%	ALOCRIIL (nedocromil) 2%	
Cromolyn 4%	ALOMIDE (Iodoxamide) 0.1%	
Ketotifen 0.025% (OTC)	Bepotastine 1.5%	
LASTACAFT (alcaftadine) 0.25% (OTC)	BEPREVE (bepotastine) 1.5%	
Olopatadine 0.1%, 0.2% (OTC) (generic Pataday Once/Twice Daily)	Epinastine 0.05%	
	Loteprednol 0.2%	
	Olopatadine 0.1%, 0.2% (RX)	
	PATADAY ONCE DAILY (olopatadine) 0.2% (OTC)	
	PATADAY TWICE DAILY (olopatadine) 0.1% (OTC)	
	PATADAY XS ONCE DAILY (olopatadine) 0.7% (OTC)	
	ZADITOR (ketotifen) 0.025% (OTC)	
	ZERVIAATE (cetirizine) 0.24%	

Therapeutic Drug Class: **OPHTHALMIC, IMMUNOMODULATORS** -Effective 4/1/2024

No PA Required	PA Required	
RESTASIS ^{BNR} (cyclosporine 0.05%) vials	CEQUA (cyclosporine) 0.09% solution Cyclosporine 0.05% vials	Non-preferred products may be approved for members meeting all of the following criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Member is 18 years and older AND ● Member has a diagnosis of chronic dry eye AND

	MIEBO (Perfluorohexyloctane/PF) RESTASIS MULTIDOSE (cyclosporine) 0.05% TYRVAYA (varenicline) nasal spray VERKAZIA (cyclosporin emulsion) VEVYE (cyclosporine) 0.1% XIIDRA (lifitegrast) 5% solution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member has failed a 3-month trial of one preferred product. Failure is defined as a lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, contraindication to, or significant drug-drug interactions AND Prescriber is an ophthalmologist, optometrist or rheumatologist <p><u>Maximum Dose/Quantity:</u> 60 single use containers for 30 days 5.5 mL/20 days for Restasis Multi-Dose and Vevye</p>
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Therapeutic Drug Class: OPTHALMIC, ANTI-INFLAMMATORIES -Effective 4/1/2024

NSAIDs		Durezol (difluprednate) may be approved if meeting the following criteria:
<p align="center">No PA Required</p> Diclofenac 0.1% Flurbiprofen 0.03% Ketorolac 0.5%, Ketorolac LS 0.4% NEVANAC (nepafenac) 0.1%	<p align="center">PA Required</p> ACULAR (ketorolac) 0.5%, LS 0.4% ACUVAIL (ketorolac/PF) 0.45% Bromfenac 0.07%, 0.075%, 0.09% BROMSITE (bromfenac) 0.075% ILEVRO (nepafenac) 0.03% PROLENSA (bromfenac) 0.07%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member has a diagnosis of severe intermediate uveitis, severe panuveitis, or severe uveitis with the complication of uveitic macular edema AND has trialed and failed prednisolone acetate 1% (failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, contraindication to therapy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction) OR Members with a diagnosis other than those listed above require trial and failure of three preferred agents (failure is defined as lack of efficacy, contraindication to therapy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction).
Corticosteroids		Eysuvis (loteprednol etabonate) may be approved if meeting all of the following:
<p align="center">No PA Required</p> FLAREX (fluorometholone) 0.1% Fluorometholone 0.1% drops FML FORTE (fluorometholone) 0.25% drops	<p align="center">PA Required</p> Dexamethasone 0.1% Difluprednate 0.05% DUREZOL (difluprednate) 0.05% EYSUVIS (loteprednol) 0.25% FML LIQUIFILM (fluorometholone) 0.1% drop	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member is ≥ 18 years of age AND Eysuvis (loteprednol etabonate) is being used for short-term treatment (up to two weeks) of the signs and symptoms of dry eye disease AND Member has failed treatment with one preferred product in the Ophthalmic Immunomodulator therapeutic class. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with a 3-month trial, contraindication to therapy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction) AND Member does not have any of the following conditions: Viral diseases of the cornea and conjunctiva including epithelial herpes simplex keratitis (dendritic keratitis), vaccinia, and varicella OR Mycobacterial infection of the eye and fungal diseases of ocular structures <u>Quantity limit:</u> one bottle/15 days

<p>LOTEMAX^{BNR} (loteprednol) 0.5% drops, gel</p> <p>LOTEMAX (loteprednol) 0.5% ointment</p> <p>MAXIDEX (dexamethasone) 0.1%</p> <p>PRED MILD (prednisolone) 0.12%</p> <p>Prednisolone acetate 1%</p>	<p>FML S.O.P (fluorometholone) 0.1% ointment</p> <p>INVELTYS (loteprednol) 1%</p> <p>LOTEMAX SM (loteprednol) 0.38% gel</p> <p>Loteprednol 0.5% drops, 0.5% gel</p> <p>PRED FORTE (prednisolone) 1%</p> <p>Prednisolone sodium phosphate 1%</p>	<p>Lotemax SM (loteprednol etabonate) or Inveltys (loteprednol etabonate) may be approved if meeting all of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member is ≥ 18 years of age AND • Lotemax SM or Inveltys (loteprednol etabonate) is being used for the treatment of post-operative inflammation and pain following ocular surgery AND • Member has trialed and failed therapy with two preferred loteprednol formulations (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 2-week trial, allergy, contraindication to therapy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction) AND • Member has trialed and failed therapy with two preferred agents that do not contain loteprednol (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 2-week trial, contraindication to therapy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction) AND • Member does not have any of the following conditions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Viral diseases of the cornea and conjunctiva including epithelial herpes simplex keratitis (dendritic keratitis), vaccinia, and varicella OR ○ Mycobacterial infection of the eye and fungal diseases of ocular structures <p>Verkazia (cyclosporine ophthalmic emulsion) may be approved if the following criteria are met:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member is ≥ 4 years of age AND • Verkazia is being used for the treatment of vernal keratoconjunctivitis (VKC) AND • Member has trialed and failed therapy with three agents from the following pharmacologic categories: preferred dual-acting mast cell stabilizer/antihistamine from the Ophthalmics-Allergy PDL class, oral antihistamine, preferred topical ophthalmic corticosteroid from the Ophthalmics-Anti-inflammatories PDL class. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 2-week trial, allergy, contraindication to therapy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction • <u>Quantity limit</u>: 120 single-dose 0.3 mL vials/15 days <p>All other non-preferred products may be approved with trial and failure of three preferred agents (failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 2-week trial, allergy, contraindication, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction).</p>
<p>Therapeutic Drug Class: OPHTHALMIC, GLAUCOMA -Effective 4/1/2024</p>		
<p>Beta-blockers</p>		<p>Non-preferred products may be approved following trial and failure of therapy with three preferred products, including one trial with a preferred product having the same general mechanism (such as prostaglandin analogue, alpha2-adrenergic agonist, beta-blocking agent, or carbonic anhydrase inhibitor). Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 4-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions.</p>
<p>No PA Required</p>	<p>PA Required</p>	
<p>Levobunolol 0.5%</p>	<p>Betaxolol 0.5%</p> <p>BETIMOL (timolol) 0.25%, 0.5%</p>	

<p>Timolol (generic Timoptic) 0.25%, 0.5%</p>	<p>BETOPIC-S (betaxolol) 0.25%</p> <p>Carteolol 1%</p> <p>ISTALOL (timolol) 0.5%</p> <p>Timolol (generic Istalol) 0.5% drops</p> <p>Timolol GFS 0.25%, 0.5%</p> <p>Timolol/PF (generic Timoptic Ocudose) 0.25%, 0.5%</p> <p>TIMOPTIC, TIMOPTIC OCUDOSE (timolol) 0.25%, 0.5%</p> <p>TIMOPTIC-XE (timolol GFS) 0.25%, 0.5%</p>	<p>Non-preferred combination products may be approved following trial and failure of therapy with one preferred combination product AND trial and failure of individual products with the same active ingredients as the combination product being requested (if available) to establish tolerance. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 4-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions.</p> <p>Preservative free products may be approved with provider documentation of adverse effect to preservative-containing product.</p>
Carbonic anhydrase inhibitors		
No PA Required	PA Required	
<p>AZOPT^{BNR} (brinzolamide) 1%</p> <p>Dorzolamide 2%</p>	<p>Brinzolamide 1%</p>	
Prostaglandin analogue		
No PA Required	PA Required	
<p>Latanoprost 0.005%</p> <p>LUMIGAN^{BNR} (bimatoprost) 0.01%</p> <p>TRAVATAN Z^{BNR} (travoprost) 0.004%</p>	<p>Bimatoprost 0.03%</p> <p>IYUZEH (latanoprost/PF) 0.005%</p> <p>Tafluprost 0.0015%</p> <p>Tafluprost PF 0.0015%</p> <p>Travoprost 0.004%</p> <p>VYZULTA (latanoprostene) 0.024%</p> <p>XALATAN (latanoprost) 0.005%</p> <p>XELPROS (latanoprost) 0.005%</p>	

	ZIOPTAN (tafluprost PF) 0.0015%	
Alpha-2 adrenergic agonists		
No PA Required	PA Required	
ALPHAGAN P ^{BNR} 0.1%, 0.15% (brimonidine) Brimonidine 0.2%	Apraclonidine 0.5% Brimonidine 0.1%, 0.15% IOPIDINE (apraclonidine) 0.5%, 1%	
Other ophthalmic, glaucoma and combinations		
No PA Required	PA Required	
COMBIGAN ^{BNR} 0.2%-0.5% (brimonidine/timolol) Dorzolamide/Timolol 2%-0.5% RHOPRESSA (netarsudil) 0.02% ROCKLATAN (netarsudil/latanoprost) 0.02%-0.005%	Brimonidine/Timolol 0.2%-0.5% COSOPT/COSOPT PF (dorzolamide/timolol) 2%- 0.5% Dorzolamide/Timolol PF 2%-0.5% PHOSPHOLINE IODIDE (echothiophate) 0.125% Pilocarpine 1%, 2%, 4% SIMBRINZA (brinzolamide/brimonidine) 1%- 0.2% VUIITY (pilocarpine) 1.25%	

XII. Renal/Genitourinary

Therapeutic Drug Class: **BENIGN PROSTATIC HYPERPLASIA (BPH) AGENTS** -Effective 10/1/2023

No PA Required	PA Required	<p>Prior authorization for non-preferred products in this class may be approved if member meets all of the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member has tried and failed‡ three preferred agents AND • For combinations agents, member has tried and failed‡ each of the individual agents within the combination agent and one other preferred agent.
Alfuzosin ER tablet	AVODART (dutasteride) softgel	
Doxazosin tablet	CARDURA (doxazosin) tablet	
Dutasteride capsule	CARDURA XL (doxazosin ER) tablet	
Finasteride tablet	*CIALIS (tadalafil) 2.5 mg, 5 mg tablet	

Tamsulosin capsule	Dutasteride/tamsulosin capsule	<p>‡Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 8-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, contraindication to, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p> <p>*CIALIS (tadalafil) may be approved for members with a documented diagnosis of BPH who have failed a trial of finasteride (at least 3 months in duration) AND either a trial of a nonselective alpha blocker (therapeutic dose for at least two months) OR a trial of tamsulosin (therapeutic dose for at least one month).</p> <p>Documentation of BPH diagnosis will require BOTH of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AUA Prostate Symptom Score \geq 8 AND • Results of a digital rectal exam. <p>Cialis (tadalafil) will not be approved for any patient continuing alpha-blocker therapy as this combination is contraindicated in this population.</p> <p>Doses exceeding 5mg per day of Cialis (tadalafil) will not be approved.</p>
Terazosin capsule	ENTADFI (finasteride/tadalafil) capsule	
	FLOMAX (tamsulosin) capsule	
	JALYN (dutasteride/tamsulosin) capsule	
	PROSCAR (finasteride) tablet	
	RAPAFLO (silodosin) capsule	
	Silodosin capsule	
	*Tadalafil 2.5 mg, 5 mg tablet	

Therapeutic Drug Class: ANTI-HYPERURICEMICS -Effective 10/1/2023

No PA Required	PA Required	
Allopurinol 100 mg, 300 mg tablets	Allopurinol 200 mg tablets	<p>Non-preferred xanthine oxidase inhibitor products (allopurinol or febuxostat formulations) may be approved following trial and failure of preferred allopurinol. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction. If member has tested positive for the HLA-B*58:01 allele, it is not recommended that they trial allopurinol. A positive result on this genetic test will count as a failure of allopurinol.</p> <p>Prior authorization for all other non-preferred agents (non-xanthine oxidase inhibitors) may be approved after trial and failure of two preferred products. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p> <p>GLOPERBA (colchicine) oral solution may be approved for members who require individual doses <0.6 mg OR for members who have documented swallowing difficulty due to young age and/or a medical condition (preventing use of solid oral dosage form).</p> <p>Colchicine tablet quantity limits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chronic hyperuricemia/gout prophylaxis: 60 tablets per 30 days • Familial Mediterranean Fever: 120 tablets per 30 days
Colchicine tablet	Colchicine capsule	
Febuxostat tablet	COLCRYS (colchicine) tablet	
Probenecid tablet	GLOPERBA (colchicine) oral solution	
Probenecid/Colchicine tablet	MITIGARE (colchicine) capsule	
	ULORIC (febuxostat) tablet	
	ZYLOPRIM (allopurinol) tablet	

Therapeutic Drug Class: OVERACTIVE BLADDER AGENTS -Effective 10/1/2023

No PA Required	PA Required	
GELNIQUE (oxybutynin) gel	Darifenacin ER tablet	<p>Non-preferred products may be approved for members who have failed treatment with two preferred products. Failure is defined as: lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p> <p>Members with hepatic failure can receive approval for trospium (Sanctura) or trospium extended release (Sanctura XR) products without a trial on a Preferred product.</p>
MYRBETRIQ (mirabegron) tablet	DETROL (tolterodine) tablet	
	DETROL LA (tolterodine ER) ER capsule	

<p>Oxybutynin IR, ER tablets, syrup</p> <p>Solifenacin tablet</p> <p>TOVIAZ^{BNR} (Fesoterodine ER) tablet</p>	<p>DITROPAN (Oxybutynin) tablet</p> <p>DITROPAN XL (Oxybutynin ER) tablet</p> <p>Fesoterodine ER tablet</p> <p>Flavoxate tablet</p> <p>GELNIQUE (oxybutynin) gel pump</p> <p>GEMTESA (vibegron) tablet</p> <p>MYRBETRIQ (mirabegron) suspension</p> <p>OXYTROL (oxybutynin patch)</p> <p>SANCTURA (trospium)</p> <p>SANCTURA XL (trospium ER)</p> <p>Tolterodine tablet, ER capsule</p> <p>Trospium ER capsule, tablet</p> <p>VESICARE (solifenacin) tablet</p> <p>VESICARE LS (solifenacin) suspension</p>	
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XIII. RESPIRATORY

Therapeutic Drug Class: **RESPIRATORY AGENTS** -Effective 1/1/2024

Inhaled Anticholinergics

<p style="text-align: center;">Preferred No PA Required (Unless indicated*)</p> <p><u>Solutions</u> Ipratropium solution</p> <p><u>Short-Acting Inhalation Devices</u> ATROVENT HFA (ipratropium)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Non-Preferred PA Required</p> <p><u>Solutions</u> LONHALA MAGNAIR (glycopyrrolate) solution</p> <p>YUPELRI (revefenacin) solution</p> <p><u>Short-Acting Inhalation Devices</u></p> <p><u>Long-Acting Inhalation Devices</u></p>	<p>*SPIRIVA RESPIMAT (tiotropium) 1.25 mcg may be approved for members ≥ 6 years of age with a diagnosis of asthma (qualifying diagnosis verified by AutoPA). SPIRIVA RESPIMAT is intended to be used by members whose asthma is not controlled with regular use of a combination medium-dose inhaled corticosteroid and long-acting beta agonist (LABA).</p> <p>*SPIRIVA RESPIMAT (tiotropium) 2.5 mcg may be approved for members with a diagnosis of COPD who have trialed and failed SPIRIVA HANDIHALER. Failure is defined as intolerable side effects or inability to use dry powder inhaler (DPI) formulation.</p>
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<p><u>Long-Acting Inhalation Devices</u></p> <p>SPIRIVA Handihaler^{BNR} (tiotropium)</p> <p>*SPIRIVA RESPIMAT (tiotropium)</p>	<p>INCRUSE ELLIPTA (umeclidinium)</p> <p>Tiotropium DPI</p> <p>TUDORZA PRESSAIR (aclidinium)</p>	<p>LONHALA MAGNAIR (glycopyrrolate) may be approved for members ≥ 18 years of age with a diagnosis of COPD including chronic bronchitis and emphysema who have trialed and failed‡ treatment with two preferred anticholinergic agents.</p> <p>Non-preferred single agent anticholinergic agents may be approved for members with a diagnosis of COPD including chronic bronchitis and/or emphysema who have trialed and failed‡ treatment with two preferred agents, one of which must be SPIRIVA HANDIHALER.</p> <p>‡Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 6-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p>
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Inhaled Anticholinergic Combinations

<p style="text-align: center;">No PA Required</p> <p><u>Solutions</u> Ipratropium/Albuterol solution</p> <p><u>Short-Acting Inhalation Devices</u> COMBIVENT RESPIMAT (albuterol/ipratropium)</p> <p><u>Long-Acting Inhalation Devices</u> ANORO ELLIPTA (umeclidinium/vilanterol)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">PA Required</p> <p><u>Solutions</u></p> <p><u>Short-Acting Inhalation Devices</u></p> <p><u>Long-Acting Inhalation Devices</u> BEVESPI AEROSPHERE (glycopyrrolate /formoterol fumarate)</p> <p>BREZTRI AEROSPHERE (budesonide/glycopyrrolate/ formoterol)</p> <p>DUAKLIR PRESSAIR (aclidinium/formoterol)</p> <p>STIOLTO RESPIMAT (tiotropium/olodaterol)</p>	<p>BREZTRI AEROSPHERE (budesonide/glycopyrrolate/formoterol) may be approved for members ≥ 18 years of age with a diagnosis of COPD who have trialed and failed‡ treatment with two preferred anticholinergic-containing agents.</p> <p>DUAKLIR PRESSAIR (aclidinium/formoterol) may be approved for members ≥ 18 years of age with a diagnosis of COPD who have trialed and failed‡ treatment with two preferred anticholinergic-containing agents.</p> <p>All other non-preferred inhaled anticholinergic combination agents may be approved for members with a diagnosis of COPD including chronic bronchitis and/or emphysema who have trialed and failed‡ treatment with two preferred inhaled anticholinergic combination agents OR three preferred inhaled anticholinergic-containing agents (single ingredient or combination).</p> <p>Members who are currently stabilized on Bevespi Aerosphere may receive approval to continue therapy with that product.</p> <p>‡Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with 6-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p>
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Inhaled Beta2 Agonists (short acting)

<p style="text-align: center;">No PA Required</p> <p><u>Solutions</u> Albuterol solution, for nebulizer</p> <p><u>Inhalers</u> PROAIR^{BNR} HFA (albuterol)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">PA Required</p> <p><u>Solutions</u> Levalbuterol solution</p> <p><u>Inhalers</u> AIRSUPRA (budesonide/albuterol)</p>	<p>Non-preferred short acting beta-2 agonists may be approved for members who have failed treatment with one preferred agent. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p> <p>MDI formulation quantity limits: 2 inhalers / 30 days</p> <p>AIRSUPRA (budesonide/albuterol)</p>
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<p>PROVENTIL^{BNR} HFA (albuterol)</p> <p>VENTOLIN^{BNR} HFA (albuterol)</p>	<p>Albuterol HFA</p> <p>Levalbuterol HFA</p> <p>PROAIR DIGIHALER, RESPICLICK (albuterol)</p> <p>XOPENEX (levalbuterol) Inhaler</p>	<p><u>Airsupra minimum age:</u> 18 years old</p>
Inhaled Beta2 Agonists (long acting)		
<p style="text-align: center;">Preferred</p> <p><u>Solutions</u></p> <p><u>Inhalers</u> SEREVENT DISKUS (salmeterol) inhaler</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Non-Preferred PA Required</p> <p><u>Solutions</u> Arformoterol solution</p> <p>BROVANA (arformoterol) solution</p> <p>Formoterol solution</p> <p>PERFOROMIST (formoterol) solution</p> <p><u>Inhalers</u> STRIVERDI RESPIMAT (olodaterol)</p>	<p>Non-preferred agents may be approved for members with moderate to severe COPD, AND members must have failed a trial of Serevent. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with a 6-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interaction.</p> <p>For treatment of members with diagnosis of asthma needing add-on therapy, please refer to preferred agents in combination Long-Acting Beta Agonist/Inhaled Corticosteroid therapeutic class.</p>
Inhaled Corticosteroids		
<p style="text-align: center;">No PA Required</p> <p><u>Solutions</u> Budesonide nebulers</p> <p><u>Inhalers</u> ARNUTTY ELLIPTA (fluticasone furoate)</p> <p>ASMANEX HFA (mometasone furoate) inhaler</p> <p>ASMANEX Twisthaler (mometasone)</p> <p>FLOVENT DISKUS (fluticasone)</p> <p>FLOVENT HFA (fluticasone)</p> <p>PULMICORT FLEXHALER (budesonide)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">PA Required</p> <p><u>Solutions</u> PULMICORT (budesonide) respules</p> <p><u>Inhalers</u> ALVESCO (ciclesonide) inhaler</p> <p>ARMONAIR DIGIHALER (fluticasone propionate)</p> <p>Fluticasone propionate diskus</p> <p>*Fluticasone propionate HFA</p> <p>QVAR REDIHALER (beclomethasone)</p>	<p>Non-preferred inhaled corticosteroids may be approved in members with asthma who have failed an adequate trial of two preferred agents. An adequate trial is defined as at least 6 weeks. (Failure is defined as: lack of efficacy with a 6-week trial, allergy, contraindication to, intolerable side effects, or significant drug-drug interactions, or dexterity/coordination limitations (per provider notes) that significantly impact appropriate use of a specific dosage form.)</p> <p>*FLUTICASONE PROPIONATE HFA is available to members 12 years and under without prior authorization</p> <p><u>Maximum Dose:</u> Pulmicort (budesonide) nebulizer suspension: 2mg/day</p> <p><u>Quantity Limits:</u> Pulmicort flexhaler: 2 inhalers / 30 days</p>
Inhaled Corticosteroid Combinations		

<p>No PA Required (*Must meet eligibility criteria)</p> <p>ADVAIR DISKUS^{BNR} (fluticasone/salmeterol)</p> <p>ADVAIR HFA^{BNR} (fluticasone/salmeterol)</p> <p>AIRDUO RESPICLICK^{BNR} (fluticasone/salmeterol)</p> <p>DULERA (mometasone/formoterol)</p> <p>SYMBICORT^{BNR} (budesonide/formoterol) inhaler</p> <p>*TRELEGY ELLIPTA (fluticasone furoate/ umeclidinium/vilanterol)</p>	<p>PA Required</p> <p>AIRDUO DIGIHALER (fluticasone/salmeterol)</p> <p>BREO ELLIPTA (vilanterol/fluticasone furoate)</p> <p>Budesonide/formoterol (generic Symbicort)</p> <p>Fluticasone/salmeterol (generic Airduo/Advair Diskus)</p> <p>Fluticasone/salmeterol HFA (generic Advair HFA)</p> <p>Fluticasone/vilanterol (generic Breo Ellipta)</p> <p>WIXELA INHUB (fluticasone/salmeterol)</p>	<p>*TRELEGY ELLIPTA (fluticasone furoate/umeclidinium/vilanterol) may be approved if the member has trialed/failed one preferred agent. Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with a 6-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, significant drug-drug interactions, or dexterity/coordination limitations (per provider notes) that significantly impact appropriate use of a specific dosage form.</p> <p>Non-preferred inhaled corticosteroid combinations may be approved for members meeting both of the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member has a qualifying diagnosis of asthma or severe COPD; AND • Member has failed two preferred agents (Failure is defined as lack of efficacy with a 6-week trial, allergy, intolerable side effects, significant drug-drug interactions, or dexterity/coordination limitations (per provider notes) that significantly impact appropriate use of a specific dosage form.
Phosphodiesterase Inhibitors (PDEIs)		
<p>No PA Required</p> <p>Roflumilast tablet</p>	<p>PA Required</p> <p>DALIRESP (roflumilast) tablet</p>	<p>Requests for use of the non-preferred brand product formulation may be approved if meeting criteria outlined in the Appendix P “Generic Mandate” section.</p>