

New York State Medicaid Fee-For-Service Pharmacy Programs

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Preferred Drug Program (PDP) (Pages 3–61)

The PDP promotes the use of less expensive, equally effective drugs when medically appropriate through a Preferred Drug List (PDL). All drugs currently covered by Fee-For-Service (FFS) Medicaid remain available under the PDP and the determination of preferred and non-preferred drugs does not prohibit a prescriber from obtaining any of the medications covered under Medicaid.

- Non-preferred drugs in these classes require prior authorization (PA), unless indicated otherwise.
- Preferred drugs that require prior authorization are indicated by footnote.
- Specific Clinical, Frequency/Quantity/Duration, Step Therapy criteria is listed in column at the right.

Clinical Drug Review Program (CDRP) (Page 62)

The CDRP is aimed at ensuring specific drugs are utilized in a medically appropriate manner. Under the CDRP, certain drugs require prior authorization because there may be specific safety issues, public health concerns, the potential for fraud and abuse, or the potential for significant overuse and misuse.

Drug Utilization Review (DUR) Program (Pages 63–75)

The DUR helps to ensure that prescriptions for outpatient drugs are appropriate, medically necessary, and not likely to result in adverse medical consequences. This program uses professional medical protocols and computer technology and claims processing to assist in the management of data regarding the prescribing and dispensing of prescriptions. Frequency/Quantity/Duration (F/Q/D) Program and Step Therapy parameters are implemented to ensure clinically appropriate and cost effective use of these drugs and drug classes.

Brand Less Than Generic (BLTG) Program (Page 76–77)

The Brand Less Than Generic Program is a cost containment initiative which promotes the use of certain multi-source brand name drugs when the cost of the brand name drug is less expensive than the generic equivalent. This program is in conformance with State Education Law, which intends that patients receive the lower cost alternative.

Mandatory Generic Drug Program (Page 78)

State law excludes Medicaid coverage of brand name drugs that have a Federal Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved A-rated generic equivalent, unless a prior authorization is obtained. Drugs subject to the Preferred Drug Program (PDP), Clinical Drug Review Program (CDRP), and/or the Brand Less Than Generic (BLTG) Program are not subject to the Mandatory Generic Program.

Dose Optimization Program (Pages 79–84)

Dose optimization can reduce prescription costs by reducing the number of pills a patient needs to take each day. The Department has identified drugs to be included in this program, the majority of which have FDA approval for once-a-day dosing, have multiple strengths available in correlating increments at similar costs and are currently being utilized above the recommended dosing frequency.

For more information on the NYS Medicaid Pharmacy Programs: http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/program/pharmacy.htm

To contact the NYS Medicaid Pharmacy Clinical Call Center please call 1-877-309-9493

To download a copy of the Prior Authorization fax form go to https://newyork.fhsc.com/providers/PA_forms.asp

Disclaimer: Branded generics are included with the single generic name listing, they are not listed as separate agents.

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I. Analgesics		
Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatory Drugs (NSAIDS)		
diclofenac 1% topical gel diclofenac sodium ibuprofen Rx (tablet) ibuprofen OTC (susp) indomethacin ketorolac meloxicam (tablet) naproxen (tablet) piroxicam sulindac	Arthrotec® Cambia® Celebrex® CC celecoxib CC Daypro® diclofenac epolamine (generic for Flector) diclofenac/misoprostol diclofenac potassium diclofenac sodium ER diclofenac topical soln diflunisal Duexis® etodolac etodolac ER Feldene® fenoprofen Flector® patch Flurbiprofen ibuprofen Rx (susp) ibuprofen/famotidine (gen Duexis®) Indocin® indomethacin ER ketoprofen ketoprofen ER ketorolac nasal spray (gen Sprix®) Licart™ meclofenamate mefenamic acid meloxicam (capsules) (gen Vivlodex®) Mobic® nabumetone	CLINICAL CRITERIA (CC) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Celebrex® (celecoxib) – one of the following criteria will not require PA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Over the age of 65 years – Concurrent use of an anticoagulant agent – History of GI Bleed/Ulcer or Peptic Ulcer Disease

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I. Analgesics		
	Nalfon® Naprelan® naproxen (susp) naproxen CR naproxen EC naproxen-esomeprazole naproxen sodium oxaprozin Pennsaid® Relafen® DS Sprix® Tivorbex® tolmetin Vimovo® Vivlodex® Voltaren® Gel Zipsor® Zorvolex®	
Opioids – Long-Acting CC, F/Q/D		
buprenorphine patches fentanyl patch (12 mcg, 25 mcg, 50 mcg, 75 mcg, 100 mcg) morphine sulfate ER (tablet)	Arymo® ER Belbuca® Butrans® ConZip® ST Duragesic® fentanyl patch (37.5 mcg, 62.5 mcg, 87.5 mcg) hydrocodone ER hydrocodone ER (gen Hysingla ER) hydromorphone ER Hysingla® ER Kadian® MorphaBond® ER	CLINICAL CRITERIA (CC) * <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limited to a total of 4 opioid prescriptions every 30 days; Exemption for diagnosis of cancer or sickle cell disease • PA required for initiation of opioid therapy for patients on established opioid dependence therapy • PA required for use if \geq 90 MME (MME = morphine milligram equivalents) of opioid per day for management of non-acute pain (pain lasting > 7 days) • PA required for initiation of long-acting opioid therapy in opioid-naïve patients. • PA required for any additional long-acting opioid prescription for patients currently on long-acting opioid therapy.

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	morphine ER (capsule) (generic for Avinza) morphine ER (capsule) (generic for Kadian) MS Contin® Nucynta® ER ST oxycodone ER Oxycontin® oxymorphone ER tramadol ER ST Xtampza® ER Zohydro® ER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PA required for initiation of opioid therapy in patients currently on benzodiazepine therapy PA required for any codeine- or tramadol-containing products in pts < 12 yrs <p>STEP THERAPY (ST)</p> <p>Nucynta® ER (tapentadol ER): Trial with tapentadol IR before tapentadol ER for patients who are naïve to a long-acting opioid</p> <p>Tramadol ER (tramadol naïve patients): Attempt treatment with IR formulations before the following ER formulations: ConZip®, tramadol ER</p> <p>FREQUENCY/QUANTITY/DURATION (F/Q/D) *</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Belbuca® (buprenorphine) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maximum 2 units per day Butrans® (buprenorphine) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maximum 4 patches per 28 days Nucynta® ER (tapentadol ER): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maximum 2 units per day Nucynta® ER (tapentadol ER): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maximum daily dose of tapentadol IR and tapentadol ER formulations if used in combination should not exceed 500mg/day Tramadol ER (ConZip®): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maximum 30 tablets dispensed as a 30-day supply Zohydro® ER (hydrocodone ER): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maximum 2 units per day, 60 units per 30 days Hysingla® ER (hydrocodone ER): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maximum 1 unit per day; 30 units per 30 days Hydromorphone ER, oxymorphone ER: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maximum 4 units per day, 120 units per 30 days Oxycodone ER (Xtampza® ER): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maximum 2 units per day, 60 units per 30 days. Not to exceed a total daily dose of 160 mg or its equivalent

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I. Analgesics		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fentanyl transdermal patch (Duragesic®): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Maximum 10 patches per 30 days; maximum 100 mcg/hr (over a 72-hour dosing interval) • Morphine ER (excluding MS Contin products): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Maximum 2 units per day, 60 units per 30 days • Morphine ER (MS Contin® and Arymo® ER 15 mg, 30 mg, 60 mg only): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Maximum 3 units per day, 90 units per 30 days • Morphine ER (MS Contin® 100 mg only): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Maximum 4 units per day, up to 3 times a day, maximum 120 units per 30 days • Morphine ER (MS Contin® 200 mg only): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Maximum 2 units per day, maximum 60 units per 30 days • For Non-opioid Pain management alternatives please visit: https://health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/program/opioid_management/docs/non_opioid_alternatives_to_pain_management.pdf <p><i>The quantity limits listed are systematically converted into Morphine Milligram Equivalents (MME) for the purpose of prospective drug utilization review/clinical editing.</i></p> <p>*Exemption from requirements for diagnosis of cancer, sickle cell disease, or hospice care.</p>
Opioids – Short-Acting CC		
butalbital / APAP / caffeine / codeine F/Q/D codeine F/Q/D codeine / APAP F/Q/D hydrocodone / APAP F/Q/D hydrocodone / ibuprofen F/Q/D Lortab® (elixir) F/Q/D morphine IR F/Q/D oxycodone / APAP F/Q/D tramadol F/Q/D	Apadaz® F/Q/D benzhydrocodone / APAP F/Q/D butalbital compound/ codeine F/Q/D butorphanol nasal spray dihydrocodeine / APAP / caffeine F/Q/D Dilaudid® F/Q/D Fiorinal® / codeine F/Q/D hydromorphone F/Q/D levorphanol meperidine Nalocet®	CLINICAL CRITERIA (CC) * <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limited to a total of 4 opioid prescriptions every 30 days. • Initial prescription for opioid-naïve patients limited to a 7-day supply. • PA required for initiation of opioid therapy for patients on established opioid dependence therapy. • PA required for use if ≥ 90 MME of opioid per day for management of non-acute pain (> 7 days) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Exception for diagnosis of cancer or sickle cell disease, or hospice program

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I. Analgesics		
	Nucynta® ST, F/Q/D Oxaydo® oxycodone F/Q/D oxycodone / aspirin F/Q/D oxycodone / ibuprofen F/Q/D oxymorphone F/Q/D pentazocine / naloxone Percocet® F/Q/D Primlev® F/Q/D Prolate® Qdolo® F/Q/D Roxicodone® F/Q/D tramadol / APAP F/Q/D Ultracet® F/Q/D Utram®	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PA is required for opioid-naïve patients for prescription requests ≥ 50 MME per day. PA required for continuation of opioid therapy beyond an initial 7-day supply in patients established on gabapentin or pregabalin PA required for initiation of opioid therapy in patients currently on benzodiazepine therapy PA required for any codeine- or tramadol-containing products in pts < 12 yrs <p>STEP THERAPY (ST)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nucynta® (tapentadol IR) – Trial with tramadol and 1 preferred opioid before tapentadol immediate-release (IR) <p>FREQUENCY/QUANTITY/DURATION (F/Q/D)</p> <p>Quantity Limits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Apadaz® (benzhydrocodone/APAP): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maximum 12 units per day Nucynta® (tapentadol IR): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maximum 6 units per day; 180 units per 30 days Nucynta® (tapentadol IR): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maximum daily dose of tapentadol IR and tapentadol ER formulations used in combination not to exceed 500 mg/day tramadol – Maximum 400 mg per day Morphine and congeners immediate-release (IR) non-combination products (codeine, hydromorphone, morphine, oxycodone, oxymorphone): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maximum 6 units per day, 180 units per 30 days <p>Additional/alternate parameters: To be applied to patients without a documented cancer or sickle cell diagnosis.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morphine and congeners immediate-release (IR) combination products maximum recommended: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> acetaminophen (4 grams) aspirin (4 grams)

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I. Analgesics		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ibuprofen (3.2 grams) - or the FDA-approved maximum opioid dosage as listed in the PI, whichever is less <p>Duration Limits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 90 days for patients without a diagnosis of cancer or sickle-cell disease. • For Non-opioid Pain management alternatives please visit: https://health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/program/opioid_management/docs/non_opioid_alternatives_to_pain_management.pdf <p>The quantity limits listed are systematically converted into morphine milligram equivalents (MME) for the purpose of prospective drug utilization review/clinical editing.</p> <p>*Exemptions from requirements for diagnosis of cancer, sickle cell disease, or hospice care</p>

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II. Anti-Infectives		
Antibiotics – Inhaled CC, F/Q/D		
Bethkis® <small>BLTG</small> Cayston® Kitabis® Pak <small>BLTG</small> TOBI Podhaler™	TOBI® (solution) tobramycin (generic for Bethkis®, Kitabis®, Tobi®) solution	<p>CLINICAL CRITERIA (CC) Confirm diagnosis of FDA-approved or compendia-supported indication</p> <p>FREQUENCY/QUANTITY/DURATION (F/Q/D)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aztreonam (Cayston) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – 3 ampules (3 mL) per day – 84 ampules (84 mL) per 56 day regimen (28 days on, 28 days off) • Tobramycin inhalation solution (Bethkis, TOBI, Kitabis Pak) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – 2 ampules (8 mL Bethkis, 10 mL TOBI, Kitabis Pak) per day – 56 ampules (224 mL Bethkis, 280 mL TOBI, Kitabis Pak) per 56 day regimen (28 days on-28 days off) • Tobramycin capsules with inhalation powder (TOBI Podhaler) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – 8 capsules per day 224 capsules per 56 day regimen (28 days on-28 days off)
Anti-Fungals – Oral for Onychomycosis		
griseofulvin (suspension and ultramicrogranulated) terbinafine (tablet)	griseofulvin (tablet) itraconazole itraconazole solution (generic for Sporanox) Sporanox®	
Anti-Virals – Oral		
acyclovir valacyclovir	famciclovir Valtrex® Zovirax®	
Cephalosporins – Third Generation		
cefdinir	cefixime cefoperazone Suprax®	

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II. Anti-Infectives		
Fluoroquinolones – Oral		
ciprofloxacin (suspension, tablet) levofloxacin (tablet)	Baxdela® Cipro® (suspension, tablet) levofloxacin (solution) moxifloxacin ofloxacin (tablet)	
Hepatitis B Agents		
adefovir dipivoxil Baraclude® (solution) entecavir Epivir-HBV® (solution) lamivudine HBV	Baraclude® (tablet) Epivir-HBV® (tablet) Hepsera® Vemlidy®	
Hepatitis C Agents – Injectable F/Q/D		
Pegasys® PegIntron®	None	<p>FREQUENCY/QUANTITY/DURATION (F/Q/D)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PA required for the initial 14 weeks therapy to determine appropriate duration of therapy based on genotype, prior treatment and response, presence of cirrhosis, and HIV-coinfection. Further documentation required for continuation of therapy at weeks 14 and 26. After 12 weeks of therapy, obtain a quantitative HCV RNA. Continuation is supported if undetectable HCV RNA or at least a 2 log decrease compared to baseline. After 24 weeks of therapy obtain a HCV RNA. Continuation for genotype 1 and 4 is supported if undetectable HCV RNA. Maximum duration of 48 weeks for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Treatment-naïve patients or prior relapsers with cirrhosis and HIV co-infection Prior non-responders (including prior partial and null responders) with or without cirrhosis and with or without HIV co-infection

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II. Anti-Infectives		
Hepatitis C Agents – Direct Acting Antivirals		
Mavyret™ CC, F/Q/D ribavirin sofosbuvir/velpatasvir (generic for Epclusa®) CC, F/Q/D Vosevi® CC, F/Q/D	Epclusa® CC, F/Q/D Harvoni® CC, F/Q/D ledipasvir/sofosbuvir (generic for Harvoni®) CC, F/Q/D Sovaldi® CC, F/Q/D Viekira Pak® CC, F/Q/D Zepatier® CC, F/Q/D	<p>CLINICAL CRITERIA (CC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirm diagnosis of FDA-approved or compendia-supported indication For patients being retreated require confirmation of patient readiness and adherence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evaluation by using scales or assessment tools readily to determine a patient's readiness to initiate HCV treatment, specifically drug and alcohol abuse potential. Assessment tools are available to healthcare practitioners at: https://www.drugabuse.gov/nidamed-medical-health-professionals/screening-tools-resources/chart-screening-tools OR https://prepc.org/. The Hepatitis C Worksheet can be accessed at: https://newyork.fhsc.com/downloads/providers/NYRx_PDP_PA_Worksheet_Prescribers_HepC.docx
Tetracyclines		
demeclocycline doxycycline hyclate minocycline (capsule) tetracycline	Doryx® ST, F/Q/D Doryx MPC® ST, F/Q/D doxycycline hyclate DR ST, F/Q/D doxycycline monohydrate minocycline (tablet) minocycline ER (gen Ximino®) Minolira ER™ Nuzyra™ Solodyn® Vibramycin® Ximino®	<p>STEP THERAPY (ST)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trial of doxycycline IR before progressing to doxycycline DR <p>FREQUENCY/QUANTITY/DURATION (F/Q/D)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> doxycycline DR (Doryx®): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maximum 28 tablets/capsules per fill

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III. Cardiovascular		
Angiotensin Converting Enzyme Inhibitors (ACEIs)		
benazepril enalapril lisinopril ramipril	Accupril® Altace® captopril Epaned® fosinopril Lotensin® moexipril perindopril Prinivil® Qbrelis™ quinapril trandolapril Vasotec® Zestril®	
ACE Inhibitor Combinations		
benazepril/ amlodipine benazepril/ HCTZ captopril/ HCTZ enalapril/ HCTZ lisinopril/ HCTZ Lotrel® Tarka® trandolapril/verapamil ER	Accuretic® fosinopril/ HCTZ Lotensin HCT® quinapril/ HCTZ Vaseretic® Zestoretic®	

1 = Preferred as of 10/28/2021

2 = Non-Preferred as of 10/28/2021

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III. Cardiovascular		
Angiotensin Receptor Blockers (ARBs)		
Diovan® <small>DO</small> losartan valsartan	Atacand® Avapro® Benicar® <small>DO</small> candesartan Cozaar® Edarbi® eprosartan irbesartan Micardis® <small>DO</small> olmesartan telmisartan	<p>DOSE OPTIMIZATION (DO)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Dose Optimization Chart for affected drugs and strengths
Antianginals and Anti-Ischemics		
ranolazine	Ranexa®	
ARBs Combinations		
Entresto® Exforge HCT® losartan/ HCTZ valsartan/ amlodipine valsartan/ amlodipine / HCTZ valsartan/ HCTZ	Atacand HCT® Avalide® Azor® Benicar HCT® <small>DO</small> candesartan/ HCTZ Diovan HCT® <small>DO</small> Edarbyclor® <small>DO</small> Exforge® <small>DO</small> Hyzaar® irbesartan/ HCTZ Micardis HCT® <small>DO</small> olmesartan/ amlodipine olmesartan/ amlodipine/ HCTZ olmesartan/ HCTZ telmisartan/ amlodipine telmisartan/ HCTZ Tribenzor®	<p>DOSE OPTIMIZATION (DO)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Dose Optimization Chart for affected drugs and strengths

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III. Cardiovascular		
Beta Blockers		
atenolol carvedilol labetalol metoprolol succ. XL ^{DO} metoprolol tartrate propranolol (tablet)	acebutolol betaxolol bisoprolol Bystolic® ^{DO} carvedilol ER Coreg® Coreg CR® ^{DO} Corgard® Inderal LA® Inderal XL® InnoPran XL® Kapspargo™ Sprinkle Lopressor® nadolol ^{DO} nebivolol (generic Bystolic®) pindolol propranolol (solution) propranolol ER/SA Tenormin® timolol Toprol XL® ^{DO}	<p>DOSE OPTIMIZATION (DO)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See Dose Optimization Chart for affected drugs and strengths
Beta Blockers / Diuretics		
atenolol/ chlorthalidone bisoprolol/ HCTZ propranolol/ HCTZ	metoprolol tartrate/ HCTZ nadolol/ bendroflumethiazide Tenoretic® Ziac®	<p>DOSE OPTIMIZATION (DO)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See Dose Optimization Chart for affected drugs and strengths

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III. Cardiovascular		
Calcium Channel Blockers (Dihydropyridine)		
amlodipine felodipine ER isradipine nicardipine HCl nifedipine nifedipine ER/SA	Adalat® CC Katerzia™ nisoldipine Norvasc® Procardia® Procardia XL® Sular®	
Cholesterol Absorption Inhibitors		
cholestyramine cholestyramine light Colestid® (tablet) colestipol (tablet)	colesevelam Colestid (granules, packet) colestipol (granules, packet) ezetimibe Questran® Questran Light® Welchol® Zetia®	
Direct Renin Inhibitors ST		
aliskiren Tekturna® Tekturna HCT®	None	<p>STEP THERAPY (ST)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trial of product containing either an ACE inhibitor or an ARB prior to initiating preferred DRI

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III. Cardiovascular		
HMG-CoA Reductase Inhibitors (Statins)		
atorvastatin lovastatin pravastatin rosuvastatin simvastatin	Altoprev® atorvastatin/amlodipine Caduet® Crestor® <small>DO</small> Ezallor™ Sprinkle ezetimibe/simvastatin fluvastatin fluvastatin ER Lescol XL® Lipitor® Livalo® Pravachol® Vytorin® Zocor® Zypitamag™	<p>DOSE OPTIMIZATION (DO)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Dose Optimization Chart for affected drugs and strengths
Niacin Derivatives		
niacin ER	Niaspan® <small>DO</small>	<p>DOSE OPTIMIZATION (DO)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Dose Optimization Chart for affected drugs and strengths
Phosphodiesterase type-5 (PDE-5) Inhibitors for PAH <small>CC</small>		
sildenafil tadalafil	Revatio®	<p>CLINICAL CRITERIA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All prescriptions for Adcirca®, tadalafil, Revatio®, and sildenafil must have PA Prescribers or their authorized agents are required to respond to a series of questions that identify prescriber, patient and reason for prescribing drug Please be prepared to fax clinical documentation upon request Prescriptions can be written for a 30-day supply with up to 11 refills

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III. Cardiovascular		
Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension (PAH) Agents, Other – Oral		
ambrisentan (generic for Letairis) bosentan tablets (generic for Tracleer®)	Adempas® Letairis® Opsumit® Orenitram® ER Tracleer® tabs for suspension & tablets Uptravi®	
Triglyceride Lowering Agents		
gemfibrozil fenofibrate tablet (generic Tricor®) fenofibrate caps (generic Lofibra®) fenofibric acid (generic Trilipix®) omega-3 ethyl ester (generic Lovaza®) <small>F/Q/D,</small>	Antara® Fenoglide® icosapent (generic Vascepa®) <small>F/Q/D</small> Lipofen® Lopid® Lovaza® <small>F/Q/D</small> Tricor® Trilipix® Vascepa® <small>F/Q/D</small>	FREQUENCY/QUANTITY/DURATION (F/Q/D) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lovaza® (omega-3-acid ethyl-esters) and Vascepa® (icosapent ethyl) – Required dosage equal to 4 grams per day

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IV. Central Nervous System		
Alzheimer's Agents		
donepezil 5mg, 10mg Exelon® (patch) <small>BLTG</small> galantamine galantamine ER memantine Namenda® rivastigmine (capsule)	Aricept® donepezil 23 mg memantine ER <small>CC, ST</small> Namenda XR® <small>CC, ST</small> Namzaric® <small>CC, ST</small> Razadyne ER® rivastigmine (patch)	<p>CLINICAL CRITERIA (CC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Memantine extended-release containing products(Namenda XR® and Namzaric®) – Require confirmation of diagnosis of dementia or Alzheimer's disease <p>STEP THERAPY (ST)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Memantine extended-release containing products (Namenda XR® and Namzaric®) – Require trial with memantine immediate-release (Namenda®)
Anticonvulsants – Carbamazepine Derivatives		
carbamazepine (chewable, tablet) carbamazepine ER (capsule) carbamazepine XR (tablet) Equetro® oxcarbazepine Tegretol® (suspension) <small>BLTG</small>	Aptom® <small>CC</small> carbamazepine (suspension) <small>CC</small> Carbatrol® <small>CC</small> Oxtellar XR® <small>CC</small> Tegretol® (tablet) <small>CC</small> Tegretol XR® <small>CC</small> Trileptal® <small>CC</small>	<p>CLINICAL CRITERIA (CC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clinical editing will allow patients currently stabilized on a non-preferred agent to continue to receive that agent without PA
Anticonvulsants – Other		
clobazam (tablet) <small>ST, CC</small> gabapentin (capsule, solution, tablet) <small>F/Q/D, CC</small> lamotrigine (tablet, chew) levetiracetam levetiracetam ER Lyrica® (capsule) <small>DO, ST, F/Q/D, CC</small> pregabalin (capsule) <small>DO, ST, F/Q/D, CC</small> tiagabine topiramate <small>CC</small> zonisamide	Banzel® Briviact® clobazam (suspension) <small>ST</small> Diacomit® <small>CC</small> Elepsia® XR Epidiolex® <small>CC</small> felbamate Felbatol® Fintepla® Fycompa® Gabitril® Keppra®	<p>DOSE OPTIMIZATION (DO)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Dose Optimization Chart for affected drugs and strengths <p>CLINICAL CRITERIA (CC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clinical editing will allow patients currently stabilized on a non-preferred agent to continue to receive that agent without PA Cannabidiol extract (Epidiolex®) – Confirm diagnosis of FDA-approved or compendia-supported indication, or; Institutional Review Board (IRB) approval with signed consent form Lyrica®/Lyrica® CR (pregabalin) – PA required for the initiation of pregabalin at > 150 mg per day in patients currently on an opioid at > 50 MME per day

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IV. Central Nervous System		
Keppra XR® Lamictal® (tablet, chew, dosepak) Lamictal® ODT (tablet, dosepak) Lamictal® XR (tablet, dosepak) lamotrigine (dosepak) lamotrigine ER lamotrigine ODT (dosepak) Lyrica® (solution) <small>DO, ST, F/Q/D</small> Lyrica® CR <small>ST, F/Q/D, CC</small> Neurontin® <small>F/Q/D, CC</small> Onfi® <small>ST, CC</small> pregabalin (solution) <small>DO, ST, F/Q/D, CC</small> pregabalin ER (gen Lyrica® CR) <small>ST, F/Q/D, CC</small> rufinamide (gen Banzel®) Qudexy® XR <small>CC</small> Sabril® Spritam® Sympazan® film <small>ST, CC</small> Topamax® <small>CC</small> topiramate ER <small>CC</small> Trokendi XR® <small>CC</small> vigabatrin Vimpat® Xcopri®	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Neurontin® (gabapentin) – PA required for initiation of gabapentin at > 900 mg per day in patients currently on an opioid at > 50 MME per day • Stiripentol (Diacomit®) – Require diagnosis of FDA-approved or compendia-supported indication, or; Institutional Review Board (IRB) approval with signed consent form • Topiramate IR/ER (Qudexy® XR, Topamax®, Trokendi XR™) – Require confirmation of FDA-approved, compendia-supported, or Medicaid covered diagnosis • Onfi®/Sympazan® (clobazam): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Require confirmation of FDA-approved or compendia-supported use – PA required for initiation of clobazam therapy in patients currently on opioid or oral buprenorphine therapy – PA required for any clobazam prescription in patients currently on benzodiazepine therapy <p>FREQUENCY/QUANTITY/DURATION (F/Q/D)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lyrica®/Lyrica® CR (pregabalin) – Maximum daily dose of IR: 600 mg per day, and ER: 660 mg per day • Neurontin® (gabapentin) – Maximum daily dose of 3,600 mg per day <p>STEP THERAPY (ST)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lyrica®/Lyrica® CR (pregabalin) – Requires a trial with a tricyclic antidepressant OR gabapentin for treatment of Diabetic Peripheral Neuropathy (DPN) • Onfi®/Sympazan® (clobazam) – Requires a trial with an SSRI or SNRI for treatment of anxiety 	

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IV. Central Nervous System										
Antimigraine Agents, Other <small>ST, F/Q/D</small>										
Ajovy® Emgality®	Aimovig® Emgality® 100mg syringe	<p>Trial of 2 FDA approved migraine prevention products prior to a calcitonin gene-related peptide (CGRP) receptor antagonist</p> <p>FREQUENCY/QUANTITY/DURATION (F/Q/D)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Erenumab (Aimovig®): Maximum of 1 prefilled autoinjector per 30 days Galcanezumab 100mg (Emgality®): Maximum of 3 prefilled syringes per 30 days, 120 mg; Maximum of 2 prefilled syringes/autoinjectors per 30 days Fremanezumab (Ajovy®): Maximum of 3 prefilled syringes per ninety (90) days 								
Antimigraine Agents – Acute Treatment <small>F/Q/D</small>										
rizatriptan sumatriptan	almotriptan Amerge® eletriptan Frova® frovatriptan Imitrex® Maxalt® Maxalt® MLT naratriptan Nurtec™ ODT Onzetra™ Xsail™ Relpax® Reyvow™ sumatriptan-naproxen Tosymra™ TrexiMet® Ubrelvy™ Zembrace™ SymTouch™ zolmitriptan Zomig® Zomig® ZMT	<p>FREQUENCY/QUANTITY/DURATION (F/Q/D)</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Agent</th> <th>F/Q/D</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Reyvow™ 50 mg, 100 mg</td> <td>8 units / 30 days</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nurtec™ ODT 75 mg Onzetra™ Xsail™ 11 mg Ubrelvy™ 50 mg, 100 mg</td> <td>16 units / 30 days</td> </tr> <tr> <td>almotriptan eletriptan (Relpax®) 20 mg eletriptan (Relpax®) 40 mg frovatriptan (Frova®) 2.5 mg naratriptan (Amerge®) 1 mg, 2.5 mg rizatriptan (Maxalt®) 5 mg, 10 mg tablets rizatriptan (Maxalt® MLT) 5 mg, 10 mg ODT sumatriptan nasal spray (Imitrex®) 5 mg, 20 mg sumatriptan (Imitrex®) 25 mg, 50 mg, 100 mg tablets sumatriptan-naproxen (TrexiMet®) 85–500 mg Tosymra™ nasal spray 10 mg zolmitriptan (Zomig®) 2.5 mg, 5 mg tablets, zolmitriptan (Zomig® ZMT) 2.5 mg, 5 mg ODT Zomig® nasal spray 2.5 mg, 5 mg</td> <td>18 units / 30 days</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Agent	F/Q/D	Reyvow™ 50 mg, 100 mg	8 units / 30 days	Nurtec™ ODT 75 mg Onzetra™ Xsail™ 11 mg Ubrelvy™ 50 mg, 100 mg	16 units / 30 days	almotriptan eletriptan (Relpax®) 20 mg eletriptan (Relpax®) 40 mg frovatriptan (Frova®) 2.5 mg naratriptan (Amerge®) 1 mg, 2.5 mg rizatriptan (Maxalt®) 5 mg, 10 mg tablets rizatriptan (Maxalt® MLT) 5 mg, 10 mg ODT sumatriptan nasal spray (Imitrex®) 5 mg, 20 mg sumatriptan (Imitrex®) 25 mg, 50 mg, 100 mg tablets sumatriptan-naproxen (TrexiMet®) 85–500 mg Tosymra™ nasal spray 10 mg zolmitriptan (Zomig®) 2.5 mg, 5 mg tablets, zolmitriptan (Zomig® ZMT) 2.5 mg, 5 mg ODT Zomig® nasal spray 2.5 mg, 5 mg	18 units / 30 days
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IV. Central Nervous System						
Antipsychotics – Injectable						
Abilify Maintena® Aristada® Aristada Initio® fluphenazine decanoate Haldol® decanoate haloperidol decanoate Invega Sustenna® Invega Trinza® Perseris™ ¹ Risperdal Consta® Zyprexa Relprevv®	Invega Hafyera™ CC	<p>CLINICAL CRITERIA (CC) paliperidone (Invega Hafyera™) – Requires a trial of either Invega Sustenna® in the last 4 months, or Invega Trinza® in the last 3 months. Minimum age is 18 years.</p>				
Antipsychotics – Second Generation CC, ST, F/Q/D						
aripiprazole (tablet) ^{DO} asenapine (gen Saphris®) clozapine Latuda® ^{DO} olanzapine (tablet) ^{DO} quetiapine ^{F/Q/D} quetiapine ER ^{F/Q/D} risperidone ziprasidone (capsules)	Abilify® (tablet) ^{DO} Abilify MyCite® aripiprazole (solution) aripiprazole ODT Caplyta™ clozapine ODT Clozaril® Fanapt® Geodon® Invega® ^{DO, F/Q/D} Lybalvi™ Nuplazid® olanzapine ODT ^{DO} paliperidone ER ^{F/Q/D} Rexulti® ^{DO} Risperdal® Saphris® Secuado® ^{F/Q/D} Seroquel® ^{F/Q/D}	<p>DOSE OPTIMIZATION (DO)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Dose Optimization Chart for affected drugs and strengths <p>CLINICAL CRITERIA (CC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clinical editing will allow patients currently stabilized on a non-preferred agent to continue to receive that agent without PA Prior authorization is required when an oral SGA is utilized above the highest MDD according to FDA labeling. Prior authorization is required for patients less than 21 years of age when there is concurrent use of 2 or more different oral antipsychotics for greater than 90 days. Prior authorization is required for patients 21 years of age or older when 3 or more different oral second generation antipsychotics are used for more than 180 days. Confirm diagnosis of FDA-approved or compendia-supported indication PA is required for initial prescription for beneficiaries younger than the drug-specific minimum age as indicated below: <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">aripiprazole (Abilify®)</td> <td style="padding: 2px; text-align: right;">6 years</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">aripiprazole (Abilify MyCite®)</td> <td style="padding: 2px; text-align: right;">18 years</td> </tr> </table>	aripiprazole (Abilify®)	6 years	aripiprazole (Abilify MyCite®)	18 years
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IV. Central Nervous System			
Seroquel XR® <small>DO, F/Q/D</small>		asenapine (Saphris®)	10 years
Versacloz®		Asenapine (Secuado®)	18 years
Vraylar®		brexpiprazole (Rexulti®)	18 years
Zyprexa® <small>DO</small>		cariprazine (Vraylar®)	18 years
Zyprexa® Zydis		clozapine (Clozaril®, Versacloz®)	12 years
		iloperidone (Fanapt®)	18 years
		lumateperone (Caplyta™)	18 years
		lurasidone HCl (Latuda®)	10 years
		olanzapine (Zyprexa®)	10 years
		paliperidone ER (Invega®)	12 years
		pimavanserin (Nuplazid®)	18 years
		quetiapine fum. (Seroquel®, Seroquel XR®)	10 years
		risperidone (Risperdal®)	5 years
		ziprasidone HCl (Geodon®)	10 years
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Require confirmation of diagnosis that supports the concurrent use of a Second Generation Antipsychotic and a CNS Stimulant for patients < 18 years of age 	
		STEP THERAPY (ST)	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For all Second Generation Antipsychotics used in the treatment of Major Depressive Disorder in the absence of other psychiatric comorbidities, trial with at least two different antidepressant agents is required 	
		FREQUENCY/QUANTITY/DURATION (F/Q/D)	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> asenapine (Secuado®) 7.6 mg/24 hours lumateperone (Caplyta™) 42 mg capsules: Maximum 1 unit/day paliperidone ER (Invega®) 1.5 mg, 3 mg, 9 mg tablets: Maximum 1 unit/day paliperidone ER (Invega®) 6 mg tablets: Maximum 2 units/day quetiapine/quetiapine ER (Seroquel®/Seroquel XR®): Minimum 100 mg/day; maximum 800 mg/day quetiapine (Seroquel®): Maximum 3 units per day, 90 units per 30 days quetiapine ER (Seroquel XR®) 150 mg, 200 mg: 1 unit/day, 30 units/30 days 	

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IV. Central Nervous System		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • quetiapine ER (Seroquel XR®) 50 mg, 300 mg, 400 mg: 2 units/day, 60 units/30 days
Benzodiazepines – Rectal		
diazepam (rectal gel)	Diastat® 2.5 mg Diastat® AcuDial™	
Central Nervous System (CNS) Stimulants CC, F/Q/D		
amphetamine salt combo IR (generic for Adderall®) amphetamine salt combo ER (generic for Adderall XR®) DO Concerta® DO, BLTG Daytrana® dexmethylphenidate (generic for Focalin®) dexmethylphenidate ER (generic for Focalin XR®) dextroamphetamine (tablet) methylphenidate solution (generic for Methyltin®) methylphenidate tablet (generic for Ritalin®) methylphenidate ER (generic for Aptensio® XR) Vyvanse® (capsule, chewable) DO	Adderall XR® DO Adhansia XR™ Adzenys ER® Adzenys XR-ODT® amphetamine (generic for Adzenys ER®) amphetamine (generic for Evekeo®) Aptensio XR® armodafinil (generic for Nuvigil®) Azstarys™ Cotempla® XR-ODT™ Desoxyn® Dexedrine® dextroamphetamine ER (generic for Dexedrine®) dextroamphetamine (solution) (generic for ProCentra®) Dyanavel XR® Evekeo® Evekeo® ODT Focalin® Focalin XR® DO Jornay PM™ methamphetamine (generic for Desoxyn®) Methyltin®	<p>CLINICAL CRITERIA (CC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirm diagnosis of FDA-approved, compendia-supported, and Medicaid covered indication for beneficiaries less than 18 years of age. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Prior authorization is required for initial prescriptions for stimulant therapy for beneficiaries less than 3 years of age – Require confirmation of diagnoses that support concurrent use of CNS Stimulant and Second Generation Antipsychotic agent • Patient-specific considerations for drug selection include treatment of excessive sleepiness associated with shift work sleep disorder, narcolepsy, or as an adjunct to standard treatment for obstructive sleep apnea. • For patients 18 years of age and older: • Confirm diagnosis of FDA-approved, compendia-supported, and Medicaid covered indication <p>DOSE OPTIMIZATION (DO)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See Dose Optimization Chart for affected drugs and strengths <p>FREQUENCY/QUANTITY/DURATION (F/Q/D)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quantity limits based on daily dosage as determined by FDA labeling • Quantity limits to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Short-acting CNS stimulants: not to exceed 3 dosage units daily with maximum of 90 days per strength (for titration) – Long-acting CNS stimulants: not to exceed 1 dosage unit daily with maximum of 90 days. Concerta 36mg and Cotempla XR-ODT 25.9 mg, Adhansia XR 35 mg and 45 mg; not to exceed 2 units daily, Adhansia XR 25 mg not to exceed 3 units daily.

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IV. Central Nervous System		
	methylphenidate chewable tablet (generic for Methylin®) methylphenidate CD methylphenidate ER 72 mg methylphenidate ER (generic Concerta®, Ritalin LA®, Metadate®) modafinil (generic for Provigil®) DO Mydayis™ Nuvigil® ProCentra® Provigil® DO QuilliChew ER™ DO Quillivant XR® Ritalin® Ritalin LA® DO Sonusi™ Wakix® Zenedi®	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Azstarys; not to exceed 1 dosage unit per day - Pitolisant (Wakix®): not to exceed 2 dosage units daily of the 17.8 mg tablets or 3 dosage units daily of the 4.45 mg tablets.
Movement Disorder Agents CC		
Austedo® tetrabenazine	Ingrezza® Ingrezza® titration pack Xenazine®	CLINICAL CRITERIA (CC) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirm diagnosis for an FDA-approved or compendia-supported indication

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IV. Central Nervous System		
Multiple Sclerosis Agents		
Avonex® Betaseron® Copaxone® 20 mg/mL ^{BLTG} Tecfidera® ^{BLTG}	Aubagio® Bafiertam™ Copaxone® 40 mg/mL dimethyl fumarate DR Extavia® Gilenya® ² glatiramer Kesimpta® Mavenclad® Mayzent® Plegridy® Ponvory™ F/Q/D Rebif® Vumerity® Zeposia®	FREQUENCY/QUANTITY/DURATION (F/Q/D) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ponvory™ (ponesimod) starter pack; maximum quantity is 14, no refills • Ponvory™ (ponesimod); maintenance limited to a 30 day supply
Non-Ergot Dopamine Receptor Agonists		
pramipexole ropinirole	Kynmobi™ CC Mirapex ER® Neupro® pramipexole ER ropinirole ER	CLINICAL CRITERIA (CC) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • apomorphine (Kynmobi™): Confirm diagnosis of FDA-approved, compendia-supported, and Medicaid-covered indication DOSE OPTIMIZATION (DO) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See Dose Optimization Chart for affected strengths
Other Agents for Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) CC		
atomoxetine ^{DO} guanfacine ER ^{DO}	clonidine ER Intuniv® ^{DO} Qelbree™ Strattera® ^{DO}	CLINICAL CRITERIA (CC) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirm diagnosis for an FDA-approved or compendia-supported indication for beneficiaries < 18 years of age. • Prior authorization is required for initial prescriptions for non-stimulant therapy for beneficiaries less than 6 years of age DOSE OPTIMIZATION (DO) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See Dose Optimization Chart for affected strengths

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IV. Central Nervous System		
Sedative Hypnotics/Sleep Agents F/Q/D		
estazolam <small>CC</small> flurazepam <small>CC</small> temazepam 15 mg, 30 mg <small>CC</small> zolpidem <small>CC</small>	Ambien® <small>CC</small> Ambien CR® <small>CC</small> Belsomra® Dayvigo™ doxepin (generic for Silenor®) Edluar® <small>CC</small> eszopiclone Halcion® <small>CC</small> Lunesta® <small>DO</small> ramelteon (generic for Rozerem®) Restoril® <small>CC</small> Rozerem® Silenor® temazepam 7.5 mg, 22.5 mg <small>CC</small> triazolam <small>CC</small> zaleplon zolpidem (sublingual) <small>CC</small> zolpidem ER <small>CC</small>	<p>DOSE OPTIMIZATION (DO)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Dose Optimization Chart for affected strengths <p>CLINICAL CRITERIA (CC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Zolpidem products: Confirm dosage is consistent with FDA labeling for initial prescriptions Benzodiazepine Agents (estazolam, flurazepam, Halcion®, Restoril®, temazepam, triazolam): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirm diagnosis of FDA-approved or compendia-supported indication PA required for initiation of benzodiazepine therapy in patients currently on opioid or oral buprenorphine therapy PA required for any additional benzodiazepine prescription in patients currently on benzodiazepine therapy <p>FREQUENCY/QUANTITY/DURATION (F/Q/D)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Frequency and duration limits for the following products: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For non-zaleplon and non-benzodiazepine containing products: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 30 dosage units per fill/1 dosage unit per day/30 days For zaleplon-containing products: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 60 dosage units per fill/2 dosage units per day/30 days Duration limit equivalent to the maximum recommended duration: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 180 days for immediate-release zolpidem (Ambien®, Edluar®) products 180 days for eszopiclone and ramelteon (Rozerem®) products 180 days for lemborexant (Dayvigo™) 168 days for zolpidem ER (Ambien CR®) products 90 days for suvorexant (Belsomra®) 90 days for doxepin (Silenor®) 30 days for zaleplon (Sonata®) products

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IV. Central Nervous System		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – 30 days for benzodiazepine agents (estazolam, flurazepam, Halcion®, Restoril®, temazepam, triazolam) for the treatment of insomnia • Additional/Alternate parameters: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – For patients naïve to non-benzodiazepine sedative hypnotics (NBSH): First-fill duration and quantity limit of 10 dosage units as a 10-day supply, except for zaleplon-containing products which the quantity limit is 20 dosage units as a 10-day supply
Selective Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitors (SSRIs)		
citalopram escitalopram (tablet) fluoxetine (capsule, solution) paroxetine sertraline	Brisdelle® Celexa® escitalopram (soln) fluoxetine (tablet) fluoxetine DR weekly fluvoxamine ^{CC} fluvoxamine ER ^{CC} Lexapro® ^{DO} paroxetine 7.5 mg paroxetine CR Paxil® Paxil CR® Pexeva® Prozac® Trintellix® ^{DO} Viibryd® ^{DO} Zoloft®	<p>DOSE OPTIMIZATION (DO)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See Dose Optimization Chart for affected strengths <p>CLINICAL CRITERIA (CC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clinical editing will allow patients currently stabilized on fluvoxamine or fluvoxamine ER to continue to receive that agent without PA • Clinical editing to allow patients with a diagnosis of Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder (OCD) to receive fluvoxamine and fluvoxamine ER without prior authorization

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IV. Central Nervous System		
Serotonin-Norepinephrine Reuptake Inhibitors (SNRIs)ST		
duloxetine 20 mg, 30 mg, 60 mg (generic for Cymbalta®) venlafaxine venlafaxine ER (capsule) ^{DO}	Cymbalta® desvenlafaxine ER desvenlafaxine succinate ER ^{DO} Drizalma Sprinkle™ duloxetine 40 mg Effexor XR® ^{DO} Fetzima® Pristiq® ^{DO} Savella® venlafaxine ER (tablet)	<p>DOSE OPTIMIZATION (DO)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See Dose Optimization Chart for affected strengths <p>STEP THERAPY (ST)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trial of an SSRI prior to an SNRI* • *Step therapy is not required for the following indications: • Chronic musculoskeletal pain (CMP) • Fibromyalgia (FM) • Diabetic peripheral neuropathy (DPN)* <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – *duloxetine (Cymbalta®) – Requires a trial with a tricyclic antidepressant OR gabapentin for treatment of Diabetic Peripheral Neuropathy (DPN)

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V. Dermatologic Agents		
Acne Agents, Topical		
adapalene/benzoyl peroxide (generic for Epiduo) adapalene cream Differin® OTC (1% gel) Retin-A® cream ^{CC, BLTG} Tazarotene cream ^{CC} tretinoin gel (generic Avita, Retin-A) ^{CC}	Aklier® ^{CC} Aczone® adapalene (Rx gel, gel pump) Altreno® ^{CC} Amzeeq™ ^{F/Q/D} Arazlo™ ^{CC} Atralin® ^{CC} Avita® ^{CC} clindamycin / tretinoin ^{CC} dapsone Differin® (Rx gel, solution, lotion, cream) Epiduo® Fabior® ^{CC} Retin-A® gel ^{CC} Retin-A Micro® ^{CC} tazarotene foam (generic Fabior®) ^{CC} Tazorac® ^{CC} tretinoin cream, gel ^{CC} (generic Atralin) tretinoin micro ^{CC} Winlevi® Ziana® ^{CC}	<p>CLINICAL CRITERIA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirm diagnosis of FDA-approved, compendia-supported, and Medicaid-covered indication <p>FREQUENCY/QUANTITY/DURATION (F/Q/D)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Frequency and duration limits for the following products: Amzeeq™ (minocycline) – maximum quantity is 30 grams per month
Actinic Keratosis Agents		
Diclofenac 3% gel ^{CC} fluorouracil (solution) fluorouracil 0.5% cream (generic Carac) fluorouracil 5% cream (generic Efudex cream) imiquimod (generic Aldara)	Aldara® Carac® Efudex® imiquimod (generic Zyclara) ² Picato Tolak® Zyclara®	<p>CLINICAL CRITERIA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> diclofenac 3% gel: confirm diagnosis of FDA-approved, compendia-supported, and Medicaid-covered indication

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V. Dermatologic Agents		
Antibiotics – Topical		
mupirocin (ointment)	Centany® mupirocin (cream) Xepi™	
Anti-Fungals – Topical		
ciclopirox (cream, suspension) clotrimazole OTC clotrimazole / betamethasone (cream) miconazole OTC nystatin (cream, ointment, powder) terbinafine OTC tolnaftate OTC	Alevazol OTC Cyclodan® (cream) ciclopirox (gel, shampoo) clotrimazole / betamethasone (lotion) clotrimazole Rx econazole Ertaczo® Exelderm® Extina® ketoconazole ketoconazole 2% shampoo Lamisil® OTC (spray) Loprox® shampoo luliconazole Luzu® Mentax® naftifine Naftin® nystatin/ triamcinolone oxiconazole Oxistat® Vusion® F/Q/D	FREQUENCY/QUANTITY/DURATION (F/Q/D) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vusion® 50 gm ointment – Maximum 100 grams in a 90-day time period

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Preferred Drugs	Non-Preferred Drugs	Prior Authorization/Coverage Parameters
V. Dermatologic Agents		
Anti-Infectives – Topical		
clindamycin (solution) clindamycin/benzoyl peroxide (generic for Duac®) erythromycin (solution)	Acanya® BenzaClin® (gel, pump) Benzamycin® Cleocin T® clindamycin (foam, gel, lotion, ppledget) clindamycin/benzoyl peroxide (generic for BenzaClin®) clindamycin/benzoyl peroxide (generic for Acanya®) Erygel® erythromycin (gel, ppledget) erythromycin / benzoyl peroxide Evoclin® Neuac® Onexton®	
Anti-Virals – Topical		
docosanol (generic Abreva) Zovirax® (cream) <small>BLTG</small>	acyclovir (ointment, cream) Denavir® Sitavig® Xerese® Zovirax® (ointment)	
Immunomodulators – Topical <small>CC</small>		
pimecrolimus tacrolimus	Elidel® Protopic®	CLINICAL CRITERIA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All prescriptions require prior authorization • Refills on prescriptions are allowed

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V. Dermatologic Agents		
Psoriasis Agents – Topical		
calcipotriene (cream, ointment, scalp solution)	calcipotriene (generic Sorilux®) calcipotriene / betamethasone dipropionate (generic Tacalonex®) calcitriol (ointment) Dovonex® (cream) Duobrii™ Enstilar® Sorilux® Taclonex® Taclonex® Scalp® Vectical®	
Steroids, Topical – Low Potency		
hydrocortisone acetate OTC hydrocortisone acetate Rx	alclometasone Capex® Derma-Smoothe/FS® Desonate® desonide fluocinolone (oil) Texacort®	

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V. Dermatologic Agents		
Steroids, Topical – Medium Potency		
mometasone furoate	Beser lotion betamethasone valerate (foam) clocortolone Cloderm® Cutivate® fluocinolone acetonide (cream, ointment, soln.) flurandrenolide fluticasone propionate hydrocortisone butyrate (cream, lotion, ointment, solution) hydrocortisone valerate Locoid® Locoid Lipocream® Luxiq® Pandel® prednicarbate Synalar®	

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V. Dermatologic Agents		
Steroids, Topical – High Potency		
betamethasone dipropionate (lotion) betamethasone valerate (cream, ointment) triamcinolone acetonide	amcinonide ApexiCon-E® betamethasone dipropionate (gel, ointment, cream) betamethasone dipropionate, augmented betamethasone valerate (lotion) desoximetasone diflorasone Diprolene® fluocinonide 0.1% cream (generic for Vanos®) fluocinonide (ointment, cream, gel, solution, emollient) halcinonide cream (generic for Halog®) Halog® (cream, solution, ointment) Kenalog® Topicort® triamcinolone spray Trianex® Vanos®	

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Preferred Drugs	Non-Preferred Drugs	Prior Authorization/Coverage Parameters
V. Dermatologic Agents		
Steroids, Topical – Very High Potency		
clobetasol (cream, emollient, gel, ointment, solution) halobetasol (cream, ointment)	Bryhali™ clobetasol (foam, lotion, spray, shampoo) Clobex® halobetasol (foam) Impeklo™ Lexette™ (foam) Olux® Olux-E® Temovate-E® Ultravate®	

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VI. Endocrine and Metabolic Agents		
Alpha-Glucosidase Inhibitors ST		
acarbose miglitol	Precose®	<p>STEP THERAPY (ST)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires a trial with metformin with or without insulin prior to initiating alpha-glucosidase inhibitor therapy, unless there is a documented contraindication.
Amylin Analogs ST		
Symlin®	None	<p>STEP THERAPY (ST)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires a trial with metformin with or without insulin prior to initiating amylin analogue therapy, unless there is a documented contraindication.
Anabolic Steroids – Topical CDRP, F/Q/D		
AndroGel® BLTG	Androderm® Fortesta® Testim® testosterone gel testosterone pump Vogelxo	<p>CLINICAL DRUG REVIEW PROGRAM (CDRP)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For diagnosis of hypogonadotropic or primary hypogonadism: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires documented low testosterone concentration with two tests prior to initiation of therapy. Require documented testosterone therapeutic concentration to confirm response after initiation of therapy. For diagnosis of delayed puberty: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires documentation that growth hormone deficiency has been ruled out prior to initiation of therapy. 1.62% gel only: For diagnosis of gender dysphoria please refer to July 2020 edition of the Medicaid Update; https://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/program/update/2020/no12_2020-07.htm#transgender The Anabolic Steroid fax form can be found at: https://newyork.fhsc.com/downloads/providers/NYRx_CDRP_PA_Worksheets_Prescribers_Anabolic_Steroids.docx <p>FREQUENCY/QUANTITY/DURATION (F/Q/D)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limitations for anabolic steroid products based on approved FDA labeled daily dosing and documented diagnosis: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Duration limit of 6 months for delayed puberty

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VI. Endocrine and Metabolic Agents																				
Biguanides																				
metformin HCl metformin ER (generic for Glucophage XR®)	Fortamet® Glucophage XR® Glumetza® metformin solution (generic Riomet®) metformin ER (generic for Fortamet®, Glumetza®) Riomet® Riomet ER™																			
Bisphosphonates – Oral F/Q/D																				
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Calcitonins – Intranasal																				
calcitonin-salmon																				

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VI. Endocrine and Metabolic Agents		
Dipeptidyl Peptidase-4 (DPP-4) Inhibitors ST		
Glyxambi® Janumet® Janumet® XR Januvia® ^{DO} Jentadueto® Tradjenta®	alogliptin alogliptin / metformin alogliptin / pioglitazone Jentadueto® XR Kazano® Kombiglyze® XR Nesina® Onglyza® ^{DO} Oseni® Qtern® Steglujan®	<p>DOSE OPTIMIZATION (DO)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Dose Optimization Chart for affected strengths <p>STEP THERAPY (ST)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires a trial with metformin with or without insulin prior to DPP-4 Inhibitor therapy, unless there is a documented contraindication.
Glucagon-like Peptide-1 (GLP-1) Agonists ST		
Byetta® Trulicity® Victoza®	Adlyxin® Bydureon® BCise™ Ozempic® Rybelsus® Soliqua® Xultophy®	<p>STEP THERAPY (ST)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires a trial with metformin with or without insulin prior to a GLP-1 agonist. Prior authorization is required with lack of covered diagnosis in medical history.

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VI. Endocrine and Metabolic Agents		
Glucocorticoids – Oral		
dexamethasone (tablet) Entocort EC® <small>1, BLTG</small> hydrocortisone methylprednisolone (dose-pack) prednisolone (solution) prednisone (dose-pack, tablet)	Alkindi® Sprinkle budesonide EC budesonide ER Cortef® cortisone dexamethasone (elixir, solution) dexamethasone intensol Emflaza® Hemady™ Medrol® (dose-pack, tablet) methylprednisolone (4 mg, 8 mg 16 mg, 32 mg) Millipred® Ortikos™ prednisolone ODT prednisone (intensol, solution) Rayos® TaperDex® Uceris®	
Growth Hormones <small>CC, CDRP</small>		
Genotropin® Norditropin®	Humatrop® Nutropin AQ® Omnitrope® Saizen® Skytrofa® Zomacton® Zorbtive®	<p>CLINICAL DRUG REVIEW PROGRAM (CDRP)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prescribers or their authorized agents may call or submit a fax request for a PA for beneficiaries 18 years of age or older <p>CLINICAL CRITERIA (CC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Patient-specific considerations for drug selection include concerns related to use of a non-preferred agent for FDA-approved indications that are not listed for a preferred agent. Confirm diagnosis of FDA-approved or compendia-supported indication

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VI. Endocrine and Metabolic Agents		
Insulin – Long-Acting		
Lantus® Levemir®	Basaglar® Semglee® Toujeo® Solostar® Toujeo® Max Solostar® Tresiba®	
Insulin – Mixes		
Humalog® 50/50 Mix: pen and vial Humalog® 75/25 Mix: vial insulin lispro 75/25 mix: pen (generic for Humalog® Mix) insulin aspart prot/insulin aspart vial (generic for Novolog) Novolog® Mix: pen BLTG	Humalog® 75/25 mix: pen insulin aspart prot/insulin aspart pen (generic for Novolog®) Novolog® 70/30 Mix: vial	
Insulin – Rapid-Acting		
Apidra® Humalog® 100 U/mL pen BLTG insulin aspart (generic Novolog®) cartridge insulin aspart (generic Novolog®) vial insulin lispro vial (generic Humalog® U100) insulin lispro junior (generic Humalog® Jr.) Novolog® Flexpen BLTG	Admelog® Afrezza® Fiasp® (Penfill, FlexTouch) Humalog® 200 U/mL Humalog® Jr. 100 U/mL Humalog® 100 U/mL vial insulin aspart (generic Novolog®) pen insulin lispro (generic Humalog®) pen Lyumjev™ Novolog® cartridge, vial	
Meglitinides ST		
nateglinide repaglinide	Prandin® repaglinide/ metformin Starlix®	STEP THERAPY (ST) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires a trial with metformin with or without insulin prior to initiating meglitinide therapy, unless there is a documented contraindication.

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VI. Endocrine and Metabolic Agents		
Pancreatic Enzymes		
Creon® Zenpep®	Pancreaze® Pertzye® Viokace®	
Sodium Glucose Co-Transporter 2 (SGLT2) Inhibitors ST		
Farxiga® ST Invokana® Jardiance® ST	Invokamet® Invokamet® XR Segluromet® Steglatro® Synjardy® Synjardy® XR Trijardy® XR Xigduo® XR	<p>STEP THERAPY (ST)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires a trial with metformin with or without insulin prior to initiating SGLT2 Inhibitor therapy, unless there is a documented contraindication. Farxiga® (dapagliflozin), Jardiance® (empagliflozin) – Requires a trial with metformin with or without insulin prior to initiating SGLT2 Inhibitor therapy, unless there is a documented contraindication or drug is being used for an FDA-approved indication other than Type 2 Diabetes or related.
Thiazolidinediones (TZDs) ST		
pioglitazone	ACTOplus Met® ACTOplus Met® XR ^{DO} Actos® ^{DO} Avandia® Duetact® pioglitazone / glimepiride pioglitazone / metformin	<p>DOSE OPTIMIZATION (DO)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Dose Optimization Chart for affected strengths <p>STEP THERAPY (ST)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires a trial with metformin with or without insulin prior to initiating TZD therapy, unless there is a documented contraindication.

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VII. Gastrointestinal		
Anti-Emetics		
aprepitant pack doxylamine succ/pyridoxine ondansetron (ODT, solution, tablet)	Akynzeo® aprepitant (capsule) Bonjesta® <small>CC</small> Diclegis® <small>CC</small> Emend® (capsule, powder packet, TriPack) gransetron (tablet) Sancuso® Zofran® (ODT, solution, tablet)	CLINICAL CRITERIA (CC) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diclegis® and Bonjesta®: Confirm diagnosis of FDA-approved or compendia-supported indication
Gastrointestinal Antibiotics		
Firvanq® <small>BLTG</small> metronidazole (tablet) neomycin vancomycin (capsule)	Difidic® Flagyl® metronidazole (capsule) nitazoxanide paromomycin tinidazole Vancocin® vancomycin (solution) Xifaxan® <small>CC, ST, F/Q/D</small>	CLINICAL CRITERIA (CC) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Xifaxan®: Confirm diagnosis of FDA-approved or compendia-supported indication STEP THERAPY (ST) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Xifaxan®: Requires trial of a preferred fluoroquinolone antibiotic before rifaximin for treatment of Traveler's diarrhea QUANTITY LIMITS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Xifaxan®: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Traveler's diarrhea (200 mg tablet) – 9 tablets per 30 days (Dose = 200 mg 3 times a day for 3 days) – Hepatic encephalopathy (550 mg tablets) – 60 tablets per 30 days (Dose = 550 mg twice a day) – Irritable bowel syndrome with diarrhea (550 mg tablets) – 42 tablets per 30 days (Dose = 550 mg three times a day for 14 days) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maximum of 42 days' supply (126 units) per 365 (3 rounds of therapy).

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VII. Gastrointestinal		
Helicobacter pylori Agents		
Pylera®	Helidac™ lansoprazole / amoxicillin / clarithromycin Omeclamox-Pak® Talicia®	
Proton Pump Inhibitors (PPIs) F/Q/D		
omeprazole Rx pantoprazole tablet	Aciphex® Dexilant® <small>DO</small> esomeprazole magnesium (generic for Nexium) esomeprazole strontium lansoprazole Rx (capsule, ODT) Nexium® RX <small>DO</small> omeprazole OTC omeprazole/ sodium bicarbonate Rx pantoprazole suspension Prevacid® OTC Prevacid® Rx <small>DO</small> Prilosec® Rx Protonix® rabeprazole Zegerid®	<p>DOSE OPTIMIZATION (DO)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Dose Optimization Chart for affected strengths <p>FREQUENCY/QUANTITY/DURATION (F/Q/D)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quantity limits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Once daily dosing for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> GERD erosive esophagitis healing and maintenance of duodenal/gastric ulcers (including NSAID-induced) prevention of NSAID-induced ulcers Twice daily dosing for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> hypersecretory conditions Barrett's esophagitis H. pylori refractory GERD Duration limits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 90 days for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> GERD 365 days for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintenance treatment of duodenal ulcers, or erosive esophagitis 14 days for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> H. pylori

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VII. Gastrointestinal		
Sulfasalazine Derivatives		
Apriso® BLTG Lialda® BLTG Pentasa® sulfasalazine DR sulfasalazine IR	Asacol HD® Azulfidine® Azulfidine Entab® balsalazide Colazal® Delzicol® Dipentum® mesalamine DR (generic for Delzicol®) mesalamine DR (generic for Lialda®) mesalamine ER (generic for Apriso®) mesalamine DR	

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VIII. Hematological Agents		
Anticoagulants – Injectable F/Q/D		
enoxaparin sodium Fragmin® (vial)	Arixtra® <small>CC</small> fondaparinux <small>CC</small> Fragmin® (syringe) Lovenox®	<p>CLINICAL CRITERIA (CC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For patients requiring > 30 days of therapy: Require confirmation of FDA-approved or compendia-supported indication Arixtra® (fondaparinux) Clinical editing to allow patients with a diagnosis of Heparin Induced Thrombocytopenia (HIT) to receive therapy without prior authorization. <p>FREQUENCY/QUANTITY/DURATION (F/Q/D)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Duration Limit: No more than 30 days for members initiating therapy
Anticoagulants – Oral		
Eliquis® Pradaxa® warfarin Xarelto® (10 mg) <small>DO</small>	Savaysa® Xarelto® (dose pack)	
Colony Stimulating Factors		
Neupogen® Nyvepria™	Fulphila™ Granix® Leukine® Neulasta® Nivestym™ Udenyca® Zarxio® Zixextenso®	
Erythropoiesis Stimulating Agents (ESAs) <small>CC</small>		
Epogen® Retacrit®	Aranesp® Mircera® Procrit®	<p>CLINICAL CRITERIA (CC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirm diagnosis for FDA- or compendia-supported uses

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VIII. Hematological Agents		
Platelet Inhibitors		
Brilinta® clopidogrel dipyridamole dipyridamole / aspirin	Effient® Plavix® prasugrel Zontivity®	
IX. Immunologic Agents		
Immunomodulators – Systemic CC, ST		
Cosentyx® Enbrel® Humira®	Actemra® (subcutaneous) Benlysta® (subcutaneous) Cimzia® Illumya® Kevzara® Kineret® Olumiant® Orencia® (subcutaneous) Otezla® Rinvoq™ ER Siliq™ Simponi® Skyrizi™ Stelara® Taltz® Tremfya® Xeljanz® Xeljanz® XR	<p>CLINICAL CRITERIA (CC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirm diagnosis for FDA- or compendia-supported uses <p>STEP THERAPY (ST)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trial of a disease-modifying anti-rheumatic drug (DMARD) prior to treatment with an immunomodulator Trial of a TNF inhibitor prior to treatment with Olumiant®

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IX. Immunologic Agents		
Immunosuppressives, Oral		
azathioprine CellCept® (suspension) <small>BLTG</small> cyclosporine (softgel, capsule) cyclosporine modified (capsule, solution) mycophenolate mofetil (capsule, tablet) Rapamune® (solution) <small>BLTG</small> sirolimus (tablet) tacrolimus	Astagraf XL® Azasan® CellCept® (capsule, tablet) Envarsus XR® everolimus (gen Zortress®) Imuran® Lupkynis™ CC, ST, F/Q/D mycophenolic acid mycophenolate mofetil (suspension) Myfortic® Neoral® Prograf® Rapamune® (tablet) Sandimmune® (solution, capsule) sirolimus (solution) Zortress®	CLINICAL CRITERIA (CC) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lupkynis™ (voclosporin) - Confirm diagnosis for FDA- or compendia-supported uses STEP THERAPY (ST) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trial of mycophenolate prior to Lupkynis™ FREQUENCY/QUANTITY/DURATION (F/Q/D) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lupkynis™ limited to 30 day supply

Preferred Drugs	Non-Preferred Drugs	Prior Authorization/Coverage Parameters
X. Miscellaneous Agents		
Progesterins (for Cachexia)		
megestrol acetate (suspension)	megestrol 625 mg/5 mL (suspension)	
Epinephrine - Self-injected		
epinephrine (generic for EpiPen®) epinephrine (generic for EpiPen Jr.®)	epinephrine (generic for Adrenaclick®) EpiPen® EpiPen Jr.® Symjepi®	

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XI. Musculoskeletal Agents		
Skeletal Muscle Relaxants		
baclofen chlorzoxazone 500 mg cyclobenzaprine 5 mg, 10 mg (tablet) dantrolene methocarbamol orphenadrine ER tizanidine (tablet)	Amrix® carisoprodol <small>ST, F/Q/D</small> carisoprodol compound <small>ST, F/Q/D</small> carisoprodol compound / codeine <small>CC, ST, F/Q/D</small> chlorzoxazone (generic for Lorzone) 375 mg, 750 mg cyclobenzaprine 7.5 mg cyclobenzaprine ER (generic for Amrix) capsule Dantrium® Fexmid® Lorzone® metaxalone Norgesic® Forte Ozobax™ Robaxin® Skelaxin® Soma® <small>ST, F/Q/D</small> Soma® 250 <small>ST, F/Q/D</small> tizanidine (capsule) Zanaflex®	<p>CLINICAL CRITERIA (CC)</p> <p>For carisoprodol/codeine products:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limited to a total of 4 opioid prescriptions every 30 days; exemption for diagnosis of cancer or sickle cell disease • Medical necessity rationale for opioid therapy is required for patients on established opioid dependence therapy • PA required for initiation of opioid therapy in patients currently on benzodiazepine therapy • PA required for any codeine containing products in patients < 12 yrs <p>STEP THERAPY (ST)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trial with 1 preferred analgesic and 2 preferred skeletal muscle relaxants prior to use of carisoprodol containing products: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – carisoprodol – carisoprodol/ASA – carisoprodol/ASA/codeine – Soma® <p>FREQUENCY/QUANTITY/DURATION (F/Q/D)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maximum 84 cumulative units per a year • Carisoprodol – Maximum 4 units per day, 21-day supply • Carisoprodol combinations – Maximum 8 units per day, 21-day supply (not to exceed the 84 cumulative units per year limit)

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XII. Ophthalmics		
Alpha-2 Adrenergic Agonists (for Glaucoma) – Ophthalmic		
Alphagan P® 0.1% Alphagan P® 0.15% <small>BLTG</small> brimonidine 0.2% Simbrinza®	apraclonidine brimonidine P 0.15% lopidine®	
Antibiotics – Ophthalmic		
bacitracin / polymyxin B erythromycin gentamicin Natacyn® neomycin / gramicidin / polymyxin polymyxin / trimethoprim sulfacetamide (solution) tobramycin	Azasite® bacitracin Bleph®-10 neomycin / bacitracin / polymyxin Polytrim® sulfacetamide (ointment) Tobrex®	
Antibiotics/Steroid Combinations – Ophthalmic		
Blephamide® neomycin/ polymyxin / dexamethasone sulfacetamide / prednisolone TobraDex® ointment tobramycin / dexamethasone (suspension)	Maxitrol® neomycin / bacitracin / polymyxin / HC neomycin / polymyxin / HC Pred-G® TobraDex® ST TobraDex® suspension Zylet®	

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XII. Ophthalmics		
Antihistamines – Ophthalmic		
Pataday®	azelastine bepotastine (gen Bepreve®) Bepreve® epinastine ketotifen OTC Lastacaft® olopatadine 0.1% olopatadine 0.2% Zaditor® OTC Zerviate™	
Anti-inflammatories/Immunomodulators – Ophthalmic CC, F/Q/D		
Restasis® Restasis MultiDose® Xiidra®	Cequa®	<p>CLINICAL CRITERIA (CC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diagnosis documentation required to justify utilization as a first line agent or attempt treatment with an artificial tear, gel or ointment. <p>FREQUENCY/QUANTITY/DURATION (F/Q/D)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cequa®, Restasis®, Xiidra®: 60 vials dispensed as a 30-day supply; Restasis Multidose®: 5.5 mL dispensed as a 25-day supply
Beta Blockers – Ophthalmic		
betaxolol Betoptic S® carteolol Combigan® Istalol® levobunolol timolol maleate (gel, solution)	Betimol® Timoptic® Timoptic® Ocudose® Timoptic-XE®	

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Preferred Drugs	Non-Preferred Drugs	Prior Authorization/Coverage Parameters
XII. Ophthalmics		
Fluoroquinolones – Ophthalmic ST		
ciprofloxacin moxifloxacin ofloxacin	Besivance® Ciloxan® gatifloxacin levofloxacin Moxeza® Ocuflax® Vigamox® Zymaxid®	<p>STEP THERAPY (ST)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For patients 21 years or younger, attempt treatment with a non-fluoroquinolone ophthalmic antibiotic before progressing to a fluoroquinolone ophthalmic product Examples of Non-Fluoroquinolone Ophthalmic Antibiotics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AK-Poly-Bac eye ointment bacitracin-polymyxin eye ointment erythromycin eye ointment Gentak® (3 mg/gm eye ointment, 3 mg/mL eye drops) gentamicin (3 mg/gm eye ointment, 3 mg/mL eye drops) neomycin-polymyxin-gramicidin eye drops polymyxin B-TMP eye drops Romycin® eye ointment sulfacetamide 10% eye drops Sulfamide® 10% eye drops tobramycin 0.3% eye drops Tobrasol™ 0.3% eye drops
Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatory Drugs (NSAIDS) – Ophthalmic		
diclofenac flurbiprofen Ilevro® ketorolac	Acular® Acular LS® Acuvail® bromfenac BromSite® Nevanac® Prolensa®	

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XII. Ophthalmics		
Prostaglandin Agonists – Ophthalmic		
latanoprost	bimatoprost Lumigan® Rocklatan™ Travatan Z® travoprost (generic for Travatan Z®) Xalatan® Xelprost™ Vyzulta™ Zioptan®	

Preferred Drugs	Non-Preferred Drugs	Prior Authorization/Coverage Parameters
XIII. Otics		
Fluoroquinolones – Otic		
Cipro HC® Ciprodex® <small>BLTG</small> ofloxacin	Ciprofloxacin ciprofloxacin/dexamethasone (generic for Ciprodex®) ciprofloxacin/fluocinolone (generic for Otovel™) Otovel™	

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XIV. Renal and Genitourinary		
Alpha Reductase Inhibitors for BPH		
finasteride	Avodart® dutasteride dutasteride / tamsulosin Jalyn® Proscar®	
Antihyperuricemics		
allopurinol colchicine (tablet) probenecid probenecid/colchicine	colchicine (capsule) Colcrys febuxostat Gloperba® Mitigare® Uloric® Zyloprim®	
Cystine Depleting Agents ^{CC}		
Cystagon®	Procysbi® ST	<p>CLINICAL CRITERIA (CC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirm diagnosis of FDA-approved or compendia-supported indication <p>STEP THERAPY (ST)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires a trial with Cystagon immediate-release capsules
Phosphate Binders/Regulators		
calcium acetate Renagel® ^{1, BLTG} Renvela® tablets ^{1, BLTG}	Auryxia™ Fosrenol® lanthanum carbonate Phoslyra® sevelamer carbonate powder and tablets ² (generic for Renvela) sevelamer HCl (generic for Renagel) Velphoro®	

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XIV. Renal and Genitourinary		
Selective Alpha Adrenergic Blockers		
alfuzosin tamsulosin	Flomax® Rapaflo® silodosin	
Urinary Tract Antispasmodics		
oxybutynin solifenacina Toviaz® <small>DO</small>	darifenacin Detrol® Detrol LA® <small>DO</small> Ditropan XL® flavoxate Gelnique® Gemtesa® Myrbetriq® <small>DO</small> Myrbetriq® solution <small>F/Q/D</small> oxybutynin ER <small>DO</small> Oxytrol® tolterodine tolterodine ER trospium trospium ER Vesicare® <small>DO</small>	<p>DOSE OPTIMIZATION (DO)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Dose Optimization Chart for affected strengths <p>FREQUENCY/QUANTITY/DURATION (F/Q/D)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Myrbetriq® solution; limited to a 30-day supply

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XV. Respiratory		
Anticholinergics / COPD Agents		
Anoro Ellipta® ¹ Atrovent HFA® Bevespi® Aerosphere® Combivent Respimat® ipratropium ipratropium / albuterol Spiriva® Stiolto Respimat® Tudorza Pressair®	Breztri™ Aerosphere Daliresp® Duaklir® Pressair Incruse Ellipta® Lonhala® Magnair® Seebri Neohaler® Spiriva Respimat® Trelegy Ellipta® Utibron Neohaler® Yupelri®	
Antihistamines – Intranasal		
azelastine olopatadine	Patanase®	
Antihistamines – Second Generation		
cetirizine OTC (tablet) cetirizine OTC (syrup/solution 1mg/ 1mL) fexofenadine OTC (suspension) levocetirizine (tablet) loratadine OTC	cetirizine OTC (chewable) cetirizine OTC (syrup/solution 5 mg/5 mL) cetirizine-D OTC Clarinex® ^{CC} Clarinex-D® OTC desloratadine fexofenadine OTC (tablet) levocetirizine (solution) loratadine-D OTC	CLINICAL CRITERIA (CC) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No prior authorization required for patients less than 24 months of age

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Beta2 Adrenergic Agents – Inhaled Long-Acting <small>CC, F/Q/D</small>																						
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Corticosteroids – Inhaled F/Q/D																																						
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Advair Diskus® BLTG Dulera® Symbicort® BLTG	Advair HFA® AirDuo® Digihaler® AirDuo™ RespiClick® Breo Ellipta® budesonide/formoterol (generic for Symbicort) fluticasone-salmeterol (generic for AirDuo™ RespiClick®) fluticasone-salmeterol (generic for Advair Diskus®)	<p>CLINICAL CRITERIA (CC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PA is required for all new long-acting beta agonist prescriptions for beneficiaries under FDA-or compendia-supported age as indicated: <table border="1"> <tr><td>Advair Diskus®</td><td>≥ 4 years</td></tr> <tr><td>Advair HFA®</td><td>≥ 12 years</td></tr> <tr><td>AirDuo™ RespiClick® & Digihaler®</td><td>> 12 years</td></tr> <tr><td>Breo Ellipta®</td><td>≥ 18 years</td></tr> <tr><td>Dulera® 100 mcg and 200 mcg</td><td>≥ 12 years</td></tr> <tr><td>Dulera® 50 mcg</td><td>≥ 5 years</td></tr> <tr><td>fluticasone-salmeterol</td><td>> 12 years</td></tr> <tr><td>Symbicort® 80/4.5 mcg</td><td>≥ 6 years</td></tr> <tr><td>Symbicort® 160/4.5 mcg</td><td>≥ 12 years</td></tr> </table> <p>FREQUENCY/QUANTITY/DURATION (F/Q/D)</p> <table border="1"> <tr><td>Advair Diskus®</td><td rowspan="7" style="vertical-align: middle; text-align: center;">One inhaler/diskus every 30 days</td></tr> <tr><td>Advair HFA®</td></tr> <tr><td>AirDuo™ RespiClick® & Digihaler®</td></tr> <tr><td>Breo Ellipta™</td></tr> <tr><td>Dulera®</td></tr> <tr><td>fluticasone-salmeterol</td></tr> <tr><td>Symbicort®</td></tr> </table>	Advair Diskus®	≥ 4 years	Advair HFA®	≥ 12 years	AirDuo™ RespiClick® & Digihaler®	> 12 years	Breo Ellipta®	≥ 18 years	Dulera® 100 mcg and 200 mcg	≥ 12 years	Dulera® 50 mcg	≥ 5 years	fluticasone-salmeterol	> 12 years	Symbicort® 80/4.5 mcg	≥ 6 years	Symbicort® 160/4.5 mcg	≥ 12 years	Advair Diskus®	One inhaler/diskus every 30 days	Advair HFA®	AirDuo™ RespiClick® & Digihaler®	Breo Ellipta™	Dulera®	fluticasone-salmeterol	Symbicort®
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fluticasone	Beconase AQ® <small>CC</small> Dymista® flunisolide mometasone Nasonex® Omnaris® QNASL® <small>CC</small> Xhance™ Zetonna®	<p>CLINICAL CRITERIA (CC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clinical consideration in regard to drug interactions will be given to patients with HIV/AIDS diagnosis or antiretroviral therapy in history <p>FREQUENCY/QUANTITY/DURATION (F/Q/D)</p> <table border="1"> <tbody> <tr> <td>flunisolide</td> <td>1 inhaler every 12 days</td> </tr> <tr> <td>mometasone</td> <td>1 inhaler every 15 days</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nasonex®</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Xhance™</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Beconase AQ®</td> <td>1 inhaler every 22 days</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dymista™</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>fluticasone</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Omnaris®</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>QNASL®</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Zetonna™</td> <td>1 inhaler every 30 days</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	flunisolide	1 inhaler every 12 days	mometasone	1 inhaler every 15 days	Nasonex®		Xhance™		Beconase AQ®	1 inhaler every 22 days	Dymista™		fluticasone		Omnaris®		QNASL®		Zetonna™	1 inhaler every 30 days
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XV. Respiratory		
		<p>QUANTITY LIMITS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dupixent® 200 mg or 300 mg, 4 syringes for first 30 days followed by 2 syringes/30 days. Fasenra® 30 mg, 1 syringe or autoinjector/4 weeks Nucala® 100 mg, 3 syringes, vials or autoinjectors/4 weeks Xolair® 75 mg, 2 syringes/4 weeks, 150 mg, 8 syringes or vials/4 weeks
Leukotriene Modifiers		
montelukast (tablets, chew tabs) ST	Accolate® montelukast (granules) Singulair® ST zafirlukast	<p>STEP THERAPY (ST)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For non-asthmatic patients, trial of intranasal corticosteroid or a 2nd generation oral antihistamine before montelukast (Singulair®)

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XVI. Medication Assisted Treatment Agents		
Opioid Antagonists		
naloxone (syringe, vial) naltrexone Narcan® (nasal spray)	Kloxxado™	
Opioid Dependence Agents – Injectable		
Vivitrol® Sublocade™	None	
Opioid Dependence Agents – Oral/Transmucosal CC, F/Q/D		
buprenorphine buprenorphine / naloxone (tablet)‡ Suboxone® (film) ^{BLTG}	buprenorphine / naloxone (film) Zubsolv®	<p>CLINICAL CRITERIA (CC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PA required for initiation of opioid therapy for patients on established opioid dependence therapy <p>QUANTITY LIMIT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> buprenorphine sublingual (SL): Six tablets dispensed as a 2-day supply; not to exceed 24 mg per day buprenorphine/ naloxone tablet and film (Suboxone®, Zubsolv® up to 5.7 mg/1.4 mg strength); Three sublingual tablets or films per day; maximum of 90 tablets or films dispensed as a 30-day supply, not to exceed 24 mg-6 mg of Suboxone, or its equivalent per day buprenorphine/naloxone tablet (Zubsolv® 8.6 mg/2.1 mg strength): Maximum of 60 tablets dispensed as a 30-day supply buprenorphine/naloxone tablet (Zubsolv® 11.4 mg/2.9 mg strength): Maximum of 30 tablets dispensed as a 30-day supply

‡NOTE: Effective date of change is 10/01/2021

NYS Medicaid Fee-For-Service Clinical Drug Review Program (CDRP)

The Clinical Drug Review Program (CDRP) is aimed at ensuring specific drugs are utilized in a medically appropriate manner.

Under the CDRP, certain drugs require prior authorization because there may be specific safety issues, public health concerns, the potential for fraud and abuse or the potential for significant overuse and misuse.

Prior Authorization

Prior authorization for some drugs subject to the CDRP must be obtained through a representative at the clinical call center. For some drugs subject to the CDRP, only prescribers, not their authorized agents, can initiate the prior authorization process.

Please be prepared to respond to a series of questions that identify prescriber, patient, and reason for prescribing drug, and to fax clinical documentation upon request. Clinical guidelines for the CDRP as well as prior authorization worksheets are available online at https://newyork.fhsc.com/providers/CDRP_about.asp.

The following drugs are subject to the Clinical Drug Review Program:

- [fentanyl mucosal agents](https://newyork.fhsc.com/providers/CDRP_fentanyl_mucosal_agents.asp): https://newyork.fhsc.com/providers/CDRP_fentanyl_mucosal_agents.asp
- [palivizumab \(Synagis®\)](https://newyork.fhsc.com/providers/CDRP_synagis.asp): https://newyork.fhsc.com/providers/CDRP_synagis.asp
- [sodium oxybate products \(Xyrem®, Xywav™\)](https://newyork.fhsc.com/providers/CDRP_xyrem.asp): https://newyork.fhsc.com/providers/CDRP_xyrem.asp
- [somatropin \(Serostim®\)](https://newyork.fhsc.com/providers/CDRP_serostim.asp): https://newyork.fhsc.com/providers/CDRP_serostim.asp

The following drug classes are subject to the Clinical Drug Review Program and are also included on the Preferred Drug List:

- [Anabolic Steroids](https://newyork.fhsc.com/providers/CDRP_anabolic_steroids.asp): https://newyork.fhsc.com/providers/CDRP_anabolic_steroids.asp
- [Growth Hormones for 18 years and older](https://newyork.fhsc.com/providers/CDRP_growth_hormones.asp): https://newyork.fhsc.com/providers/CDRP_growth_hormones.asp

NYS Medicaid Fee-For-Service Drug Utilization Review (DUR) Program

Frequency/Quantity/Duration (F/Q/D) Program and Step Therapy parameters are implemented to ensure clinically appropriate and cost effective use of these drugs and drug classes.

For additional Step Therapy and Frequency/Quantity/Duration parameters for drugs and drug classes that are also included on the Preferred Drug List (PDL), please see pages 3 through 60.

Drug / Class Name	Step Therapy (ST) Parameters	Frequency / Quantity / Duration (F/Q/D) Parameters	Additional / Alternate Parameter(s)
Acthar® (ACTH injectable)	<p>Requires trial of first-line therapy for all FDA-approved indications, other than infantile spasms.</p> <p>Note: Acthar is first line therapy for infantile spasms in children less than 2 years of age – step therapy not required.</p>	<p>QUANTITY LIMITS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Infantile spasms – 30 mL (six 5 mL vials) • Multiple sclerosis – 35 mL (seven 5 mL vials) <p>DURATION LIMITS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Infantile spasms – 4 weeks; indicated for < 2 years of age • Multiple sclerosis – 5 weeks • Rheumatic disorders – 5 weeks • Dermatologic conditions – 5 weeks • Allergic states (serum sickness) – 5 weeks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirm diagnosis of FDA-approved or compendia-supported indication • Not covered for diagnostic purposes

Drug / Class Name	Step Therapy (ST) Parameters	Frequency / Quantity / Duration (F/Q/D) Parameters	Additional / Alternate Parameter(s)
Acthar® (ACTH injectable) <i>continued</i>		FDA Indication	First line Therapy
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multiple Sclerosis (MS) exacerbations • Polymyositis/ dermatomyositis • Idiopathic nephrotic syndrome • Systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE) • Nephrotic syndrome due to SLE • Rheumatic disorders (specifically: psoriatic arthritis, rheumatoid arthritis, juvenile rheumatoid arthritis, ankylosing spondylitis) • Dermatologic diseases (specifically Stevens-Johnson syndrome and erythema multiforme) • Allergic states (specifically serum sickness) • Ophthalmic diseases (keratitis, iritis, iridocyclitis, diffuse posterior uveitis/choroiditis, optic neuritis, chorioretinitis, anterior segment inflammation) • Respiratory diseases (systemic sarcoidosis) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corticosteroid or plasmapheresis • Corticosteroid • ACE Inhibitor, diuretic, corticosteroid (and for refractory patients: an immunosuppressive) • Corticosteroid, antimalarial, or cytotoxic/immunosuppressive agent • Immunosuppressive, corticosteroid, or ACE Inhibitor • Corticosteroid, topical retinoid, biologic disease-modifying antirheumatic drugs (DMARD), non-biologic DMARD, or a non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug (NSAID) • Corticosteroid or analgesic • Topical or oral corticosteroid, antihistamine, or NSAID • Analgesic, anti-infective agent, and agents to reduce inflammation, such as NSAIDs and steroids • Oral corticosteroid or an immunosuppressive.

Drug / Class Name	Step Therapy (ST) Parameters	Frequency / Quantity / Duration (F/Q/D) Parameters	Additional / Alternate Parameter(s)
Anabolic Steroids – Injectable <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Depo-Testosterone® • testosterone cypionate* • testosterone enanthate • Xyosterd® 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limitations for anabolic steroid products is based on approved FDA labeled daily dosing and documented diagnosis not to exceed a 90-day supply (30-day supply for oxandrolone): 	*for additional parameters, see Cross-Sex Hormones section below.
Anabolic Steroids – Oral <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anadrol-50® • Android® • Jatenzo® • Methitest® • oxandrolone • Testred® 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Xyosterd® is limited to no more than 3 boxes for 90 days (1 box per 30 days) • Initial duration limit of 3 months (for all products except oxandrolone), requiring documented follow-up monitoring for response and/or adverse effects before continuing treatment • Duration limit of 6 months for delayed puberty • Duration limit of 1 month for all uses of oxandrolone products 	
Anti-Diabetic agents (not on the PDL) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • chlorpropamide • glimepiride • glipizide (Glucotrol®, Glucotrol XL®) • glyburide (Glynase®) • glyburide, micronized • tolazamide • tolbutamide 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requires a trial with metformin with or without insulin prior to initiating other antidiabetic agents, unless there is a documented contraindication. • Clinical editing to allow patients with a diagnosis of gestational diabetes to receive glyburide without a trial of metformin first. 		

Drug / Class Name	Step Therapy (ST) Parameters	Frequency / Quantity / Duration (F/Q/D) Parameters	Additional / Alternate Parameter(s)
Anti-Diarrheal Agents <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • alosetron (Lotronex®) • crofelemer (Mytesi®) • eluxadoline (Viberzi®) • telotristat (Xermelo®) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Irritable Bowel Syndrome w/Diarrhea <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Trial of eluxadoline and rifaximin prior to alosetron. • Symptomatic relief of non-infectious diarrhea in patients with HIV/AIDS on anti-retroviral therapy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Trial with an alternative anti-diarrheal agent. • Carcinoid Syndrome <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Trial with and concurrent use with a somatostatin analog 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirmation of FDA-approved or compendia-supported indication.
Anti-Fungals, Topical – for Onychomycosis <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ciclopirox 8% solution • Jublia® • tavaborole (Kerydin®) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trial with an oral antifungal agent* prior to use of ciclopirox 8% solution <p>*terbinafine (Lamisil®) tablets; griseofulvin (Gris PEG®) oral suspension, ultramicrogranulated tablets; micronized tablets; itraconazole (Sporanox®,) tablets, oral solution</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trial with ciclopirox 8% solution prior to the use of other topical antifungals [efinaconazole (Jublia®) or tavaborole (Kerydin®)] 		
Anti-Malaria chloroquine hydroxychloroquine			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirm FDA approved or Compendia supported use

Drug / Class Name	Step Therapy (ST) Parameters	Frequency / Quantity / Duration (F/Q/D) Parameters	Additional / Alternate Parameter(s)
Anti-Retroviral (ARV) Interventions		QUANTITY LIMITS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limit ARV active ingredient duplication Limit ARV utilization to a maximum of five products concurrently - excluding boosting with ritonavir (dose limit 600 mg or less) or cobicistat Limit Protease Inhibitor utilization to a maximum of two products concurrently Limit Integrase inhibitor utilization to a maximum of one product concurrently 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Require confirmation of FDA-approved or compendia-supported use Point-of-service edit for antiretroviral / non-antiretroviral combinations to be avoided: https://newyork.fhsc.com/downloads/providers/NYRx_PDP_reference_Antiretroviral_NonAntiretroviral_Drug2Drug_Interactions.pdf Point-of-service edit for antiretroviral / antiretroviral combinations to be avoided: https://newyork.fhsc.com/downloads/providers/NYRx_PDP_reference_Antiretroviral_Antiretroviral_Drug2Drug_Interactions.pdf
biotin			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirm diagnosis of FDA-approved or compendia-supported indication
Atopic Dermatitis Agents crisaborole (Eucrisa®) ruxolitinib (Opzelura™)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trial with a medium or high potency prescription topical steroid within the last 3 months 	QUANTITY LIMITS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 100 GM/30 days (crisaborole) 240 GM/30 days (ruxolitinib) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirm diagnosis of FDA-approved or compendia-supported indication ruxolitinib: age 12 years +

Drug / Class Name	Step Therapy (ST) Parameters	Frequency / Quantity / Duration (F/Q/D) Parameters	Additional / Alternate Parameter(s)
Benzodiazepine agents – oral <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • alprazolam (Niravam™, Xanax®, Xanax® XR) • chlordiazepoxide (Librium®) • chlordiazepoxide/amitriptyline (Limbital®) • clonazepam (Klonopin®) • clorazepate (Tranxene®, Tranxene T-Tab®) • diazepam (Valium®) • lorazepam (Ativan®, Lorazepam Intensol®, Loreev XR™) • oxazepam 	Generalized Anxiety Disorder (GAD) or Social Anxiety Disorder (SAD) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Require trial with a Selective-Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitor (SSRI) or a Serotonin-Norepinephrine Reuptake Inhibitor (SNRI) prior to initial benzodiazepine prescription • Panic Disorder requires concurrent therapy with an antidepressant (SSRI, SNRI, or Tricyclic antidepressant [TCA]). Skeletal muscle spasms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Require trial with a skeletal muscle relaxant prior to a benzodiazepine 	DURATION LIMIT: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For Insomnia: 30 consecutive days • For Panic Disorder: 30 consecutive days 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Require confirmation of FDA-approved or compendia-supported use • PA required for initiation of benzodiazepine therapy in patients currently on opioid or oral buprenorphine therapy • PA required for any additional oral benzodiazepine prescription in patients currently on benzodiazepine therapy
Constipation Agents <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • linaclotide (Linzess®) • lubiprostone (Amitiza®) • methylnaltrexone (Relistor®) • naldemedine (Symproic®) • naloxegol (Movantik®) • plecanatide (Trulance®) • prucalopride (Motegrity™) • tegaserod (Zelnorm™) 	Opioid Induced Constipation (OIC) and Chronic Idiopathic Constipation (CIC) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trial with an osmotic laxative, a stimulant laxative and a stool softener prior to use. Irritable Bowel Syndrome w/ Constipation (IBS-C) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trial with a bulking agent and an osmotic laxative within 89 days of use. 	QUANTITY LIMIT: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • linaclotide, naldemedine, naloxegol, plecanatide: 1 tablet/day; 30 tablets/month • lubiprostone: 2 capsules/day; 60 capsules/month • methylnaltrexone: 1 vial or syringe/day; 30/month; 4 kits/28 days; 90 tablets/30 days • prucalopride: 2 mg/day max; 1 tablet per day; 30/month. • If CrCl < 30 mL/min, then reduce dose to 1 mg/day max; 1 tablet per day; 30/month. • tegaserod: 2 tablets/day; 60 tabs/30 days 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirmation of FDA-approved or compendia-supported indication.

Drug / Class Name	Step Therapy (ST) Parameters	Frequency / Quantity / Duration (F/Q/D) Parameters	Additional / Alternate Parameter(s)
Cross-Sex Hormones <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • conjugated estrogens estradiol • testosterone cypionate • testosterone enanthate (XyosteTM) • testosterone gel 1.62% (Androge[®])* • testosterone patch* 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirm diagnosis of FDA-approved or compendia-supported indication • For diagnosis of gender dysphoria please refer to July 2020 edition of the Medicaid Update: https://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/program/update/2020/no12_2020-07.htm#transgender
*Subject to Anabolic Steroids – Topical PDL class criteria			
Cystic fibrosis agents <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ivacaftor (Kalydeco[®]) • ivacaftor / lumacaftor (Orkambi[®]) • ivacaftor / tezacaftor (Symdeko[®]) • ivacaftor/ tezacaftor / elexacaftor (Trikafta[™]) 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirm diagnosis of FDA-approved or compendia-supported indication • Genetic testing required to verify appropriate mutations
dextromethorphan / quinidine (Nuedexta [®])		QUANTITY LIMIT: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 capsules per day; 60 units per 30 days DURATION LIMIT: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 90 days of therapy 	For patients ≥ 18 years of age: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirm diagnosis of FDA-approved or compendia-supported indication
Diabetic Test Strips		QUANTITY LIMIT: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type I DM – max 300 test strips per 30-day supply • Type II DM – max 100 test strips per 30-day supply 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preferred diabetic supply program https://newyork.fhsc.com/providers/diabeticsupplies.asp

Drug / Class Name	Step Therapy (ST) Parameters	Frequency / Quantity / Duration (F/Q/D) Parameters	Additional / Alternate Parameter(s)
dronabinol (Marinol®)	<p>Step therapy for beneficiaries with HIV/AIDS, or cancer, AND eating disorder:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trial with megestrol acetate suspension prior to dronabinol <p>Step therapy for beneficiaries with diagnosis of cancer and nausea/vomiting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trial with a NYS Medicaid-preferred 5-HT3 receptor antagonist prior to dronabinol 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirm diagnosis of FDA-approved or compendia-supported indication
Fentanyl Transmucosal Agents <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Actiq® (lozenge) • Fentora® (buccal tablet) 		<p>QUANTITY LIMIT: Actiq®, Fentora®:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 units per day, 120 units per 30 days <p>DURATION LIMIT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 90 days • Exemption for diagnosis of cancer, sickle cell disease, or hospice care 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limited to a total of 4 opioid prescriptions every 30 days; • For opioid-naïve patients: limited to a 7 days' supply for all initial opioid prescriptions, • PA required for use if > 90 MME (MME = morphine milligram equivalents) of opioid per day for management of non-acute pain (pain lasting > 7 days). • PA required for initiation of opioid therapy for patients on established opioid dependence therapy • PA is required for initiation of opioid therapy in patients currently on benzodiazepine therapy • Exemption for diagnosis of cancer, sickle cell, or hospice care

Drug / Class Name	Step Therapy (ST) Parameters	Frequency / Quantity / Duration (F/Q/D) Parameters	Additional / Alternate Parameter(s)
HIV PrEP (Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis Agents): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ emtricitabine/tenofovir disoproxil fumarate (Truvada®) ▪ emtricitabine/tenofovir alafenamide (Descovy®) 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prescribers or authorized agents are required to respond to a series of questions that identify the prescriber, the patient and the reason for prescribing an HIV-1 PrEP agent. • Prescribers or authorized agents must indicate whether the HIV-1 PrEP agent has been prescribed for HIV pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) or treatment of HIV/AIDS. If the agent has been prescribed for prophylaxis, the date of last negative HIV test must also be provided.
Ivermectin (oral)			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirm diagnosis of FDA-approved or compendia-supported indication
Lidocaine patches <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lidoderm® • ZTLido™ 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prescribers, or their authorized agents, are required to respond to a series of questions that identify the prescriber, the patient and the reason for prescribing this drug. • Prescriptions can be written for a 30-day supply with up to 2 refills

Drug / Class Name	Step Therapy (ST) Parameters	Frequency / Quantity / Duration (F/Q/D) Parameters	Additional / Alternate Parameter(s)
<p>Lipid Lowering Agents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • alirocumab (Praluent®) • evolocumab (Repatha®) • lomitapide (Juxtapid®) • bempedoic acid (Nexletol™) • bempedoic acid/ezetimibe (Nexlizet™) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Require trial of a HMG-CoA Reductase Inhibitors (statin) at maximum tolerated dosage 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirm diagnosis of FDA-approved or compendia-supported indication <p>PCSK-9 Inhibitors (alirocumab [Praluent®], evolocumab [Repatha®]) and ACL inhibitors (Bempedoic acid [Nexletol], Bempedoic acid/ezetimibe [Nexlizet]):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Require concurrent statin therapy
Methadone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requires a trial of a long-acting opioid prior to initiation for the management of chronic non-cancer pain 	<p>QUANTITY LIMIT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 units per day, 360 units per 30 days • Exemption for diagnosis of cancer, hospice care, or sickle cell disease 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirm diagnosis of chronic non-cancer pain • Limited to a total of 4 opioid prescriptions every 30 days; • PA required for initiation of methadone for patients on established opioid dependence therapy • PA required for methadone prescriptions for patients currently on long-acting opioid therapy. • PA required for initiation of long-acting opioid therapy in opioid-naïve patients. • PA required for use if > 90 MME (MME = morphine milligram equivalents) of opioid per day for management of non-acute pain (pain lasting > 7 days). PA required for initiation of methadone therapy in patients currently on benzodiazepine therapy • Exemption for diagnosis of cancer, sickle cell, or hospice care

Drug / Class Name	Step Therapy (ST) Parameters	Frequency / Quantity / Duration (F/Q/D) Parameters	Additional / Alternate Parameter(s)
Metoclopramide (tablet, ODT) Metoclopramide nasal spray (Gimoti™)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ODT formulation requires a trial with conventional tablet except with a diagnosis of diabetes mellitus 	Quantity Limit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tablet and ODT 4units per day, 120 units per 30 days Nasal spray 4 sprays per day, 1 bottle (9.8ml) per 4 weeks Duration Limit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tablet, ODT tablet 90days Nasal spray 8 weeks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Metoclopramide nasal spray confirm diagnosis of diabetes
metreleptin (Myalept®)			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirm diagnosis of FDA-approved or compendia-supported indication
olanzapine / fluoxetine (Symbax®)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> When prescribing for the treatment of major depressive disorder (MDD) in the absence of other psychiatric comorbidities, trial with at least one different antidepressant agent is required 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PA is required for the initial prescription for beneficiaries younger than 10 years
Oral Pollen/Allergen Extracts <ul style="list-style-type: none">Oralair®	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trial with a preferred intranasal corticosteroid 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirm diagnosis for the FDA-approved indication of Pollen-induced allergic rhinitis confirmed by positive skin or in vitro testing for pollen-specific IgE antibodies
Ovulation Enhancing Drugs <ul style="list-style-type: none">bromocriptineclomipheneletrozoletamoxifen			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirm diagnosis of FDA-approved or compendia-supported indication and Medicaid covered indication Refer to https://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/program/update/2019/2019-06.htm#ovulation

Drug / Class Name	Step Therapy (ST) Parameters	Frequency / Quantity / Duration (F/Q/D) Parameters	Additional / Alternate Parameter(s)
Oxazolidinone Antibiotics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ linezolid (Zyvox®) ▪ tedizolid (Sivextro®) 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please be prepared to respond to a series of questions that identify the prescriber, the patient and the reason for prescribing this drug. • Please be prepared to fax clinical documentation upon request.
Pubertal Suppressants <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • goserelin acetate • leuprolide acetate • nafarelin acetate 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirm diagnosis of FDA-approved or compendia-supported indication • Refer to https://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/program/update/2017/2017-01.htm#transgender for Transgender Related Care and Services Update
Pulmonary Fibrosis Agents <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ofev® • Esbriet® 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirm diagnosis of FDA-approved or compendia-supported indication
pyrimethamine (Daraprim®)			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirmation of FDA-approved or compendia-supported indications • Require concurrent utilization of leucovorin
quinine		QUANTITY AND DURATION LIMITS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maximum 42 capsules as a 7-day supply; limited to 1 prescription per year 	

Drug / Class Name	Step Therapy (ST) Parameters	Frequency / Quantity / Duration (F/Q/D) Parameters	Additional / Alternate Parameter(s)
Rosacea Agents <ul style="list-style-type: none">• azelaic acid (Finacea®)• brimonidine (Mirvaso®)• ivermectin (Soolantra®)• oxymetazoline HCl (Rhofade®)• minocycline (Zilxi™)• doxycycline (Oracea®)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Trial with topical metronidazole product.		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Confirmation of FDA-approved or compendia-supported indication
tasimelteon (Hetlioz®)		QUANTITY LIMIT: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• One unit per day; 30 units per 30 days	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Confirm diagnosis of FDA-approved or compendia-supported indication
Parathyroid Hormone Analogs <ul style="list-style-type: none">• teriparatide (Forteo®)• Tymlos®	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Requires a trial with a preferred oral bisphosphonate	QUANTITY LIMIT: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• One unit per 30-day period LIFETIME QUANTITY LIMIT: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 25 months' cumulative use of a PTH analog	
Topical Compounded Prescriptions			<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Confirm diagnosis of FDA-approved or compendia-supported indication• For non-opioid pain management alternatives please visit: https://health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/program/opioid_management/docs/non_opioid_alternatives_to_pain_management.pdf
Uterine Disorder Agents <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Oriahnn®• Myfembree®		QUANTITY LIMIT: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 28 days per 30-day period LIFETIME QUANTITY LIMIT: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 24 months cumulative use	

For more information on DUR Program, please refer to https://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/program/dur/index.htm.

NYS Medicaid Fee-For-Service Brand Less Than Generic (BLTG) Program

On April 26, 2010, New York Medicaid implemented a new cost containment initiative, which promotes the use of certain multi-source brand name drugs when the cost of the brand name drug is less expensive than the generic equivalent.

In conformance with State Education Law, which intends that patients receive the lower cost alternative, brand name drugs included in this program:

- Do not require “Dispense as Written” (DAW) or “Brand Medically Necessary” on the prescription
- Have a generic copayment
- Are paid at the Brand Name Drug reimbursement rate or usual and customary price, whichever is lower (SMAC/FUL are not applied)
- Do not require a new prescription if the drug is removed from this program

Effective January 13, 2022:

- Afinitor® tablets will be **added** to the program
- Diclegis®, Focalin® XR, Humalog® vial, ProAir® HFA, and Tracleer™ tablets, will be **removed** from the program

List of Brand Name Drugs included in this program**		
Advair Diskus®	Depakote® Sprinkle	Retin-A® cream
Afinitor® tablets	Entocort EC®	Suboxone® film
Alphagan P® 0.15%	Exelon® patch	Symbicort®
Amitiza®	Firvanq®	Tecfidera®
Androgel® pump & packets	Humalog® U100 KwikPen	Tegretol® suspension
Apriso®	Kitabis® Pak	Xeloda®
Azopt™	Lialda®	Zovirax® cream
Bethkis®	Novolog® 100u/mL FlexPen	
Catapres-TTS®	Novolog® Mix 70/30 FlexPen	
CellCept® suspension	NuvaRing®	
Ciprodex®	Rapamune® solution	
Concerta®	Renagel®	
Copaxone® 20 mg SQ	Renvela® tablets	

**List is subject to change

Please keep in mind that drugs in this program may be subject to prior authorization requirements of other pharmacy programs; again promoting the use of the most cost-effective product.

IMPORTANT BILLING INFORMATION

- Pursuant to this program prescription claims submitted to the Medicaid program **do not require** the submission of Dispense as Written/Product Selection Code of '1'; **Pharmacies should submit DAW code 9** (Substitution Allowed by Prescriber but Plan Requests Brand). Pharmacies will receive a NCPDP reject response of "22" which means missing/invalid DAW code if other DAW codes are submitted. The only exception to this is DAW code 1 and "*Brand Medically Necessary*" on the prescription.
- For more information on the Brand Less Than Generic (BLTG) Program, please refer to https://newyork.fhsc.com/providers/bltgp_about.asp

NYS Medicaid Fee-For-Service Mandatory Generic Drug Program

State law excludes Medicaid coverage of brand name drugs that have a Federal Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved A-rated generic equivalent, unless a prior authorization is obtained.

Coverage parameters under the Preferred Drug Program (PDP), Clinical Drug Review Program (CDRP), and/or the Brand Less Than Generic (BLTG) Program are applicable for certain products subject to the Mandatory Generic Drug Program (MGDP), including exemptions (as listed below).

Prior Authorization Process

- Prescribers, or an agent of the prescriber, must call the prior authorization line at 1-877-309-9493 and respond to a series of questions that identify the prescriber, the patient and the reason for prescribing this drug. The Mandatory Generic Program Prescriber Worksheet and Instructions, located at https://newyork.fhsc.com/providers/MGDP_forms.asp, provide step-by-step assistance in completing the prior authorization process.
- The prescriber must write “DAW and Brand Medically Necessary” on the face of the prescription.
- The call line 1-877-309-9493 is in operation 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Exempt Drugs

- Based on specific characteristics of the drug and/or disease state generally treated, the following brand name drugs are exempt from the program and do NOT require PA:

Exempt Drugs	
Clozaril®	Neoral®
Dilantin®	Sandimmune®
Gengraf®	Tegretol®
Lanoxin®	Zarontin®
Levothyroxine Sodium (Unithroid®, Synthroid®, Levoxyl®)	

For more information on the Mandatory Generic Program, please refer to https://newyork.fhsc.com/providers/MGDP_about.asp.

NYS Medicaid Fee-For-Service Dose Optimization Program

On November 14, 2013, the Medicaid Fee-for-Service program instituted a Dose Optimization initiative. Dose optimization can reduce prescription costs by reducing the number of pills a patient needs to take each day. The Department has identified drugs to be included in this program, the majority of which have FDA approval for once-a-day dosing, have multiple strengths available in correlating increments at similar costs and are currently being utilized above the recommended dosing frequency. Prior authorization will be required to obtain the following medication beyond the following limits:

Dose Optimization Chart

Brand Name	Dose Optimization Limitations					
CARDIOVASCULAR						
Angiotensin Receptor Blockers (ARBs)						
Benicar® 20 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
Micardis® 20 mg, 40 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
Diovan® 40 mg, 80 mg, 160 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
Antiarrhythmics						
Amiodarone 100 mg	1 daily	Tablet	In case of dose titration for these medications, the department will allow for multiday dosing (up to 2 doses daily) for loading dose for 30 days			
ARBs/Calcium Channel Blockers						
Exforge® 5–160mg	1 daily	Tablet				
ARBs/Diuretics						
Benicar® HCT 20–12.5 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
Diovan® HCT 80–12.5 mg, 160–12.5 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
Edarbyclor® 40–12.5 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
Micardis® HCT 40–12.5 mg, 80–12.5 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
Beta Blockers						
Bystolic® 2.5 mg, 5 mg, 10 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
Coreg® CR 20 mg, 40 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
metoprolol succinate 25 mg, 50 mg, 100 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
nadolol 40 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
Toprol® XL 25 mg, 50 mg, 100 mg	1 daily	Tablet				

Brand Name	Dose Optimization Limitations					
CARDIOVASCULAR						
HMG Co A Reductase Inhibitors						
Crestor® 5 mg, 10 mg, 20 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
Niacin Derivatives						
Niaspan® 500 mg	1 daily	Tablet				

Brand Name	Dose Optimization Limitations					
CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM						
Anticonvulsants						
Aptiom® 200 mg, 400 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
Fycompa® 4 mg, 6 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
topiramate ER 100 mg	1 daily	Capsule				
Lamictal XR® 50 mg	1 daily	Tablet	In case of dose titration for these medications, the department will allow for multiday dosing (up to 2 doses daily) for titration purposes for 90 days			
Oxtellar XR® 300 mg	1 daily	Tablet	In case of dose titration for these medications, the department will allow for multiday dosing (up to 2 doses daily) for titration purposes for 90 days			
Anticonvulsants, Other						
Lyrica® 25 mg, 50 mg, 75 mg, 100 mg, 150 mg, 200 mg	3 daily	Tablet	Electronic bypass for diagnosis of seizure disorder identified in medical claims data. In case of dose titration for these medications, the department will allow for multiday dosing (up to 2 doses daily) for titration purposes for 3 months			
Lyrica® 225 mg and 300 mg	2 daily	Tablet				
Trokendi XR® 100 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
Antiparkinson Agents						
Azilect® 0.5 mg	1 daily	Tablet				

Brand Name	Dose Optimization Limitations					
CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM						
Antipsychotics – Second Generation						
Abilify® 2 mg	4 daily	Tablet	In case of dose titration for these medications, the Department will allow for multiday dosing (up to 2 doses/daily) for titration purposes for three months			
Abilify® 5 mg, 10 mg, 15 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
ariPIPrazole 5 mg, 10 mg, 15 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
Invega® 1.5 mg, 3 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
Latuda® 20 mg, 40 mg, 60 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
olanzapine 5 mg, 10 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
olanzapine ODT 5 mg, 10 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
paliperidone er 1.5 mg, 3 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
quetiapine fumarate er 200 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
Rexulti® 0.25 mg, 0.5 mg, 1 mg, 2 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
Seroquel® XR 150 mg, 200 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
Symbax® 3–25 mg, 6–25 mg, 12–25 mg	1 daily	Capsule				
Vraylar® 1.5 mg, 3 mg	1 daily	Capsule				
Zyprexa® Zydis 5 mg, 10 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
CNS Stimulants						
Adderall® XR 5 mg, 10 mg, 15 mg	1 daily	Capsule				
amphetamine salt combo ER 5 mg, 10 mg, 15 mg	1 daily	Capsule				
Concerta® ER 18 mg, 27 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
dexmethylphenidate ER 10 mg, 20 mg (Focalin XR generic)	1 daily	Capsule				
Focalin® XR 5 mg, 10 mg, 15 mg, 20 mg	1 daily	Capsule				
methylphenidate CD 10 mg, 20 mg	1 daily	Capsule				
methylphenidate er 18 mg (Concerta® generic)	1 daily	Tablet				
methylphenidate la 20 mg (Ritalin® LA generic)	1 daily	Capsule				
modafinil 100 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
Provigil® 100 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
QuilliChew® ER 20 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
Ritalin® LA 10 mg, 20 mg	1 daily	Capsule				
Vyvanse® 10 mg, 20 mg, 30 mg, 40 mg	1 daily	Capsule				

Brand Name	Dose Optimization Limitations					
CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM						
Other Agents for Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)						
guanfacine ER 1 mg, 2 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
atomoxetine 40 mg	1 daily	Capsule				
Intuniv® 1 mg, 2 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
Strattera® 40 mg	1 daily	Capsule				
Sedative Hypnotics						
Lunesta® 1 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
Serotonin-Norepinephrine Reuptake Inhibitors (SNRIs)						
Effexor® XR 37.5 mg, 75 mg	1 daily	Capsule	In the case of dose titration for these medications, the Department will allow for multiday dosing (up to 2 doses/daily) for titration purposes for three months.			
Pristiq® ER 50 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
venlafaxine ER 37.5 mg, 75 mg	1 daily	Capsule				
Selective Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitors (SSRIs)						
Lexapro® 5 mg, 10 mg	1 daily	Tablet	In the case of dose titration for these once daily medications, the Department will allow for multiday dosing (up to 2 doses/daily) for titration purposes for three months.			
Trintellix® 5 mg, 10 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
Viibryd® 10 mg, 20 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
Miscellaneous Antidepressants						
bupropion xl 150 mg	1 daily	Tablet	In case of dose titration for these medications, the Department will allow for multiday dosing (up to 2 doses/daily) for titration purposes for three months			
mirtazapine 7.5 mg	1 daily	Tablet				

Brand Name	Dose Optimization Limitations					
ENDOCRINE AND METABOLIC						
Biguanides						
metformin ER 500 mg (Glumetza ER, Fortamet ER generic)	1 daily	Tablet				
Dipeptidyl Peptidase-4 (DPP-4) Inhibitors						
Januvia® 25 mg, 50 mg	1 daily	Tablet				

Brand Name	Dose Optimization Limitations		
ENDOCRINE AND METABOLIC			
Onglyza® 2.5 mg	1 daily	Tablet	
Thiazolidinediones (TZDs)			
Actos® 15 mg	1 daily	Tablet	
Actoplus Met® XR 15–1000 mg	1 daily	Tablet	

Brand Name	Dose Optimization Limitations					
GASTROINTESTINAL						
Proton Pump Inhibitors						
Dexilant® 30 mg	1 daily	Capsule				
Nexium® 5 mg, 10 mg, 20 mg	1 daily	Packet				
Nexium® 20 mg	1 daily	Capsule				
Prevacid® DR 15 mg	1 daily	Capsule				

Brand Name	Dose Optimization Limitations					
HEMATOLOGICAL						
Anticoagulants - Oral						
Xarelto® 10 mg	1 daily	Capsule				

Brand Name	Dose Optimization Limitations					
RENAL AND GENITOURINARY						
Urinary Tract Antispasmodics						
Detrol® LA 2 mg	1 daily	Capsule				
Myrbetriq® 25 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
oxybutynin chloride ER 5 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
Toviaz® ER 4 mg	1 daily	Tablet				
VESIcare® 5 mg	1 daily	Tablet				

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To obtain a prior authorization (PA), please call the prior authorization Clinical Call Center at 1-877-309-9493. The Clinical Call Center is available 24 hours per day, 7 days per week with pharmacy technicians and pharmacists who will work with you, or your agent, to quickly obtain PA.

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