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Commercial and Other Pharmacy Program Updates Effective July 2019

On July 1, 2019, we will implement several changes to our pharmacy programs. The changes affect our preferred drug lists and medication guides, medications that require prior authorization, the Responsible Quantity Program, Responsible Steps and the Pharmacy Coverage Exclusions List. Changes are summarized below.

Preferred Drug List Changes and Medication Guides

Changes to our preferred drug lists, as well as a current list, are available at floridablue.com. Click on *Providers* (top of the page)>*Tools & Resources*> *Medical & Pharmacy Policies and Guidelines*> [Medication Guides](#).

Medications Requiring Prior Authorization

Prior authorization requirements for the following list of medications will change under the member's pharmacy benefits effective July 1, 2019. This applies only to members enrolled in plans that are part of the Prior Authorization Program. New-to-market drugs may still be under review for a coverage decision as a part of our New-to-Market Program.

Drugs Added to the Prior Authorization Program	
Drug	Covered Condition(s)*
Albendazole	FDA-approved indication(s)
Cablivi	FDA-approved indication(s)
Mavenclad	FDA-approved indication(s)
Mayzent	FDA-approved indication(s)
Mebendazole	FDA-approved indication(s)
Nivestym	FDA-approved indication(s)
Statins/Combinations. Advicor, Altoprev, Crestor, Flolipid, Lescol, Lescol XL, Lipitor, Liptruzet, Livalo, Mevacor, Pravachol, Simcor, Vytorin, Zocor, Zypitamag	FDA-approved indication(s)
Tiglutik	FDA-approved indication(s)
Triptans. Amerge, almotriptan generic, Axert, Frova, frovatriptan generic Imitrex, Maxalt, Maxalt MLT, Onzetra, Relpax, Treximet, Zembrace, Zomig	FDA-approved indication(s)
Zileuton ER	FDA-approved indication(s)

*Summary of criteria and additional information is available with our authorization forms.

Drugs Removed from the Prior Authorization Program

Testosterone enanthate	
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Responsible Quantity Program

We will add the following drugs and drug dispensing limits to the Responsible Quantity Program effective July 1, 2019. This applies only to members enrolled in health plans that are part of the Responsible Quantity Program. **Please note:** Responsible Quantity Program limits apply to generic drugs where applicable, and to members enrolled in health plans that are part of the Responsible Quantity Program.

Drugs Added to the Responsible Quantity Program

Brand/Generic Name	Strength	Dispensing Limit Per Month (unless noted otherwise)
Aemcolo	200 mg	6 tabs / 180 days
Alinia tabs	500mg	12 tabs / 90 days
Alinia suspension	100 mg / 5ml	300 ml / 90 days
Cleocin – T solution*	1% soln	120 ml
Spectazole*	1% cream	120 g
Gentamicin	0.1% cream	120 g
Nizoral*	2% cream	120 g
Topical corticosteroids* Aclovate, Ala Scalp, ApexiCon E, Aristocort, Aristocort HP, Bryhali, Capex, Clobex, Cloderm, Cordran, Cutivate, Cyclorcort, Derma-Smoothe, Dermatop, Desonate, DesOwen, Diprolene, Diprolene AF, Diprosone, Elocon, Florone, Halog, Hytone, Impoyz, Kenalog, Lexette, Lidex, Lidex-E, Locoid, Luxic Micort, Olux, Olux-E, Pandel, Psorcon, Sernivo, Synalar, Temovate, Texacort, Topicort, Trianex, Ultravate, Valisone, Vanos, Verdeso, Westcort	Various	One package size
Vancocin*	125mg	480 caps
Vancocin*	250mg	240 caps

*generic versions also included

Responsible Steps Program Changes

On July 1, 2019, we will make the following changes to the Responsible Steps Program. This applies only to members enrolled in health plans that are part of the Responsible Steps Program.

Program	Program Changes
Methotrexate Injectable	Addition of Otrexup and Rasuvo as targets
Rho Kinase Inhibitors	Rocklatan
Statins	Program retired

New Pharmacy Coverage Exclusions

Effective July 1, 2019, our commercial pharmacy plans will no longer cover the brand name drugs listed below. We will cover many of their generic alternatives. This exclusion list applies only to members enrolled in health plans that allow pharmacy coverage exclusions.

Drugs Added to Pharmacy Coverage Exclusion List		
Abilify Mycite	Acanya	Alphagan P 0.1%
Alvesco	amlodipine/atorvastatin	amphetamine sulfate (Evekeo)
Aptensio XR	Bryhali	chlordiazepoxide/clidinium
Cipro HC	colchicine (AG for Mitigare)	Daytrana
Doptelet	Dxevo	Dyanavel XR
flavoxate	Fluoxetine TABLETS	Inveltys
Levorphanol (3mg)	Lexette	meprobamate
methotrexate 2.5mg for RA	Minolira	Nascobal
Nesina	Nocdurna	Oseni
Pancreaze	phendimetrazine	PRENATAL VITAMINS listed
Pulmicort Flexhaler	pyridostigmine bromide syrup	Quillichew ER
Quillivant XR	Ranitidine CAPSULES	Rasuvo
Relistor	Relpax	Seysara
Solosec	Sympazan	Taperdex
Tirosint-sol	Tolsura	Toviaz
triazolam	Tudorza Pressair	Utibron Neohaler
venlafaxine ER tablets	Xelpros	Xyosted
Yupelri	Zenzedi	Zytiga brand
Prenatal Vitamins		
Azesco	OB Complete One	Select OB + DHA
Citranatal Assure	OB Complete Petite	Tristart DHA
Citranatal Bloom	OB Complete Premier	Tristart One
Citranatal DHA	Prefera OB One	Vitafol Gummies
Citranatal Harmony	Prenate	Vitafol Ultra

Duet DHA 400	Prenate AM	Vitafol Nano
Duet DHA Balanced	Prenate DHA	Vitafol OB
Enbrace HR	Prenate Elite	Vitafol OB+ DHA
Kosher Prenate Plus Iron	Prenate Enhance	Vitafol One
Natachew	Prenate Essential	Vitamed MD One Rx Quatre
Neevo DHA	Prenate Mini	Vitame MD Rx Redichew
Nestabs ABC	Prenate Pixie	Vitapearl
Nestabs DHA	Prenate Restore	Vitatrue
Nestabs One	Primacare	
OB Complete Gold	Select-OB	

Authorization Request Forms

Authorization request forms are available at floridablue.com. Click on *Providers* (top of the page), *Tools & Resources* and then *Medical & Pharmacy Policies and Guidelines*. You will see a list of programs and authorization forms.

Verify Eligibility and Benefits on Availity

As a reminder, you can verify your patients' eligibility and pharmacy benefits through Availity^{®1} at availity.com. If you have questions about your patients' Florida Blue benefits or these pharmacy updates, please call the Provider Contact Center at **800-727-2227**.

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