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The Commissioner for Office of Vermont Health Access shall establish a pharmacy best practices and cost control progrom designed to reduce the cost of providing prescription drugs, while maintaining high quality in prescription drug therapies. The program shall include:
"A preferred list of covered prescription drugs that identifies preferred choices within therapeutic classes for particular diseases and conditions, including generic alternatives"
From Act 127 passed in 2002

The following pages contain:

- The therapeutic classes of drugs subject to the Preffered Drug List, the drugs within those categories and the criteria required for Prior Authorization (P.A.) of non-preferred drugs in those categories.
- The therapeutic classes of drugs which have clinical criteria for Prior Authorization may or may not be subject to a preferred agent.
- Within both of these categories there may be drugs or even drug classes that are subject to Quantity Limit Parameters.

Therapeutic class criteria are listed alphabetically. Within each category the Prefrred Drugs are noted in the left-hand columns. Representative non-preferred agents have been included and are listed in the right-hand column. Any drug not listed as preferred in any of the included categories requries Prior Authorization.

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ORAL AGENTS		
DOXYCYCLINE MONOHYDRATE 50MG, 100MG CAPS DOXYCYCLINE MONOHYDRATE SUSP 25MG/ML MINOCYCLINE 50MG, 75MG 100MG CAPS ISOTRETINOIN† cap (AMNESTEEM, CLARAVIS, MYORISAN)	Adoxa®* (doxycycline monohydrate) 150mg tab Doryx (doxycycline hyclate) tabs Doxycycline 50mg, 75mg, 100mg, 150mg tabs Doxycycline 75mg, 150mg caps Oracea® (doxycycline monohydrate) 40 mg cap Vibramycin®* (doxycycline hyclate) 100 mg cap Vibramycin®* (doxycycline hyclate) suspension Vibramycin® (doxycycline calcium) syrup All other brands Eryped® (erythromycin ethylsuccinate) Erythrocin (erythromycin stearate) PCE Dispertab® (erythromycin base) All other brands Minocycline 50mg, 75mg, 100mg tabs Solodyn® (minocycline) tabs ER E.E.S.® (erythromycin ethylsuccinate) Eryped® (erythromycin ethylsuccinate) ERY-TAB® (erythromycin base, delayed release) Erythrocin (erythromycin stearate) ERYTHROMYCIN BASE ERYTHROMYCIN ETHYLSUCCINATE (E.E.S. ®	**Non-preferred doxycycline/minocycline products:** patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with preferred doxycycline/minocycline. If a product has an AB rated generic, the trial must be the generic formulation. **Oracea:** patient has a diagnosis of Rosacea AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with both a preferred doxycycline and minocycline. **Vibramycin Suspension, Syrup:** patient has a medical necessity for a liquid dosage form AND a documented failure of preferred doxycycline suspension. **Erythromycin products:** patient has had a documented side effect or treatment failure with at least two preferred products. **Tetracycline products:** patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with at least two preferred products.. **Absorica/Zenatane:** patient has had a documented side effect, allergy,or treatment failure with at least two isotretinoin preferred products.

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	, Eryped®) PCE Dispertab® (erythromycin base) Tetracycline 250mg, 500mg cap Absorica® (isotretinoin) capsules Zenatane cap (isotrentinoin) All other brands	
TOPICAL ANTI-INFECTIVES		
BENZOYL PEROXIDE PRODUCTS BENZOYL PEROXIDE † 2.5%,5%, 10% *G*, *5%, 6%,7%, 10% CL;* 10%*C*; 5%, 10% *L*; 5.3%, 9.5% F CLINDAMYCIN PRODUCTS CLINDAMYCIN 1% *S, G, L, P,F* † ERYTHROMYCIN PRODUCTS ERYTHROMYCIN 2% *S, G, P* † SODIUM SULFACETAMIDE PRODUCTS COMBINATION PRODUCTS	Benzepro 5.3%, 9.8% F; 6% P; 7% CL PanoxylG; 10% B, 4% CL All other brands Cleocin-T®* (clindamycin) 1% S, P, L, G All other brands Erygel®* (erythromycin 2% G) All other brands Klaron®* (sodium sulfacetamide 10% L) SODIUM SULFACETAMIDE 10% *L*† All other brands Benzaclin® (clindamycin/benyoyl peroxide)	**Single ingredient products:** patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with two preferred products including one from the same sub-category, if there is one available. If a product has an AB rated generic, there must have been a trial of the generic. **Combination products:** patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with generic erythroymycin/benzoyl peroxide. (If a product has an AB rated generic, there must have been a trial of the generic.) AND patient has had a documented side effect or treatment failure on combination therapy with the separate generic ingredients of the requested combination product, if applicable. **Azelex:** the diagnosis or indication is acne AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with two generic topical anti-infective agents (benzoyl peroxide, clindamycin, erythromycin, erythroymcin/benzoyl peroxide,) **Limitations:** Kits with non-drug products are not covered **Onexton :** Prior authorization and be available to the few patients who are unable to tolerate or who have failed on preferred medications.

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ERYTHROMYCIN / BENZOYL PEROXIDE† OTHER *C=cream,CL=cleanser, E=emulsion, F=Foam, G=gel, L=lotion,O=ointment, P=pads, S=solution, W=wash, B=bar*	Azelex® (azelaic acid 20%C) DUAC® (clindamycin/benzoyl peroxide) gel Benzamycin®* (erythromycin/benzoyl peroxide) Onexton® (clindamycin/benzoyl peroxide) SODIUM SULFACETAMIDE / SULFUR *CL, C, P, E*,† SODIUM SULFACETAMIDE / SULFUR *W* † Sumaxin ® (sulfacetamide/sulfur*L,P,W*) Rosula®* (sulfacetamide/sulfur P, W) All other brands Aczone® (dapsone 5% G) All other brands any topical acne anti-infective medication	
TOPICAL - RETINOIDS		
TRETINOIN† *(specific criteria required for ages <10 or >34)* 0.025%, 0.05%, 0.1% *C*; 0.01%, 0.025% *G* AVITA® (tretinoin) Fabior® (tazarotene 0.1% F) TAZORAC® (tazarotene) 0.1% *C, G*	All brand tretinoin products (Atralin® 0.05% G, Retin-A®*, Retin-A Micro® 0.1%, 0.04%, etc.) Tretinoin microsphere† (compare to Retin-A Micro®) 0.1%, 0.04%	**Brand name tretinoin products and generic tretinoin microsphere:** diagnosis or indication is acne vulgaris, actinic keratosis, or rosacea AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with a preferred generic topical tretinoin product. If a product has an AB rated generic, the trial must be the generic formulation. **Differin** (brand) and adapalene (generic): diagnosis or indication is acne vulgaris, actinic keratosis, or rosacea AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with a preferred generic topical tretinoin product

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C= *cream*, G=*gel*	adapalene† (compare to Differin®) 0.1% C, G, 0.3% G Differin® (adapalene) 0.1% C, G; L 0.3% G Avage® (tazarotene) ♣ Renova® (tretinoin) ♣ Solage® (tretinoin/mequinol) ♣ Tri-Luma® (tretinoin/hydroquinone/fluocinolone) ♣ Veltin® (clindamycin/tretinoin) G ♣ Not indicated for acne. Coverage of topical retinoid products will not be approved for cosmetic use (wrinkles, age spots, etc.).	AND the request is for the brand product, the patient has had a documented intolerance to a generic adapalene product. **Tretinoin** (age < 10 or > 34): diagnosis or indication is acne vulgaris, actinic keratosis, or rosacea. **Limitations:** Coverage of topical retinoid products will not be approved for cosmetic use (wrinkles age spots, etc.) (i.e. Avage, Renova, Solage, Tri-Luma).
TOPICAL - ROSACEA		
Finacea® (azelaic acid) 15% *G* , F METRONIDAZOLE† 0.75% *C, G, L* *C=cream,F=Foam, G=gel, L=lotion*	All brand metronidazole products (MetroCream®* 0.75% *C*, Metrogel® 1% *G*, MetroLotion®* 0.75% *L*, Noritate® 1% *C* etc.) Metronidazole† 1% *G* Soolantra® (ivermectin)	**Brand name metronidazole products,** metronidazole 1% gel (generic) andSoolantra: diagnosis or indication is roacea AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with a preferred generic topical metronidazole product. If a product has an AB rated generic, there must have also been a trial of the generic formulation. **Limitations**: The use of Mirvaso (brimonidine topical gel) for treating skin redness is considered cosmetic. Medications used for cosmetic purposes are excluded from coverage. Mirvaso topical gel has not been shown to improve any other symptom of roacea (e.g. pustules, papules, flushing, etc) or to alter the course of the disease.
ADHD AND NARCOLEPSY CATAPLEXY MEDICATIONS		
SHORT/INTERMEDIATE ACTING		
Dexmethylphenidate † (compare to Focalin®)	Evekeo® (amphetamine sulfate)	**Focalin:** patient has a diagnosis of ADD, ADHD or narcolepsy AND patient has

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LONG ACTING		

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Methylphenidate Products **Oral** FOCALIN® XR (dexmethylphenidate SR 24 HR IR/ER, 50:50%) METHYLPHENIDATE SA OSM IR/ER, 22:78%† (compare to Concerta®) (authorized generic, labeler code 00591 is only preferred form) **Oral Suspension** QUILLIVANT XR® (methylphenidate IR/ER, 20:80%) (*QL = 12 ml/day)* **Transdermal** DAYTRANA® (methylphenidate patch) (*QL = 1 patch/day)* **Amphetamine Products** **Oral** ADDERALL XR® (amphetamine/dextroamphetamine SR 24 HR, IR/ER, 50:50%) DEXTROAMPHETAMINE 24 hr SR† (compare to Dexedrine CR®) VYVANSE® (lisdexamfetamine) *(QL = 1 cap/day)*	Aptensio®XR (methylphenidate DR 24HR IR/.ER, 40:60%) Concerta®* (methylphenidate SA OSM IR/ER, 22:78%) Dexmethylphenidate SR 24 HR IR/ER, 50:50% † (compare to Focalin XR®) Metadate CD® (methylphenidate CR, IR/ER, 30:70%) methylphenidate CR, IR/ER, 30:70% (compare to Metadate CD®) METHYLPHENIDATE SA OSM IR/ER, 22:78% (compare to Concerta®) (non-authorized generic forms) Methylphenidate SR 24 HR, IR/ER, 50:50%† (compare to Ritalin LA®) Ritalin LA® (methylphenidateSR 24 HR, IR/ER, 50:50%) Amphetamine/dextroamphetamine SR 24 HR, IR/ER, 50:50% † (compare to Adderall XR®) Dexedrine CR®* (dextroamphetamine 24 hr SR)	**Aptensio XR, Metadate CD, Ritalin LA, and Methylphenidate CR, Methylphenidate SR 24 HR:** patient has a diagnosis of ADD, ADHD or narcolepsy. AND patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization) OR patient has had a documented side-effect, allergy, or treatment failure on Focaline XR or Methylphenidate SR OSM. AND for approval of generic methylphenidate CR or methylphenidate SR 24 HR, the patient must have had a documented intolerance to the brand equivalent. **Concerta and non-authorized generic:** patient has a diagnosis of ADD, ADHD, or narcolepsy. AND patient has had a documented intolerance to authorized generic Methylphenidate SA OSM. **Dexedrine CR**: patient has a diagnosis of ADD, ADHD, or narcolepsy. AND patient has had a documented intolerance to the preferred generic equivalent. **Amphetamine/dextroamphetamine** SR 24 HR (generic) dexmethylphenidate SR 25 HR IR/ER (generic): patient has a diagnosis of ADD, ADHD, or narcolepsy. AND patient must have a documented intolerance to the brand name equivalent.

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MISCELLANEOUS		
Guanfacine ER (Intuniv®)	Modafinil (compare to Provigil®) **(not approvable for ADHD in children age ≤12)** ***(Max days supply = 30 days)*** *Qty limit: 100 mg = 1.5 tablets/day;200 mg = 2 tablets/day* *Maximum Daily Dose = 400 mg* Nuvigil® (armodafinil) *Qty limit: 50 mg = 2 tablets/day; 150 mg/200 mg/250 mg = 1 tablet/day* Provigil® (modafinil) ***(not approvable for ADHD in children age ≤12).*** *Qty limit: 100 mg = 1.5 tablets/day;200 mg = 2 tablets/day* *Maximum Daily Dose = 400 mg* ***(Max days supply = 30 days)*** Clonidine extended release †(compare to Kapvay®) *Qty limit = 4 tabs/day* Intuniv® (guanfacine extended release) Tablet *Qty limit = 1 tablet/day* Kapvay® (clonidine extended release) Tablet *Qty limit = 4 tablets/day* Strattera® (atomoxetine)	**Nuvigil®:** Narcolepsy, excessive sleepiness associated with obstructive sleep apnea/hypopnea syndrome (adjunct to standard treatment): The patient is > 17 years old AND The patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.) OR The patient has had a documented side-effect, allergy or treatment failure to a CNS stimulant or has a contraindication for use of these agents (e.g. substance abuse history). Nuvigil® will not be approved for sleepiness associated with shift work sleep disorder, idiopathic ypersomnolence, excessive daytime sleepiness, fatigue associated with use of narcotic analgesics, or for ADHD (for any age patient). **Provigil®, Modafinil**: Narcolepsy, Excessive sleepiness associated with obstructive sleep apnea/hypopnea syndrome (adjunct to standard treatment), fatigue associated with multiple sclerosis, fatigue associated with the treatment of depression or schizophrenia: The patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.)OR The patient has had a documented side-effect, allergy or treatment failure to a CNS stimulant or has a contraindication for use of these agents (e.g. substance abuse history) AND if the request is for modafinil, the patient has a documented intolerance to brand Provigil ADHD age >12: The patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.) OR The patient has a documented treatment failure, due to lack of efficacy, to two long-acting CNS stimulants or the patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or direct contraindication (e.g. comorbid tics, moderate -to-severe anxiety, substance abuse) to one Long -acting CNS stimulant. AND The patient has had a

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	Qty limit:10, 18, 25 and 40 mg = 2 capsules/day *60, 80 and 100 mg = 1 capsule/day* *FDA maximum recommended dose = 100 mg/day* Xyrem® (sodium oxybate) oral solution *Qty limit = 540 ml/30 days*	documented side-effect, allergy, or treatment failure to Strattera® AND And if the request is for modafinil, the patient has a documented intolerance to brand Provigil. **Provigil®/Modafinil** will not be approved for sleepiness associated with shift work sleep disorder, idiopathic hypersomnolence, excessive daytime sleepiness, fatigue associated with use of narcotic analgesics, or for ADHD in children age ≤12. **Intuniv:** patient has a documented intolerance to generic guanfacine ER **Kapvay, Clonidine ER:** patient has a diagnosis of ADD or ADHD. AND patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization). OR patient has a documented treatment failure, due to lack of efficacy, to 2 long-acting CNS stimulants (Metadate CD, Ritalin LA, Focalin XR, Adderall XR, Methylphenidate SA OSM, Vyvanse and Daytrana) OR patient has had a documented side-effect, allergy, or direct contraindication (e.g. comorbid tics, moderate-to-severe anxiety) to 1 long-acting CNS stimulante (Metadate CD, Ritalin LA, Focalin XR, Adderal XR, Methylphenidate SA OSM, Vyvanse or Daytrana) OR there is a question of substance abuse with the patient or family of the patient. AND the patient has been trialed on clonidine IR with at least a partial response but needs and extended duration formulation to maximize the clinical benefit. AND for approval of generic clonidine ER, patient must have had a documented intolerance to the brand equivalent. **Strattera:** patient has a diagnosis of ADD or ADHD. AND patients has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.) OR patient has a documented treatment failure, due to lack of efficacy, to 2 long-acing CNS stimulants (Metadate CD, Ritalin LA, Focalin XR, Adderall XR, Methylphenidate SA OSM, Vyvanse and Daytrana) OR patient has had a documented side ffect, allergy, or direct contraindication (e.g. comorbid tics, moderate-to-severe anxiety) to 1 long-acting CNS stimulant (Metadate CD, Ritalin LA, Focalin XR,

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		Adderall XR, Methylphenidate SA OSM, Vyvanse and Daytrana). OR there is a question of substance abuse with the patient or family of the patient OR family will choose to decline therapy if a stimulant must be trialed. OR patient's need for drug therapy is primarily in early AM and evenings in the home environment. **Limitations:** Kapvay dose pak not covered - prescribe multiple strengths individually.
ALLERGEN IMMUNOTHERAPY		
	Grastek® *(QL = 1 tablet/day)* Oralair® *(QL = 1 tablet/day)* Ragwitek® *(QL = 1 tablet/day)*	**Clinical Criteria** **All agents in class** • Prescriber must provide the testing to show that the patient is allergic to the components in the prescribed therapy and must provide a clinically valid rationale why single agent sublingual therapy is being chosen over subcutaneous therapy • Treatment must start 12 weeks before expected onset of pollen season and only after confirmed by positive skin test or in vitro testing for pollen-specific IgE antibodies for short ragweed pollen (Ragwitek), timothy grass or cross-reactive grass pollens (Grastek), or any of the 5 grass species contained in Oralair • Have an auto-injectable epinephrine on-hand **Grastek additional criteria:** • Patient age ≥5 years and ≤65 years **Oralair additional criteria:** • Patient age ≥10 years and ≤65 years

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		Ragwitek additional criteria: • Patient age ≥18 years and ≤65 years
ALPHA1-PROTEINASE INHIBITORS		
	Aralast NP® Glassia® Prolastin-C® Zemaira® **Maximum days supply per fill for all drugs is 14 days**	**Criteria for Approval:** The indication for use is treatment of alpha1 -proteinase inhibitor deficiency-associated lung disease when all of the following criteria are met: Patient's alpha1 -antitrypsin (ATT) concentration < 80 mg per dl [or < 11 micromolar] AND patient has obstructive lung disease as defined by a forced expiratory volume in one second (FEV1) OF 30 - 65% of predicted or a rapid decline in lung function defined as a change in FEV1 of > 120 mL/year. AND medication is being administered intravenously (inhalation administration will not be approved) AND patient is a non-smoker OR patient meets above criteria except lung function has deteriorated beneath above limits while on therapy.
ALZHEIMER'S MEDICATIONS		
CHOLINESTERASE INHIBITORS		
DONEPEZIL† (compare to Aricept®) tablet *(QL = 1 tablet/day)* EXELON® (rivastigmine) Capsule *(QL = 2 capsules/day)* **SOLUTION**	Aricept® (donepezil) Tablet *(QL = 1 tablet/day)* galantamine† tablet § (compare to Razadyne®) Tablet galantamine ER† capsule § (compare to Razadyne ER®) Razadyne® (galantamine) Tablet Razadyne ER® (galantamine) Capsule rivastigmine† (compare to Exelon®) capsule	**Galantamine Tablet, Galantamine ER Capsule, Razadyne Tablet, Razadyne ER Capsule:** diagnosis or indication for the reqeusted medication is Alzheimer's disease. AND patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization) OR patient had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure to donepezil and Exelon. AND if the product has an AB rated generic, the patient has a documented intolerance to the generic. **Aricept:** diagnosis or indication for the requested medication is Alzheimer's disease. AND the patient has a documented intolerance to the generic product.

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EXELON® (rivastigmine) Oral Solution **TRANSDERMAL** EXELON® (rivastigmine transdermal) Patch *(QL = 1 patch/day)*	*(QL = 2 capsules/day)* Aricept® ODT (donepezil) *(QL = 1 tablet/day)* Donepezil ODT † (compare to Aricept® ODT) *(QL = 1 tablet/day)* galantamine† (compare to Razadyne®) Oral Solution Razadyne® (galantamine) Oral Solution	**Galantamine Oral Solution, Razadyne Oral Solution:** diagnosis or indication for the requested medication is Alzheimer's disease. AND patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization) OR the patient had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure to Exelon Oral Solution. AND if the product has an AB rated generic, the patient has a documented intolerance to the generic. **Aricept ODT, Donepezil ODT:** diagnosis or indication for the requested medication is Alzheimer's disease. AND medical necessity for a specialty dosage form has been provided. AND if the request is for donepezil ODT, the patient has a documented intolerance to the brand product. **Rivastigmine Oral Capsule:** diagnosis or indication for the requestedc medication is Alzheimer's disease. AND patient has a documented intolerance to the brand Exelon product.
NMDA RECEPTOR ANTAGONIST		
NAMENDA® (memantine) Tablet NAMENDA® XR (memantine ER) Oral Capsule *(QL = 1 capsule/day)* NAMENDA® (memantine) Oral Solution		
CHOLINESTERASE INHIBITOR/NMDA COMBINATION		
	Namzaric® (donepezil/memantine) Capsule (QL = 1 capsule/day)	**Namzaric:** Clinically compelling reason why the individual ingredients of donepezil and Namenda cannot be used
COX-2 INHIBITORS		
Clinical PA Required CELECOXIB† *(QL = 2 caps/day)*	Celebrex® (celecoxib) *(QL = 2 capsules/day)*	**Celebrex:** patient does not have a history of a sulfonamide allergy. AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to two or more

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		preferred generic NSAIDS and has had a previous trial of generic celecoxib. OR patient is not a candidate for therapy with a preferred generic NSAID due to one of the following: patient is 60 years of age or older, patietns has a history of GI bleed and has had a previous trial of generic celecoxib,patient is currently taking an antigoagulant (warfarin or heparin) and has had a previous trial of generic celecoxib, Patient is currently taking an oral corticosteroid and has had a previous trial of generic celecoxib, and Patient is currently taking methotrexate and has had a previous trial of generic celecoxib.
ANALGESICS		
MISCELLANEOUS: TRANSDERMAL PATCH		
Note: Please refer to "Analgesics: Long Acting Narcotics" for Duragesic® and fentanyl patch	Lidocaine 5% patch† (compare to Lidoderm®) *(QL = 3 patches/day)* Lidoderm® Patch (lidocaine 5 %) *(QL = 3 patches/day)* Qutenza® Patch (capsaicin 8 %) (*QL =4 patches/90 days)* (Note: Please refer to Analgesics: COX IIs and NSAID s for topical NSAIDS)	**Lidoderm, Lidocaine Patch:** diagnosis or indication is neuropathis pain/post-herpetic neuralgia AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure or contraindication to 2 drugs in the tricyclic antidepressant (TCA) class and/or anticonvulsant class AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure or contraindication to Lyrica, OR patient has a medical necesssity for a transdermal formulation (ex. dysphagia, inability to take oral medications), AND if the request is for generic lidocaine patch, the patient has had a documented intolerance to the brand product. **Qutenza:** diagnosis or indication is post-herpetic neuralgia AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure or contraindication to 2 drugs in the tricyclic antidepressant (TCA) class and/or anticonvulsant class AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure or contraindication to Lyrica AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy treatment failure or contraindication to Lidoderm OR patient has a medical necessity for transdermal formulation (ex. dysphagia, inability to take oral medications) AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure or contraindication to Lidoderm.

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OPIOIDS: SHORT ACTING		
ACETAMINOPHEN W/CODEINE† (compare to Tylenol® w/codeine) ACETAMINOPHEN W/HYDROCODONE† (compare to Vicodin®, Lorcet®, Maxidone®, Norco®, Zydone®) *(QL 5/500 = 8 tablets/day, 10/500 = 8 tablets/day, 7.5/750 = 5 tablets/day)* ACETAMINOPHEN W/OXYCODONE† (compare to Percocet®) *(QL 10/650 = 6 tablets/day)* ASPIRIN W/CODEINE† ASPIRIN W/OXYCODONE† (compare to Percodan®) BUTALBITAL COMP. W/CODEINE† (compare to Fiorinal® w/codeine) CODEINE SULFATE† DIHYDROCODEINE COMPOUND† (compare to Synalgos-DC®) ENDOCET® (oxycodone w/ acetaminophen)	Abstral® (fentanyl) Sublingual Tablets Acetaminophen w/codeine: *all branded products* Acetaminophen w/hydrocodone: *all branded products* *(QL 5/500 = 8 tablets/day, 10/500 = 8 tablets/day, 7.5/750 = 5 tablets/day)* Acetaminophen w/hydrocodone (compare to Xodol®) *(QL=13 tablets/day)* Acetaminophen w/oxycodone: *all branded products* *(QL 10/650 = 6 tablets/day)* Actiq® (fentanyl lozenge on a stick: 200 mcg, 400 mcg, 600 mcg, 800 mcg, 1200 mcg, 1600 mcg) Anexsia®* (acetaminophen w/hydrocodone) Butorphanol Nasal Spray† (Qty Limit = 2 bottles/month) Capital® w/codeine* (acetaminophen w/codeine) Cocet® /Cocet Plus® (acetaminophen w/codeine) *(QL 30/650 or 60/650 = 6 tablets/day)* Combunox®* (oxycodone w/ ibuprofen) Demerol* (meperidine) Dilaudid®*(hydromorphone) tablets	**Butorphanol Nasal Spray:** documented site effect, allergy, treatment failure, or contraindation to codeine, hydrocodone, morphine, & oxycodone (all 4 generic entities) as single or combination products. OR is unable to use tablet or liquid formulations. **Abstral, Actiq, fentanyl transmucosal, Fentora, Lazanda, Subsys:** indication of cancer breakthrough pain AND patient is opioid tolerant AND is on a long acting opioid formulation AND is 18 years of age or older (Actiq 16 years of age or older) AND prescriber is registered in the Transmucosal Immediate Release Fentanyl (TIRF) Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategy (REMS) Access program AND member has had a documented treatment failure with or intolerance to 2 of the following 3 immmediate release tratment options: morphine, hydromorphone or oxycodone. OR is unable to use tablet or liquid formulations AND if the request is for brand name Actiq, member has a documented intolerance to generic fentanyl transmucosal. **Dilaudid - 5 Oral Solution, Hydromorphone Oral Solution:** member has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with oxycodone oral soluction and morphoine oral solution OR has been started and stabilized on another dosage form of hydromophone AND if the request is for the branded product, patient has a documented intolerance to the generic product.Nucynta, Opana, Oxymorphone: member has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failuire to at least two of the following 3 immediate release generic short acting narcotic analgesics - morphine, hydromorphone, or oxycode AND if the request if for brand Opana, member has a documented intolerance to generic oxymorphone. **Oxycodone (generic) Capsules:** member has a documented intolerance to generic

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ENDODAN® (oxycodone w/ aspirin) HYDROCODONE† (plain, w/acetaminophen, or w/ibuprofen) (some excpetions apply) HYDROMORPHONE† tablets (compare to Dilaudid®) *First fill limited to 14 days' supply* *(Qty limit = 16 tablets/day)* MEPERIDINE† (compare to Demerol®) (30 tabs or 5 day supply) MORPHINE SULFATE† MORPHINE SULFATE† (compare to Roxanol®) OXYCODONE† (plain) *First fill limited to 14 days' supply* *(For tablets, Qty limit = 12 tablets/day)* OXYCODONE† (w/acetaminophen or w/ibuprofen) ROXICET® (oxycodone w/ acetaminophen) TRAMADOL† (compare to Ultram®) *(Qty Limit = 8 tablets/day) (Age ≥ 16)* TRAMADOL/APAP† (compare to Ultracet®) *(Qty Limit = 8 tablets/day)* (Age ≥18) ZAMICET† (Hydrocodone-Acetaminophen Soln 10-325 Mg/15ml)	*First fill limited to 14 days' supply* *(Qty limit = 16 tablets/day)* Dilaudid-5®(hydromorphone) oral solution *First fill limited to 14 days' supply* fentanyl citrate transmucosal† (compare to Actiq®) Fentora® (fentanyl citrate buccal tablets) Fioricet® w/codeine*(butalbital/acetaminophen/caffeine/codeine) Hydrocodone-Acetaminophen Soln 10-325 Mg/15ml Hydromorphone† oral soln (compare to Dilaudid-5®) *First fill limited to 14 days' supply* Ibudone®* (hydrocodone w/ ibuprofen) Lazanda® (fentanyl) Nasal Spray Liquicet® (hydrocodone w/ acetaminophen) Lorcet®* (also HD, PLUS) (hydrocodone w/ acetaminophen) Lortab®*(hydrocodone w/ acetaminophen) Magnacet® (oxycodone w/ acetaminophen) Maxidone®*(hydrocodone w/ acetaminophen) Meperidine† (Qty > 30 tabs or 5 day supply) Norco®*(hydrocodone w/ acetaminophen) Nucynta® (tapentadol) Opana® (oxymorphone) Oxycodone† (plain) capsules First fill limited to 14 days' supply	oxycodone tablets. **Oxecta:** prescriber provides a clinically valid rationale why the generic immediate release oxycodone cannot be used AND member has a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to at least 2 other preferred short acting narcotic analgesics. NOTE: a history of substance abuse does not warrant approval of Oxeta (oxycodone IR) since a clear advantage of this product over preferred short acting opioids in this population has not been established. **Ultram, Ultracet:** member has a documented intolerance to the generic formulation **Rybix ODT:** member has a medical necessity for a disintegrating tablet formulation (i.e. swallowing disorder) **Xartemis XR:** diagnosis is acute pain AND member has a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to at least 2 short acting opioids not requiring prior approval, one of which is oxycodone w/ apap AND prescriber must provide a compelling clinical reason why an extended release product is required for treatment of acute pain. **Other Short acting Opioids:** member has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to at least 2 medications not requiring prior approval. (If a product has an AB rated generic, one trial must be the generic) **PA Requests to Exceed QL for Oxycodone IR or Hydromophone IR:** if dose consolidation is not possible (i.e. use of higher strength dosage form), all requests will be referred to the DVHA Medical Director for review unless the medication is being prescribed for pain related to an oncology diagnosis which will be approved by the Clinical Call Center. **Limitations:** APAP containing products: daily doses that result in > 4 grams of apap/day will reject for PA; Meperidine 75mg/ml injuction no longer available - 25mg/ml, 50mg/ml and 100mg/ml available. Brand name Demerol 75mg/ml and 100mg/2ml not covered - no generic equivalents. Roxicodone (oxycodone) tablets not covered - product does not offer Federal rebate.

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	(Qty limit = 12 capsules/day) Oxymorphone† (compare to Opana®) Panlor DC® (acetaminophen/caffeine/dihydrocodeine) Pentazocine w/acetaminophen† Pentazocine w/naloxone† Percocet®*(oxycodone w/ acetaminophen) Percodan®* (oxycodone w/aspirin) Reprexain®* (hydrocodone w/ ibuprofen) Roxanol®*(morphine sulfate) Rybix® ODT (tramadol ODT) (Qty Limit = 8 tablets/day) Subsys® (fentanyl) Sublingual Spray Synalgos DC®*(dihydrocodeine compound) Talwin®* (pentazocine) and branded combinations Trezix® (acetaminophen/caffeine/dihydrocodeine) Tylenol® #3*,#4*(acetaminophen w/codeine) Tylox®*(oxycodone w/ acetaminophen) Ultracet® (tramadol w/ acetaminophen) (Qty Limit = 8 tablets/day) Ultram®* (tramadol) (Qty Limit = 8 tablets/day) Vicodin®*(hydrocodone w/acetaminophen) Vicoprofen®*(hydrocodone w/ ibuprofen) Xartemis XR® (oxycodone w/acetamimophen) (Qty Limit = 4 tablets/day) Xodol® (hydrocodone w/acetaminophen) Xolox® (oxycodone w/ acetaminophen) Zydone®*(hydrocodone w/acetaminophen)	
OPIOIDS: LONG ACTING		

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TRANSDERMAL Butrans (buphrenorphine) Transdermal System *(QL = 2 patches/14 days) (Maximum 14 day fill)* **Fentanyl** FENTANYL PATCH† (compare to Duragesic®) 12 mcg/hr, 25 mcg/hr, 50 mcg/hr (*QL=15 patches/30 days)* FENTANYL PATCH† (compare to Duragesic®) 75 mcg/hr, 100 mcg/hr (*QL=30 patches/30 days)* **ORAL** Buprenorphine All products require PA. Hydromorphone All products require PA. Methadone All products require PA **Morphine** MORPHINE SULFATE CR 12 hr† tablet (compare to MS Contin®, formerly Oramorph SR®) (*QL=90 tablets/strength/30 days)* Embeda® (morphine sulfate/naltrexone hydrochloride) Capsules *(QL=2 capsules/day)*	Duragesic®* (fentanyl patch) 12 mcg/hr, 25 mcg/hr, 50 mcg/hr (QL=15 patches/30 days) Duragesic®* (fentanyl patch) 75 mcg/hr, 100 mcg/hr (QL= 30 patches/30 days) Exalgo® (hydromorphone XR) tablet (*QL= 30 tablets/30 days (8 mg, 12 mg, 16 mg tabs), 60 tablets/30 days (32 mg tabs)* hydromorphone XR† (compare to Exalgo®) tablet *(QL= 30 tablets/30 days (8 mg, 12 mg, 16 mg tabs))* Dolophine® (methadone) tablets Methadone† (compare to Dolophine®) 5 mg, 10 mg tablets Methadone† oral solution 1 mg/ml (no PA required for patient less than 1 year old) Methadone† oral concentrate 10 mg/ml ****Maximum initial daily dose all products = 30 mg/day**** Avinza® (morphine sulfate beads SR 24hr) Capsules *(QL= 30 capsules/strength/30 days)* Kadian® (morphine sulfate XR*) (QL= 60*	**CLINICAL CONSIDERATIONS:** Long acting opioid dosage forms are intended for use in opioid tolerant patients only. These tablet/capsule/topical medication strengths may cause fatal respiratory depression when administered to patients not previously exposed to opioids. LA opioids should be prescribed for patients with a diagnosis or condition that requires a continuous, around-the-clock analgesic. LA opiods should be reserved for use in patients for whom alternative treatment options (e.g., non-opioid analgesics or immediate-release opioids) are ineffective, not tolerated, or would be otherwise inadequate to provide sufficient management of pain. LA opiods are NOT intended for use as 'prn' analgesic. LA opioids are NOT indicated for pain in the immedate post-operative period (the first 12-24 hours following surgery) or if the pain is mild, or not expected to persist for an extended perioid of time. LA opioids are not intended to be used in a dosage frequency other than FDA approved regimens. Patients should not be using other etended release opioids prescribed by another physician. Prescribers should consult the VPMS (Vermont Prescription Monitoring System) to review a patient's Schedule II - IV medication use before prescribing long acting opioids. **Brand Duragesic Fentanyl Patches:** patient has a diagnosis of severe pain that requires daily, around-the-clock, long-term treatment and for which alternative treatment options are inadequate AND the patient has had a documented intolerance to generic fentanyl patches. **Methadone Tablet:** Patient has a diagnosis of severe pain that requires daily, around-the-clock, long-term opioid treatment and for which alternative treatment options are inadequate. (Note: Methadone products, when used for treatment of opioid addiction in detoxification or maintenance programs, shall be dispensed ONLY by certified opioid treatment programs as stipulated in 42 CFR 8.12, NOT retail pharmacy) AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to morphine sulfate CR 12 hr tablets AND the initial methadone daily dose does not exceed 30mg AND for approval of brand Dolophine tablets, the patient must have a documented intolerance to the equivalent generic tablet. **Methadone Liquid:** patient has a diagnosis of severe pain that requires daily,

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Tramadol **All products require PA.**	*capsules/strength/30 days)* MS Contin®* (morphine sulfate CR 12 hr) Tablets *(QL=90 tablets/strength/30 days)* Morphine sulfate SR 24hr† capsule (compare to Kadian®) *(QL= 60 capsules/strength/30 days)* Morphine sulfate SR beads 24hr† capsule (compare to Avinza®) *(QL= 30 capsules/strength/30 days)* Oxycodone ER† (compare to OxyContin®) *(QL= 90 tablets/strength/30 days)* OxyContin® (Oxycodone ER) *(QL= 90 tablets/strength/30 days)* Opana ER® (oxymorphone ER) (crush resistant) *(QL=60 tablets/strength/30 days)* Oxymorphone ER *(QL=60 tablets/strength/30 days)* Nucynta ER® (tapentadol ER) *(QL=2 tablets/day)* Conzip® (tramadol ER biphasic release) Capsule *(QL = 1 capsule/day)* Tramadol SR† (compare to Ultram ER®) *(Qty Limit = 1 tablet/day)* Tramadol ER biphasic-release® Capsule *(Qty Limit = 1 capsule/day)(150 mg strength)* Tramadol ER biphasic-release† tablet (formerly Ryzolt®) *(Qty Limit = 1 tablet/day)*	around-the-clock, long-term opioid treatment and for which alternative treatment options are inadequate. (Note: Methadone products, when used for treatment of opioid addiction in detoxification or maintenance programs, shall be dispensed ONLY by certified opioid treatment programs as stipulated in 42 CFR 8.12, NOT retail pharmacy) AND the patient has been started and stabilized on the requested oral liquid medication OR patient has a diagnosis of severe pain that requires daily, around-the-clock, long-term opioid treatment and for which alternative treatment options are inadequate. (Note: Methadone products, when used for treatment of opioid addiction in detoxification or maintenance programs, shall be dispensed ONLY by certified opioid treatment programs as stipulated in 42 CFR 8.12, NOT retail pharmacy) AND the initial methadone daily dose does not exceed 30mg AND the patient must have a medical necessity for an oral liquid (i.e. swallowing disorder, inability to take oral medications). **Conzip, Tramadol ER biphasic-release Capsule, Tramadol ER biphasic-release Tablet, Tramadol ER/SR, Ultram ER:** member has had a documented treatment failure to a preferred short-acting tramadol product. In addition, for approval of tramadol ER biphasic-release capsule or tablet or Ultram ER, the patient must have a documented intolerance to generic tramadol ER/SR. **Oral Non-Preferred (except methadone & tramadol containing products):** patient has a diagnosis of severe pain that requires daily, around-the-clock, long-term opioid treatment and for which alternative treatment options are inadequate AND the patient has had a documentd side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to morphine sulfate CR 12hr tablet (generic) AND generaic fentanyl patch. (If a product has an AB rated generic, there must have been a trial of the generic). NOTE: A history of substance abuse does not warrant approval of Opana ER (crush resistant) since a clear advantage of this product over preferred long-acting opioids in this population has not been established. **Hysingla ER/Zohydro ER:** Available with PA for those unable to tolerate any preferred medications. All requests will go to the DVHA Medical Director for approval. **Limitations:** Methadone 40mg dispersible tablet not approved for retail dispensing.

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Hydrocodone **All products require PA.**	Ultram ER® (tramadol SR 24 hr) *(Qty Limit = 1 tablet/day)* Hysingla ER® w/abuse deterrent properties (hydrocodone bitartrate) *(Qty Limit = 1 tablet/ day)* Zohydro ER® (hydrocodone bitartrate)	Methadone 2mg/ml oral solution not covered - use 1mg/ml generic oral solution. Opana ER (crush resistant): a history of substance abuse does not warrant approval of Opana ER (crush resistant) since a clear advantage of this product over preferred long-acting opioids in this population has not been established.
NSAIDS		
ORAL **SINGLE AGENT** ADVIL DICLOFENAC POTASSIUM† (compare to Cataflam®) DICLOFENAC SODIUM† (compare to Voltaren®) ETODOLAC† (formerly Lodine®) ETODOLAC ER† FLURBIPROFEN† (compare to Ansaid®) IBUPROFEN† (compare to Motrin®) INDOMETHACIN†(formerly Indocin®, Indocin SR®) INDOMETHACIN ER†	Anaprox®* (naproxen sodium) Anaprox DS®* (naproxen sodium) Ansaid®* (flurbriprofen) Cambia® (diclofenac potassium) packet for oral solution *(QL = 9 packets/month))* Cataflam®* (diclofenac potassium) Daypro®* (oxaprozin) EC-Naprosyn® * (naproxen sodium enteric coated) Feldene®* (piroxicam) Fenoprofen† 600 mg tab (formerly Nalfon®) Indocin®* (indomethacin) suspension , supp mefenamic acid† capsules (compare to Ponstel®) meloxicam suspension	**Arthrotec, diclofenac/misoprostol, Duexis:** patient has a documented side effect or treatment failure to 2 or more preferred genreic NSAIDs OR patient is nto a candidate for therapy with a preferred generic NSAID mono-therapy due to one of the following: patiens is 60 years of age or older, Patient has a history of GI bleed, Patient is currently taking an oral corticosteroid, Patient is currently taking methotrexate AND patient is unable to take the individual components separately AND if the request is for brand Arthrotec, the patien has a documented intolerance to the generic equivilant. **Cambia:** drug is being prescribed for treatment of acute migraine attacks AND patietn has had a documented side effect or treatment failure to 2 or more preferred generic NSAIDs, one of which must be generic diclofenac OR drug is being prescribed for treatment of acute migraine attacks AND patient has a requirement for an oral liquid dosage form (i.e. swallowing disorder, inability to take oral medications) AND patient has had a documented side effect or treatmetn failure with the generic ibuprofen suspension and the generic naproxen suspension. **Flector Patch, Pennsaid, Diclofenac 1.5% Topical Solution:** diagnosis or

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KETOPROFEN† KETOPROFEN ER† KETOROLAC† (formerly Toradol®) *(QL = 20 doses/5 day supply every 90 days)* MECLOFENAMATE SODIUM† (formerly Meclomen®) MELOXICAM† tabs (compare to Mobic®) NABUMETONE† (formerly Relafen®) NAPROXEN† (compare to Naprosyn®) NAPROXEN ENTERIC COATED† (compare to EC-Naprosyn®) NAPROXEN SODIUM† (compare to Anaprox®, Anaprox DS®, Naprelan®) OXAPROZIN† (compare to Daypro®) PIROXICAM† (compare to Feldene®) SULINDAC† (compare to Clinoril®) TOLMETIN SODIUM† (formerly Tolectin®) **INJECTABLE** KETOROLAC † Injection (formerly Toradol®) *(QL = 1 dose per fill)* **NASAL SPRAY**	Mobic® (meloxicam) suspension Mobic®* (meloxicam) tablets Nalfon® (fenoprofen) 400 mg capsules Naprelan®* (naproxen sodium) Naprosyn®* (naproxen sodium) Ponstel® (mefenamic acid) Tivorbex (indomethacin) capsules (QL=3 caps/day) Voltaren XR®* (diclofenac sodium SR) Zipsor® (diclofenac potassium) Zorvolex® (diclofenac) Capsules *(QL = 3 capsules/day)* Sprix® (ketorolac) Nasal Spray *(QL = 5 bottles/5 days – once every 90 days)* diclofenac† (compare to Pennsaid®) 1.5 % Topical Solution Flector® (diclofenac) 1.3 % Patch *(QL = 2 patches/day)* Pennsaid® (diclofenac) 1.5 % or 2% Topical Solution Voltaren® (diclofenac) 1 % Gel Arthrotec® (diclofenac sodium w/misoprostol) diclofenac sodium w/misoprostol† (compare to	indication is osteoarthritis or acute pain caused by minor strains, sprains, and contusions AND patient has had a documented side effect or inadequate response to Voltaren gel OR patient is not a candidate for therapy with a preferred generic NSAID due to one of the following: Patient is 60 years of age or older, Patient has a history of GI bleed, Patient is currently taking an oral corticosteroid, Patient is currently taking methotrexate OR patient has a documented medical necessity for a topical/transdermal formulation (ex. dysphagia, inability to take oral medicaions), AND for approval of Pennsaid 1.5%, the patient has had a documented intolerance to the generic equivalent. **Sprix:** indication or diagnosis is moderate to moderately severe pain. AND patient has had a documented inadequate response or intolerance to generic ketorolac tablets. OR patient has a documented medical necessity for the specialty dosage form (i.e. inability to take medication orally (NPO)). **Tivorbex:** patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to 4 or more preferred generic NSAIDs, including generic indomethacin. **Voltaren Gel:** diagnosis or indication is osteoarthritis or acute pain caused by minor strains, sprains, and contusions. AND patient has had a documetned side effect or treatment failure with at least 2 preferred generic NSAIDs. OR patient is not a candidate for therapy with a preferred generis NSAID due to one of the following: Patient is 60 years of age or older, Patient has a history of GI bleed, Patient is currently taking an oral corticosteroid, Patient is currently taking methotrexate OR patient has a documented medical necessity for a topical/transdermal formulation (ex. dysphagia, inability to take oral medication) **Vimovo:** patient has had a documented side effect or treatment failure to 2 or moer preferred generic NSAIDs OR patient is not a candidate for therapy with a preferred generis NSAID due to one of the following: Patient is 60 years of age or older, Patient has a history of GI bleed, Patient is currently taking an oral corticosteroid, Patient is currently taking methotrexate AND patient is unable to take naproxen and a preferred proton pump inhibitor, separately. **Zipsor, Zorvolex:** patient has had a documented intolerance to diclofenac tablets. AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to 4

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All products require PA. **TRANSDERMAL** **All products require PA.** **NSAID/ANTI-ULCER** **All products require PA.** Note: Please refer to "Dermatologicals: Actinic Keratosis Therapy" for Solaraze®	Arthrotec®) Duexis® (ibuprofen/famotidine) *(QL = 3 tablets/day)* Vimovo® (naproxen/esomeprazole) *(QL = 2 tablets/day)*	or more preferred generic NSAIDs. **All other PA requiring NSAIDs:** patient has had a documented side effect or treatmetn failu or 2 or more preferred generic NSAIDS. (If a product has an AB rated generic, one trial must be the generic.)
ANEMIA: HEMATOPOIETIC/ERYTHROPOIETIC AGENTS		
PREFRRED AFTER CLINICAL CRITERIA ARE MET ARANESP® (darbepoetin alfa) PROCRIT® (epoetin alpha)	Epogen® (epoetin alpha) Mircera® (methoxypolyethylene glycol-epoetin beta)	**Aranesp, Procrit:** diagnosis or indication for the requested medication is anemia due to one of the following: Chronic kidney disease/renal failure, Post-renal transplant, Use of zidovudine for the treatment of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) (other causes of anemia, such as iron/folate/vitamin B12 deficiency have been eliminated), Surgery patients at high risk for perioperative blood loss, Cancer chemotherapy, Use of ribavirin or interferon therapy for Hepatitis C, Myelodysplastic syndrome. Hemoglobin level at initiation of therapy is <10 g/dL OR for patients currently maintained on therapy, hemoglobin leven is < 11 g/dL in dialysis patients with chronic kidney disease, < 10 g/dL in non-dialysis patients with chronic kidney disease, or < 12 g/dL in patietns treated for other indications **Epogen:** diagnosis or indication for the requested medication is anemia due to one

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		of the following: Chronic kidney disease/renal failure, Post-renal transplant, Use of zidovudine for the treatment of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) (other causes of anemia, such as iron/folate/vitamin B12 deficiency have been eliminated), Surgery patients at high risk for perioperative blood loss, Cancer chemotherapy, Use of ribavirin or interferon therapy for Hepatitis C, Myelodysplastic syndrome. Hemoglobin level at initiation of therapy is <10 g/dL OR for patients currently maintained on therapy, hemoglobin leven is < 11 g/dL in dialysis patients with chronic kidney disease, < 10 g/dL in non-dialysis patients with chronic kidney disease, or < 12 g/dL in patients treated for other indications. AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to both Aranesp and Procrit. **Mircera:** The diagnosis or indication for the requested medication is anemia due to chronic kidney disease/renal failure AND Hemoglobin level at initiation of therapy is <10g/dl OR For patients currently maintained on therapy, hemoglobin level is ≤11 g/dL in dialysis patients with chronic kidney disease, ≤10 g/dL in non-dialysis patients with chronic kidney disease, or ≤12 g/dL in patients treated for other indications AND The patient has had a documented side-effect, allergy, or treatment failure to both Aranesp and Procrit
ANKYLOSING SPONDYLITIS: INJECTABLES		
****Self-injectables (Enbrel®, Cimzia®, Humira® and Simponi®) must be obtained through Specialty Pharmacy Provider, Briova** Length of Authorization: Initial PA 3 months; 12 months thereafter**		
PREFERRED AGENTS AFTER CLINICAL CRITERIA ARE MET ENBREL® (etanercept) *Qty Limit = 4 syringes/28 days(50 mg), 8*	Cimzia® (certolizumab pegol) *(Quantity limit = 1 kit/28 days (starter X 1, then regular))* Remicade® (infliximab)	**Humira:** patient has a diagnosis of ankylosing spondylitis (AS) and has already been stabilized on Humira. OR patient has a confirmed diagnosis of AS, and conventional NSAID treatment and DMARD therapy (e.g. methotrexate therapay) resulted in an adverse effect, allergic reaction, inadequate response, or treatment failure. If methotrexate is contraindicated, another DMARD should be tried. Notes: Approval should be granted in cases where patiens have been

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syringes/28 days (25 mg) HUMIRA® (adalimumab) *Qty Limit = 2 syringes/28 days*	Simponi® (golimumab) Subcutaneous *Qty Limit = 1 of 50 mg prefilled syringe or autoinjector/28 days)*	treated with infliximab but have lost response to therapy. **Enbrel:** patient has a diagnosis of ankylosing spondylitis (AS) and has already been stabilized on Enbrel. OR diagnosis is AS, and conventional NSAID treatment and DMARD therapy (e.g. methotrexate therapy) resulted in an adverse effect, allergic reaction, inadequate response, or treatment failure. If methotrexate is contraindicated, another DMARD should be tried. **Cimzia:** patient has a diagnosis of ankylosing spondylitis (AS) and has already been stabilized on Cimzial OR diagnosis is AS, and conventional NSAID treatment and DMARD therapy (e.g. methotrexate therapy) resulted in an adverse effect, allergic reaction, inadequate response, or treatment failure. If methotrexate is contraindicated, another DMARD should be tried. AND the prescriber must provide a clinically valid reason why either Humira or Enbrel cannot be used. **Remicade:** patient has a diagnosis of ankylosing spondylitis (AS) and has already been stabilized on Remicade. OR diagnosis is AS, and conventional NSAID treatment and DMARD therapy (e.g. methotrexate therapy) resulted in an adverse effect, allergic reaction, inadequate response, or treatment failure. If methotrexate is contraindicated, another DMARD should be tried. AND the prescriber must provide a clinically valid reason why either Humira or Enbrel cannot be used. **Simponi:** patient has a diagnosis of ankylosing spondylitis (AS) and has already been stabilized on Simponi. OR patient age > 18 years. AND diagnosis is AS, and patient has documentation of an inadequate response, adverse reaction or allergice response to methotrexate, or if ethotreate is contraindicated, at least 1 DMARD (other DMARDs include leflunomide, sulfasalazine, gold, antimalarials, minocycline, D-penicillamine, azathioprine, cyclophosphamide and cyclosporine) AND the prescriber must provide a clinically valid reason why either Humira or Enbrel cannot be used. * Patients with documented diagnosis of active axial involvement should have a trial

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		with two NSAIDs, but a trial with DMARD is not required. If no active axial skelatal involvement, then NSAID trial and a DMARD trial are required (unless otherwise contraindicated) prior to receiving Humira, Cimzia, Enbrel, Remicade, or Simponi.
ANTI-ANXIETY: ANXIOLYTICS		
BENZODIAZEPINE		
CHLORDIAZEPOXIDE† (formerly Librium®) CLONAZEPAM† (compare to Klonopin®) *(QL = 4 tabs/day except 2 mg (QL = 3 tabs/day))* CLONAZEPAM ODT† (formerly Klonopin Wafers®) *(QL = 4 tabs/day except 2 mg (QL = 3 tabs/day))* CLORAZEPATE† tabs (compare to Tranxene T®) DIAZEPAM† (compare to Valium®) LORAZEPAM† (compare to Ativan®) *(QL = 4 tablets/day)* OXAZEPAM† (formerly Serax®)	alprazolam† (compare to Xanax®) *(QL = 4 tablets/day)* alprazolam ER†, alprazolam XR® (compare to Xanax XR®) *(QL = 2 tablets/day)* alprazolam ODT† (compare to Niravam®) *(QL = 3 tablets/day)* Alprazolam Intensol® (alprazolam concentrate) Ativan®* (lorazepam) *(QL = 4 tablets/day)* Diazepam Intensol® (diazepam concentrate) Klonopin®* (clonazepam) *(QL = 4 tabs/day except 2 mg (QL = 3 tabs/day))*	**Non-preferred Benzodiazepines (except for alprazolam ODT, Klonopin Wafers, Niravam & Intensol Products):** patient has a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to at least 2 preferred benzodiazepine medications. (If a product has an AB rated generic, there must also be a trial of the generic formulation) **Alprazolam ODT and Niravam:** patient has a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to at least 2 preferred benzodiazepine medications. (If a product has an AB rated generic, there must also be a trial of the generic formulation). OR patient has a medical necessity for disintegrating tablet administration (i.e. inabiloity to swallow tablets) AND patient has a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure to clonazepam ODT. **Alprazolam Intensol, Diazepam Intensol, Lorazepam Intensol:** patient has a medical necessity for the specialty dosage form (i.e. swallowing disorder). AND the medication cannot be administered by crushing oral tablets.

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	Lorazepam Intensol® (lorazepam concentrate) Niravam® (alprazolam ODT) *(QL = 3 tablets/day)* Tranxene T®* (clorazepate tablets) Valium®* (diazepam) Xanax® (alprazolam) *(QL = 4 tablets/day)* Xanax XR® (alprazolam XR) *(QL = 2 tablets/day)*	
NON-BENZODIAZEPINE		
BUSPIRONE† (formerly Buspar®) HYDROXYZINE HYDROCHLORIDE† (formerly Atarax®) HYDROXYZINE PAMOATE† (compare to Vistaril®) (all strengths except 100 mg) MEPROBAMATE† (formerly Miltown®)	Hydroxyzine Pamoate† (100 mg strength ONLY) (compare to Vistaril®) Vistaril®* (hydroxyzine pamoate)	**Hydroxyzine Pamote 100mg strength ONLY:** patient isunable to use generic 50mg capsules **Vistaril:** patient has a documented intolerance to the generic formulation. **PA Requests to Exceed QL:** all requests will be referred to the DVHA Medical Director for review unless (a) the medication is being prescribed fro acute alcohol withdrawal for a maximum 10 day supply or (b) the patient has been started and stabilized on the requested quantity for treatment of a seizure disorder.

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ANTICOAGULANTS		
ORAL		
Vitamin K Antagonist WARFARIN † (compare to Coumadin®)	Coumadin®* (warfarin)	**Coumadin:** patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication OR patient has had a documented intolerance to generic warfarin.
Direct Thrombin Inhibitor Pradaxa® (dabigatran etexilate) *(Quantity Limit = 2 capsules/day)*	Savaysa® (edoxaban) *(Quantity limits=1 tablet/daily*	**Savaysa:** Diagnosis or indication is nonvalvular atrial fibrillation or the indication is treatment of DVT or PE following 5-10 days of parenteral anticoagulation or the indication is reduction of risk of recurrent DVT or PE following initial therapy AND creatinine clearance is documented to be < 95 ml/min AND prescriber has provided another clinically valid reason why generic warfarin, Pradaxa, Xarelto or Eliquis cannot be used. A yearly creatinine clearance is required with renewal of PA request
Factor Xa Inhibitor Eliquis® (apixaban) *(Quantity Limit = 2 tablets/day)* *(Quantity limit 5mg = 4 tablets/day for 7 days if indication is treatment of DVT or PE)(followed by 5 mg twice daily)* XARELTO® (rivaroxaban) *(10mg- Quantity Limit = 1 tablet/day, maximum 30 day supply to complete*		

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total 35 days/every 180 days) *(15m & 20mg -Quantity Limit = 1 tablet/day)* *(Quantity limit 15 mg = 2 tablets/day for 21 days if indication is treatment of DVT or PE) (followed by 20mg once daily)* Starter Pack (15 mg/20 mg) *(Quantity Limit = 51 tablets/30 days)*		
INJECTABLE		
UNFRACTIONATED HEPARIN INJECTABLE HEPARIN† **LOW MOLECULAR WEIGHT HEPARINS INJECTABLE** Enoxaparin † (compare to Lovenox®) *(QL = 2 syringes/day calculated in ml volume)* FRAGMIN® (dalteparin) **SELECTIVE FACTOR XA INHIBITOR INJECTABLE** FONDAPARINUX† (compare to Arixtra®)	n/a LOVENOX® (enoxaparin) *(QL = 2 syringes/day calculated in ml volume)* Innohep® (tinzaparin) Arixtra®* (fondaparinux)	**Arixtra:** patient has a documented intolerance to generic fondaparinux. **Lovenox:** patient has a documented intolerance to generic enoxaparin **Innohep:** diagnosis is treatment of acute, symptomatic deep vein thrombosis (DVT) with or without pulmonary embolism, administered in conjunction with warfarin sodium AND patient does not have a bleeding disorder or documetned heparin-induced thrombocytopenia (HIT) AND prescriber must provide a clinically valid reason why one of Lovenox, Fragmin, or fondaparinux cannot be used OR patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication in conjunction with warfarin

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ANTICONVULSANTS		
ORAL		
CARBAMAZEPINE† (compare to Tegretol®) CARBAMAZEPINE extended release † (compare to Tegretol XR®) CARBATROL® (carbamazepine) CELONTIN® (methsuxamide) CLONAZEPAM† (compare to Klonopin®) *QL = 4 tablets/day* CLONAZEPAM ODT† (formerly Klonopin Wafers®) *QL = 4 tablets/day* CHLORAZEPATE† (compare to Tranxene-T® Tablets DEPAKOTE SPRINKLES® (divalproex sodium caps) DIAZEPAM† (compare to Valium®) DILANTIN® (phenytoin) DIVALPROEX SODIUM † (compare to Depakote®) DIVALPROEX SODIUM ER† (compare to Depakote ER®) EPITOL† (carbamazepine) ETHOSUXAMIDE† (compare to Zarontin®)	Aptiom® (eslicarbazepine acetate) *QL = 1 tab/day (200, 400 and 800 mg) and 2 tabs/day (600 mg)* Banzel® (rufinamide) *QL = 8 tabs/day (400 mg) and 16 tabs/day (200 mg)* Banzel® (rufinamide) oral suspension *QL = 80 ml/day (3,200 mg/day)* Depakene®* (valproic acid) Depakote®* (divalproex sodium) Depakote ER®* (divalproex sodium) divalproex sodium capsules † (compare to Depakote Sprinkles®) felbamate† (compare to Felbatol®) Felbatol® (felbamate) Fycompa® (perampanel) tablets *QL = 1 tablet/day* Keppra®* (levetiracetam) tablets, oral solution Keppra XR® (levetiracetam extended release) Klonopin®* (clonazepam) *QL = 4 tablets/day*	**Depakene, Depakote, Depakote ER, Keppra tabs or oral solution, Klonopin, Klonopin Wafers, Lamictal tabs or chew tabs, Mysline, Neurontin caps, tabs, sol, Tegretol XR (200mg & 400mg), Topamax tabs, Topamax sprinkles, Trileptal tabs, Zarontin, Zonegran:** patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization) OR patient has had a documented intolerance to the generic equivalent of the requested medication. **Benzel:** diagnosis or indication is treatment of Lennox-Gastaut Syndrome. AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure/inadequate response or a contraindication to at least TWO preferred anticonvulsants used for the treatment of Lennox-Gastaut syndrome (topiramate, lamotrigine, valproic acid) AND for approval of the oral suspension, patient must be unable to use Benzel tabs (i.e. swallowing disorder) **Felbamate, Felbatol:** patient informaiton/consent describing aplastic anemia and liver injury has been completed AND patient has been started and stabilized on the requeste medicaion. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization). Additionally, if brand is requested, the patient has a documented intolerance to the generic product. OR diagnosis is adjunctive therapy of partial-onset seizures or Lennox-Gastaut seizures and the patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure/inadequate response or a contraindication to at least THREE preferred anticonvulsants. Additionally, if brand is requested, the patient has a documented intolerance to the generic product. **Divalproex sodium capsules (sprinkles), tiagabine, (generics):** patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not

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GABAPENTIN† 100 mg, 300 mg, 400 mg capsules, 600 mg, 800 mg tablets, 250 mg/5 ml oral solution (compare to Neurontin®) GABITRIL® (tiagabine) LAMOTRIGINE† chew tabs (compare to Lamictal® chew tabs) LAMOTRIGINE† tabs (compare to Lamictal® tabs) LEVETIRACETAM† tabs (compare to Keppra® tabs) LEVETIRACETAM† oral soln (compare to Keppra® oral soln) OXCARBAZEPINE† tablets (compare to Trileptal®) Oxcarbazepine † oral suspension (compare to Trileptal®) PEGANONE® (ethotoin) PHENYTEK® (phenytoin) PHENYTOIN† (compare to Dilantin®) PHENYTOIN EX† cap (compare to Phenytek®) PRIMIDONE† (compare to Mysoline®) TEGRETOL XR® (carbamazepine) 100 mg ONLY TOPIRAMATE ER TOPIRAMATE† tabs (compare to Topamax® tabs) TOPIRAMATE† sprinkle caps (compare to Topamax® Sprinkles)	Lamictal®* tabs (lamotrigine tabs) Lamictal®* chew tabs (lamotrigine chew tabs) Lamictal ODT® (lamorigine orally disintegrating tablets) Lamictal XR® tablets (lamotrigine extended release) lamotrigine ER† (compare to Lamictal XR®) levetiracetam ER† (compare to Keppra XR®) Lyrica® (pregabalin) § cap *(Quantity Limit = 3 capsules/day)* Lyrica® (pregabalin) oral solution Mysoline®* (primidone) Neurontin®* (gabapentin) capsules, tablets and solution Onfi® (clobazam) Oral Suspension 2.5 mg/ml *(Quantity limit = 16 ml/day)* Onfi® (clobazam) Tablets *(Quantity Limit = 3 tabs/day (10 mg), 2 tabs/day (20 mg))* Oxtellar® XR (oxcarbazapine ER) tablet Potiga® (ezogabine) tablets *(Quantity limit = 9 tablets/day (50mg), 3 tablets/day (all others)* Qudexy® XR (topiramate) capsules Sabril® (vigabatrin) Tegretol®* (carbamazepine)	considered adequate justification for stabilization). OR patient has had a documented intolerance to the brand name product. **Keppra XR, Lamictal XR, lamotrigine ER, levetiracetam ER, Oxtellar XR,** patient has been unable to be compliant with or tolerate twice daily dosing of the immediate release product. Additionally, if brand Keppra XR or Lamictal XR is requested, the patient has a documented intolerance to the generic product. **Lamictal ODT:** medical necessity for a specialty dosage form has been provided AND lamotrigine chewable tabs cannot be used. **Lyrica caps, Lyrica oral solution:** patient has a diagnosis of epilepsy OR patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to TWO drugs from the following: gabapentin, tricyclic antidepressant, SSRI andidepressant, SNRI antidepressant, miscellaneous antidepressant, cyclobenzaprine or Savella, if medication is being used for fibromyalgia. (This indication not processed via automated step therapy). OR if the diagnosis is for post-herpetic neuralgia or neuropathic pain, there is a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure to TWO drugs from the following: tricyclic antidepressant, gabapentin, or SNRI, AND if the request is for the oral solution, the patient is unable to use Lyrica capsules (i.e. swallowing disorder) **Onfi:** patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization) OR diagnosis or indication is adjunctive treatment of Lennox-Gastaut Syndrome. AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure/inadequate response or a contraindication to at least TWO preferred anticonvulsants used for the treatment of Lennox-Gastaut syndrome (topiramate, lamotrigine, valproic acid) OR diagnosis or indication is adjunctive treatment of refractory epilepsy (may include different types of epilepsy) AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure/inadequate response or a contraindication to at least THREE preferred anticonvulsants. **Fycompa, Potiga:** patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication (Note: sampleas are not considered adequate justification for stabilization) OR diagnosis is adjunctive therapy or partial-onset seizures OR

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VALPROIC ACID† (compare to Depakene®) ZONISAMIDE† (compare to Zonegran®)	Tegretol XR® (carbamazepine) (200 and 400 mg strengths) tiagabine† (compare to Gabitril®) Topamax®* (topiramate) tablets Topamax®* (topiramate) Sprinkle Capsules Tranxene-T®* (clorazepate) tablets Trileptal®* tablets (oxcarbazepine) TRILEPTAL® oral suspension (oxcarbazepine) Trokendi XR® (topiramate SR 24hr) Capsules *(Quantity limit = 2 caps/day (200mg), 1 cap/day all others)* Valium®* (diazepam) Vimpat® (lacosamide) tablets, oral solution Zarontin®* (ethosuxamide) Zonegran®* (zonisamide)	diagnosis is adjunctive therapy for primary generalized tonic-clonic seizures (Fycompa only) AND the patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure,inadequate response or a contraindication to at least TWO preferred anticonvulsants. Sabril: prescriber and patient are registered with the SHARE program AND diagnosis is infantile spasms OR patient is > 16 years old and the indication is adjunctive therapy in refractory complex partial seizures and failure of THREE other preferred anticonvulsants. **Trileptal oral suspension:** patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization). OR patient has had a documented intolerance to the generic product. **Trokendi XR, Qudexy XR:** patient has failed treatment with topiramate ER **Vimpat:** patient has been started and stablized on the requested medication (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization) OR diagnosis is monotherapy adjunctive therapy of partial-onset seizures and the patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure/inadequate response or a contraindication to at least TWO preferred anticonvulsants AND if the reqeust is for the oral solution, the patient is unable to use Vimpat tables (eg. swallowing disorder). **PA Requests to Exceed QL for clonazepam/clonazepam ODT or Klonopin**: all requests will be referred to the DVHA Medical Director for review unless the patient has been started and stabilized on the requested quantity for treatment of a seizure disorder.
RECTAL		
DIASTAT® (diazepam rectal gel)	Diazepam rectal gel	**Diazepam Rectal Gel:** patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization) OR patient has had a documented intolerance to Diastat rectal gel.

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ANTIDEPRESSANTS		
MAO INHIBITORS – Length of Authorization: Duration of Need for Mental Health Indications		
PHENELZINE SULFATE (compare to Nardil®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 90 mg/day* TRANYLCYPROMINE (compare to Parnate®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 60 mg/day*	EMSAM® (selegiline) *(QL = 1 patch/day)* Marplan® (isocarboxazid) Nardil®* (phenylzine) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 90 mg/day* Parnate®* (tranylcypromine) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 60 mg/day*	**Marplan:** patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization). OR patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to phenelzine and tranylcypromine. **Nardil, Parnate:** patient has had a documented intolerance to generic equivalent product. **EMSAM:** patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with at least 3 antideprssants from 2 of the major antidepressants classes (Miscellaneous, SNRIs, SSRIs, Tricyclic Antidepressants). OR patient is unable to tolerate oral medication. **Limitations:** Chlordiazepoxide/amitriptyline and amitriptyline/perphenazine combinations are not covered. Generic agents may be prescribed separately.
MISCELLANEOUS - Length of Authorization: Duration of Need for Mental Health Indications, 1 Year for Other Indications		
BUDEPRION® SR/BUPROPION SR† (compare to Wellbutrin SR®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 400mg/day* BUDEPRION XL/BUPROPION XL† (compare to	Aplenzin® (bupropion hydrobromide) ER tablets *Quantity Limit = 1 tablet/day* Brintellix® (vortioxetine) Tablet *Quantity Limit = 1 tablet/day* Forfivo XL® (bupropion SR 24hr) 450 mg tablet	**Aplenzin:** The patient has had a documented inadequate response to Budeprion XL/bupropion XL AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or in adequate response to at least 2 different antidepressants from the SSRI, SNRI and/or Miscellaneous Antidepressant categories (may be preferred or non-preferred) **Forfivo XL**: The patient is unable to take the equivalent dose as generic bupropion

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Wellbutrin XL®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 450 mg/day* BUPROPION† (compare to Wellbutrin®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 450 mg/day* MAPROTILINE† (formerly Ludiomil®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 225 mg/day* MIRTAZAPINE† (compare to Remeron®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 45 mg/day* MIRTAZAPINE RDT† (compare to Remeron Sol-Tab®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 45 mg/day* NEFAZODONE† (formerly Serzone®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 600 mg/day* TRAZODONE HCL† (formerly Desyrel®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 600 mg/day*	*FDA maximum recommended dose = 450 mg/day* *Quantity Limit = 1 tablet/day* Oleptro® (trazodone) ER tablets *Quantity Limit = 2 tablets/day (150 mg) or 1 tablet/day (300 mg)* Remeron®* (mirtazapine) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 45 mg/day* Remeron Sol Tab®* (mirtazapine RDT) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 45 mg/day* Viibryd® (vilazodone) Tablet *Quantity Limit = 1 tablet/day* Wellbutrin®* (bupropion) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 450 mg/day* Wellbutrin SR®* (bupropion SR) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 400mg/day* Wellbutrin XL®* (bupropion XL) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 450 mg/day*	XL **Oleptro:** The diagnosis for use is MDD (major depressive disorder). AND The patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate jusitification for stabilization.) OR The patient has a documentaed treatment failure/inadequate response to immediate release trazodone. **Remeron, Remeron SolTab, Wellbutrin, Wellbutrin SR, and Wellbutrin XL:** The patient has had a documented intolerance to the generic formulation of the requested medication. **Brintellix, Viibryd:** The diagnosis or indication is MDD AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or inadequate response (defined by at least 4 weeks of therapy) to at least 3 different antidepressants from the SSRI, SNRI, and/or Miscellaneous Antidepressant categories (may be preferred or non-preferred)Document clinically compelling information supporting the choice of a non-preferred agent on a General Prior Authorization Form.After a 4-month lapse in use of a non-preferred agent for a mental health indication, or if there is a change in therapy, a lookback through claims information will identify the need to re-initiate therapy following the PDL and clinical criteria.
SNRI - Length of Authorization: Duration of Need for Mental Health Indications, 1 Year for Other Indications		
VENLAFAXINE ER† capsule (compare to Effexor XR®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 225 mg/day,Quantity limit = 1 capsule/day (37.5 mg & 75 mg)*	Cymbalta® (duloxetine) Capsule *FDA maximum recommended dose = 120 mg/day(MDD and GAD), 60 mg/day all others* *Quantity limit = 2 capsules/day* Desvenlafax ER (desvenlafaxine fumarate SR 24hr)	**Venlafaxine IR:** The patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.) OR The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or inadequate response to at least 2 different antidepressants from the SSRI, SNRI and/or Miscellaneous Antidepressant categories (may be preferred or non-preferred). **Venlafaxine ER tablet (generic), Venlafaxine ER tablet (brand), Effexor XR**

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	Tablet *FDA maximum recommended dose = 400 mg/day, Quantity limit = 1 tablet/day (50 mg tablet only)* Desvenlafaxine ER® (desvenlafaxine base SR) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 400 mg/day, Quantity limit = 1 tablet/day (50 mg tablet only)* Duloxetine† (compare to Cymbalta®) Capsule *FDA maximum recommended dose = 120 g/day(MDD and GAD), 60 mg/day all others Quantity limit = 2 capsules/day* Effexor XR® (venlafaxine XR) capsule *FDA maximum recommended dose = 225 mg/day, Quantity limit = 1 capsule/day (37.5 mg & 75 mg)* Fetzima® (levomilnacipran ER) capsule *FDA maximum recommended dose = 120 mg/day* *Quantity limit = 1 capsule/day* Fetzima® (levomilnacipran ER) capsule titration pack *(QL = 1 pack per lifetime)* *FDA maximum recommended dose = 120 mg/day* Irenka 40mg (duloxetine) capsules *FD maximum recommended dose = 120g/day (MDD and GAD), 60mg/day all others, QL = 2 caps/day.* Khedezla® (desvenlafaxine base SR) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 400 mg/day, Quantity limit = 1 tablet/day (50 mg tablet only)* Pristiq® § (desvenlafaxine succinate SR) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 400 mg/day,*	**Capsule (brand):** The patient has had a documented intolerance to generic venlafaxiner ER caps. **Fetzima, Pristiq:** The patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequatejustification for stabilization.) OR The diagnosis or indication is Major Depressive Disorder (MDD) AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or inadequate response to at least 3(three) differentantidepressants from the SSRI, SNRI, TCA and/or Miscellaneous Antidepressant categories, one of which must bevenlafaxine ER capsule (may be preferred or non-preferred). **Desvenlafaxine ER, Khedezla:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or inadequate response to at least 2 different antidepressants from the SSRI, SNRI and/or Miscellaneous Antidepressant categories, one of which must be venlafaxine ER capsule (may be preferred or non-preferred) AND The patient has had a documented intolerance with Pristiq. **Duloxetine:** Depression: The patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.) OR The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or inadequate response to at least 2 different antidepressants from the SSRI, SNRI and/or Miscellaneous Antidepressant categories, one of which must be venlafaxine ER capsule (may be preferred or non-preferred). Generalized Anxiety Disorder: The patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.) OR The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or inadequate response to at least TWO different antidepressants from the SSRI, SNRI and/or TCA categories (may be preferred or non-preferred) or ONE antidepressant from the SSRI, SNRI and/or TCA categories (may be preferred or non-preferred) and buspirone. Neuropathic pain: The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to TWO drugs in the tricyclic anrtidepressant (TCA) class

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	Quantity limit = 1 tablet/day (50 mg tablet only) Venlafaxine ER®† tablet *FDA maximum recommended dose = 225 mg/day,* *Quantity limit = 1 tablet/day (37.5 mg & 75 mg)* Venlafaxine ER† tablet *FDA maximum recommended dose = 225 mg/day,* *Quantity limit = 1 tablet/day (37.5 mg & 75 mg)* venlafaxine IR †§ (previously Effexor®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 225 mg/day*	and/or anticonvulsant class. (this indication not processed via automated step therapy). Non-neuropathic musculoskeletal pain (osteoarthritis, chronic low back pain): The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, inadequate response or contraindication to acetaminophen (Tylenol®) AND at least TWO nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) (oral and/or topical). (this indication not processed via automated step therapy) Fibromyalgia: The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to TWO drugs from the following: gabapentin, tricyclic anrtidepressant, SSRI antidepressant, SNRI antidepressant, miscellaneous antidepressant, cyclobenzaprine, Lyrica® or Savella®.(this indication not processed via automated step therapy) Document clinically compelling information supporting the choice of a non-preferred agent on a General Prior Authorization Form. After a 4-month lapse in use of a non-preferred agent for a mental health indication, or if there is a change in therapy, a lookback through claims information will identify the need to re-initiate therapy following the PDL and clinical criteria. **Cymbalta, Irenka:** Must meet criteria for duloxetine (above) AND have a clinically compelling reason why the dosing needs cannot be accomplished with generic duloxetine.
SSRIs – Length of Authorization: Duration of Need for Mental Health Indications, 1 Year for Other Indications		
CITALOPRAM† (compare to Celexa®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 40 mg/day* FLUOXETINE† (compare to Prozac®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 80 mg/day* FLUVOXAMINE† (formerly Luvox®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 300 mg/day*	Brisdelle® (paroxetine) *Quantity Limit = 1 capsule/day* Celexa®* (citalopram) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 40 mg/day* escitalopram† (compare to Lexapro®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 20 mg/day,* *Quantity limit = 1.5 tabs/day (5 mg & 10 mg tabs)* Fluoxetine† (pmdd)	**Celexa, Paxil tablet, Prozac, Zoloft:** The patient had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with 2 preferred SSRIs. (One trial must be the generic formulation of the requested medication.) **Brisdelle:** The indication for use is moderate to sever vasomotor symptions (VMS) associated with menopause. AND The patient has tried and failed generic paroxetine. **Luvox CR, fluovoxamine CR:** The patient had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with 2 preferred SSRIs. (One trial must be generic fluvoxamine IR.) If the request is for the brand product, the patient also has a

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PAROXETINE tablet† (compare to Paxil®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 60 mg/day* SERTRALINE† (compare to Zoloft®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 200 mg/day,* *Quantity limit = 1.5 tabs/day (25 mg & 50 mg tabs)*	*FDA maximum recommended dose = 80 mg/day* Fluoxetine® 60 mg Tablet *FDA maximum recommended dose = 80 mg/day* fluoxetine† 90 mg (compare to Prozac Weekly®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 90 mg/week* Lexapro® (escitalopram) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 20 mg/day,* *Quantity limit = 1.5 tabs/day (5 mg & 10 mg tabs)* fluvoxamine CR† (compare to Luvox CR®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 300 mg/day,* *Quantity limit = 2 capsules/day* Luvox CR® (fluvoxamine CR) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 300 mg/day,* *Quantity limit = 2 capsules/day* paroxetine suspension† (compare to Paxil® susp) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 60 mg/day* Paroxetine CR† (compare to Paxil CR®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 75 mg/day* Paxil®* (paroxetine) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 60 mg/day* Paxil® suspension (paroxetine) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 60 mg/day* Paxil CR® (paroxetine CR) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 75 mg/day* Pexeva® (paroxetine) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 60 mg/day* Prozac®* (fluoxetine)	documented intolerance to the generic equivalent. **Pexva, Paroxetine CR, and Paxil CR:** The patient had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with 2 preferred SSRIs. (One trial must be generic paroxetine.) AND If the request is for Paxil CR, the patient has a documented intolerance to paroxetine CR. **Paroxetine suspension, Paxil suspension:** The patient has a requirement for an oral liquid dosage form. AND The patient had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with 2 preferred SSRIs. **Sarafem, Selfemra, Fluoxetine 60mg tablet, Fluoxetine (pmdd**): The patient had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with 2 preferred SSRIs. (One trial must be generic fluoxetine (regular, not pmdd).) In addition, for approval of Sarafem, either Selfemra or fluoxetine pmdd must have been tried. **Lexapro, escitalopram:** The patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.) OR The patient had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with 2 preferred SSRIs. (One trial must be generic citalopram). AND If the request is for Lexapro, the patient has a documented intolerance with generic escitalopram **Fluoxetine 90mg, Prozac Weekly:** The patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.) OR The patient failed and is not a candidate for daily fluoxetine. AND The prescriber provides clinically compelling rationale for once-weekly dosing. AND If the request is for Prozac Weekly, the patient has a documented intolerance of fluoxetine 90 mg capsules. Document clinically compelling information supporting the choice of a non-preferred agent on a General Prior Authorization Form. After a 4-month lapse in use of a non-preferred agent for a mental health indication, or if there is a change in therapy, a lookback through claims information will identify the need to re-initiate therapy following the PDL and clinical criteria.

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	FDA maximum recommended dose = 80 mg/day Prozac Weekly® (fluoxetine) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 90 mg/week* Sarafem® (fluoxetine pmdd) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 80 mg/day* Selfemra® † (fluoxetine pmdd) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 80 mg/day* Zoloft®* (sertraline) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 200 mg/day,* *Quantity limit = 1.5 tabs/day (25 mg & 50 mg tabs)*	
TRICYCLICS – Length of Authorization: Duration of Need for Mental Health Information, 1 Year for Other Indications		
AMITRIPTYLINE† (formerly Elavil®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 300 mg/day* AMOXAPINE† (formerly Asendin®) CLOMIPRAMINE† (compare to Anafranil®) DESIPRAMINE† (compare to Norpramin®) DOXEPIN† (formerly Sinequan®) IMIPRAMINE† (compare to Tofranil®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 300 mg/day* IMIPRAMINE PAMOATE† (compare to Tofranil	Anafranil®* (clomipramine) Norpramin®* (desipramine) Pamelor®* (nortriptyline) Surmontil® (trimipramine) Tofranil®* (imipramine) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 300 mg/day* Tofranil PM®* (imipramine pamoate) Vivactil®* (protriptyline)	**Tricyclics (TCAs) (Brands with generic equivalents):** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to 2 or more TCAs not requiring prior authorization.One trial must be the AB ratedgeneric formulation. OR The patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.) AND The patient has had a documented intolerance to the generic formulation.**Surmontil:** The patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization). OR The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to one or more preferred TCAs. **Limitation:** Chlordiazepoxine/amitrityline and amitriptyline/perphenazine combinations not covered. Generic agents may be prescribed separately. Document clinically compelling information supporting the choice of a non-preferred agent on a General Prior Authorization Form. After a 4-month lapse in use of a non-preferred agent for a mental health indication, or if there is a change in therapy, a lookback through claims

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PM®) NORTRIPTYLINE† (formerly Aventyl®, compare to Pamelor®) NORTRIPTYLINE Oral Solution PROTRIPTYLINE† (compare to Vivactil®)		information will identify the need to re-initiate therapy following the PDL and clinical criteria.
ANTI-DIABETICS		
ALPHA-GLUCOSIDASE INHIBITORS		
ACARBOSE† (compare to Precose®) GLYSET® (miglitol)	Precose®* (acarbose)	**Precose:** patient must have a documented intolerance to generic acarbose
BIGUANIDES & COMBINATIONS		
SINGLE AGENT METFORMIN† (compare to Glucophage®) METFORMIN XR† (compare to Glucophage XR®) RIOMET® (metformin oral solution) **COMBINATION** GLIPIZIDE/METFORMIN† (compare to	Fortamet® (metformin ER Osmotic) Glucophage®* (metformin) Glucophage XR®* (metformin XR) Glumetza® (metformin ER) Metformin ER Osmotic† (compare to Fortamet®)	**Fortamet, Glucophage XR, Glumetza, Metformin ER osmotic:** patent has had a documented intolerance to generic metformin XR (if product has an AB rated generic, there must have been a trial of the generic) **Glucophage, Glucovance, Metaglip:** patient has had a documented side effect, allergy OR treatment failure with at least one preferred biguanide OR biguanide combination product (if a product has an AB raged generic, the trial must be the generic)

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Metaglip®) GLYBURIDE/METFORMIN† (compare to Glucovance®)	Glucovance®* (glyburide/metformin) Metaglip ®* (glipizide/metformin)	
DIPEPTIDYL PEPTIDASE (DPP-4) INHIBITORS		
PREFERRED AGENTS AFTER CLINICAL CRITERIA ARE MET **SINGLE AGENT** JANUVIA® (sitagliptin) § *(Quantity Limit = 1 tablet/day)* ONGLYZA® (saxagliptin)§ *(Quantity limit=1 tablet/day)* **COMBINATION** JANUMET® (sitagliptin/metformin) § *(Quantity Limit = 2 tablets/day)* KOMBIGLYZE XR® (saxagliptin/metformin ER) § *(Quantity limit=1 tab/day)*	**NON-PREFERRED AGENTS AFTER CLINICAL CRITERIA ARE MET** Nesina® (alogliptin) *(Quantity limit=1 tablet/day)* Tradjenta® *(linagliptin) (Quantity limit=1 tab/day)* Janumet XR® (sitagliptin/metformin ER) *(Qty limit=1 tab/day of 50/500 mg or 100/1000 mg or 2 tabs/day of 50/1000 mg)* Jentadueto® (linagliptin/metformin) *(Quantity limit=2 tabs/day)* Kazano® (alogliptin/metformin) *(Quantity limit=2 tabs/day)* Oseni® (alogliptin/pioglitazone) *(Quantity limit=1*	**Januvia, Onglyza:** patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, contraindication OR treatment failure with metformin **Nesina, Tradjenta:** patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, contraindication OR treatment failure with metformin AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy OR treatment failure with at least one preferred DDP-4 agent. **Janumet:** patient has had an inadequate response with Januvia OR Metformin monotherapy OR patient has been started and stabilized on Januvia and Metoformin combination therapy. **Kazano:** patient has had a documented side effect, allergy OR treatment failure with at least one preferred DDP-4 combination agent. **Janumet XR:** patient has had an inadequate response with Januvia OR Metformin/Metformin XR monotherapy OR patient has been started and

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	tab/day)	stabilized on Januvia and Metformin/Metformin XR combination therapy AND patient is unable to take Januva and Metformin/Metformin XR as the individual separate agents. **Jentadueto:** patient has had an inadequate response with Tradjenta OR Metformin monotherapy OR patient has been started and stabilized on Tradjenta and Metformin combination therapy AND the patent is unable to take Tradjenta and Metformin as the individual separate agents. **Kombiglyze XR:** patient has had an inadequate response with Onglyza OR Metformin/Metformin XR monotherapy OR Patient has been started and stabilized on Onglyza/Metformin XR combination therapy. **Oseni:** patient is unable to take Nesina and Actos (pioglitazone) as the individual separate agents (after meeting clinical criteria for each individual agent)
INSULINS		
RAPID-ACTING INJECTABLE HUMALOG® (insulin lispro) NOVOLOG® (Aspart) **SHORT-ACTING INJECTABLE** HUMULIN R® (Regular) NOVOLIN R® (Regular) **INTERMEDIATE-ACTING INJECTABLE** HUMULIN N® (NPH) NOVOLIN N® (NPH) **LONG-ACTING ANALOGS INJECTABLE**	**AFREZZA® INHALED (insulin human)** Apidra® (insulin glulisine)	**Apidra:** patient has had a documented side effect, allergy OR treatment failure to Novolog or Humalog **TOUJEO**: • Diagnosis of diabetes mellitus **AND** • Prescription is initiated by an Endocrinologist **AND** • The person is currently on insulin glargine U100 and cannot achieve glycemic control (defined as hemoglobin A1c ≤ 7%) because dose increases cannot be tolerated due to at least one severe low blood sugar event (requiring assistance from another) despite attempts at manipulating dosing time or splitting the dose.

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LANTUS® (insulin glargine) LEVEMIR® (insulin detemir) **MIXED INSULINS INJECTABLE** HUMULIN 70/30® (NPH/Regular) NOVOLIN 70/30® (NPH/Regular) NOVOLOG MIX 70/30® (Protamine/Aspart) HUMALOG MIX 50/50® (Protamine/Lispro) HUMALOG MIX 75/25® (Protamine/Lispro)	**TOUJEO® (insulin glargine)**	**AFREZZA INHALED INSULIN:** • Baseline PFT with FEV1 ≥ 70 % predicted • Patient does not have underlying lung disease (Asthma, COPD) • Patient is a non-smoker or has stopped smoking more than six months prior to starting Afrezza • Patient is currently using a long-acting insulin • Patient has failed to achieve HbA1c goal (defined as ≤ 7%) on a short-acting insulin in combination with a long-acting insulin • Initial approval is for 3 months and improved glycemic control must be documented for further approvals **Diabetes Mellitus Type 2 additional criteria** Patient is intolerant to, or is not a candidate for, or has failed to achieve HbA1c goal, (defined as ≤ 7%) despite therapy with two or more oral hypoglycemic agents
MEGLITINIDES		
Single Agent NATEGLINIDE† (compare to Starlix®) COMBINATION	Prandin® (replaglinide) repaglinide† (compare to Prandin®) Starlix®* (nateglinide) Prandimet® (repaglinide/metformin)	**Starlix:** patient has had a documented intolerance to generic nateglinide. **Prandin, Repaglinide:** patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication OR patient has had a documented side effect, allergy OR treatment failure with Starlix AND if the request is for Prandin, the patient has a documented intolerance with generic repaglinide. **Prandimet:** patient has been started and stablizied on Prandimet or on stable doses of the separate agents OR patient has had an inadequate response with repaglinide monotherapy.
PEPTIDE HORMONES		

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Preferred Agents after Clinical Criteria are Met **Incretin Mimetics** Tanzeum ® (albiglutide) VICTOZA® (liraglutide) *(Quantity Limit=3 pens/30 days)* **Amylinomimetics**	Bydureon® (exenatide extended-release) *(Quantity Limit=4 vials/28 days)* Byetta® (exenatide) *(Quantity Limit =1 pen/30 days)* Trulicity® (dulaglutide) Symlin® (pramlintide) *No Quantity Limit applies*	**Bydureon/Byetta/Trulicity:** patient has a diagnosis of type 2 diabetes.AND patient is at least 18 years of age. AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, contraindication or treatment failure with metformin. AND patient has a documented side effect, allergy, contraindication, or treatment failure with Victoza or Tanzeum (current users as of 05/29/2015 would be grandfathered) **Symlin:** patient has a diagnosis of diabetes mellitus. AND patient is at least 18 years of age. AND patient is on insulin. **Victoza/Tanzeum:** patient has a diagnosis of type 2 diabetes. AND patient is at least 18 years of age. AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, contraindication or treatment failure with metformin.
SODIUM-GLUCOSE CO-TRANSPORTER 2 (SGLT2) INHIBITORS AND COMBINATIONS		
Preferred Agents after Clinical Criteria are Met FARXIGA® (dapagliflozin) *(Quantity limit = 1 tablet/day)* INVOKANA® (canagliflozin) § *(Quantity limit = 1 tablet/day)*	Jardiance *(Quantity limit = 1 tablet/day)* **GLYXAMBI® (empagliflozin/ linagliptin)** ***(Quantity limit = 1 tablet/day)*** Invokamet (canagliflozin/metformin) *(Quantity limit = 1 tablet/day)* Xigduo XR® (dapagliflozin & metformin ER) *(Quantity limit 5/1000mg = 2/day)* *(Quantity limit All Other Strengths = 1/day)*	Patient is 18 years of age or older AND patient has a diagnosis of type 2 diabetes mellitus and has had an inadequate response to diet and exercise alone AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, contraindication OR treatment failure with metformin . **Jardiance additional criteria:** • The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, contraindication, or treatment failure with Invokana or Farxiga **Invokamet/Xigduo XR® additional criteria:** • The patient has documentation of a failure of therapy with the combination of the single agent drugs Invokana plus metformin **Glyxambi additional criteria:** • The patient has documentation of a failure of therapy with the combination of the preferred SGL2 plus a preferred DPP-4 inhibitor

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SULFONYLUREAS 2ND GENERATION		
GLIMEPIRIDE† (compare to Amaryl®) GLIPIZIDE† (compare to Glucotrol®) GLIPIZIDE ER† (compare to Glucotrol XL®) GLYBURIDE† (compare to Diabeta®, Micronase®) GLYBURIDE MICRONIZED† (compare to Glynase® PresTab®)	Amaryl®* (glimepiride) Diabeta®* (glyburide) Glucotrol®* (glipizide) Glucotrol XL®* (glipizide ER) Glynase® PresTab®* (glyburide micronized) Micronase®* (glyburide)	Patient has had a documented side effect, allergy OR treatment failure with glimperiride, AND glimepiride, AND glipizide/glipizide ER, and glyburide/glyburide micronized.
THIAZOLIDINEDIONES & COMBINATIONS		
Preferred Agents after Clinical Criteria are Met **SINGLE AGENT** PIOGLITAZONE† (compare to Actos®)§ **COMBINATION** PIOGLITAZONE/GLIMEPIRIDE† (compare to Duetact®) § *(Quantity Limit = 1 tablet/day)* PIOGLITAZONE/METFORMIN† (Compare to	Actos® (pioglitazone) Avandia® (rosiglitazone) Actoplus Met® (pioglitazone/metformin) Actoplus Met XR (pioglitazone/metformin ER) Avandamet® (metformin/rosiglitazone maleate) Avandaryl® (glimepiride/rosiglitazone maleate)	**Actos (pioglitazone), Actoplus Met, Duetact, Pioglitazone/Metformin:** Patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication OR patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, contraindication OR treatment failure with metformin AND if the request is for brand Actos Met or Duetact, patient has a documented intolerance to the generic product. **Actoplus Met XR:** patient has been started AND stabilized on the requested medication OR patient has had a documented treatment failure with generic metformin XR OR patient has had a documented treatment failure OR has been unable to be adherent to a twice daily dosing schedule of Actoplus Met resulting in a significant clinical impact. **Avandia:** patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication and

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Actoplus Met®)§	Duetact® (pioglitazone/glimepiride) *(Quantity Limit = 1 tablet/day)*	appears to be benefiting from it and the patient acknowledges that they understand the risks OR patient is unable to achieve glycemic control using other medications (including a documented side effect, allergy, contraindication or treatment failure with metformin).
ANTI-EMETICS		
5HT3 ANTAGONISTS: Length of Authorization: 6 months for chemotherapy or radiotherapy; 3 months for hyperemesis gravadarum,1 time for prevention of post-op nausea/vomiting: see clinical criteria. Monthly quantity limits apply, PA required to exceed.		
ONDANSETRON† Injection (vial and premix) ONDANSETRON†tablet 4 mg (12 tabs/28 days), 8 mg (6 tabs/28 days) ONDANSETRON† ODT 4 mg (12 tabs/28 days), 8 mg (6 tabs/28 days	Akynzeo® (nutupitant/palonosetron) Anzemet® (dolansetron) 50 mg (4 tabs/28 days) Anzemet® (dolansetron) 100 mg (2 tabs/28 days) Granisetron† (formerly Kytril®) 1 mg (6 tabs/28 days) Granisetron† (formerly Kytril®) Injectable Ondansetron† (generic) Oral Solution 4 mg/5 ml Sancuso® 3.1 mg/24 hrs Transdermal Patch (granisetron) (Qty Limit = 1 patch/28 days) Zofran®* (ondansetron) Injection	**Akynzeo:** Has a diagnosis of nausea and vomiting associated with cancer chemotherapy AND patient has a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure of a regimen consisting of a 5-HT3 antagonist, an NK1 antagonist, and dexamethasone **Anzemet:** has a diagnosis of nausea and vomiting associated with cancer chemotherapy. AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to generic ondansetron. **Granisetron:** patient has a diagnosis of nausea and vomiting associated with cancer chemotherapy or radiotherapy. AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to generic ondansetron. **Zofran:** The patient has a diagnosis of nausea and vomiting associated with cancer chemotherapy, radiotherapy, post-operative nausea and vomiting (1 time only) or hyperemesis gravadarum. AND patient must have a documented intolerance to

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	Zofran®* (ondansetron) Oral Tablets and ODT 4 mg (12 tabs/28 days), 8 mg (6 tabs/28 days) Zofran® (ondansetron) Oral Solution 4 mg/5 ml Zuplenz® (ondansetron) Oral Soluble Film *(Quantity Limit =12 films/28 days (4 mg), 6 films/28 days (8 mg))*	the corresponding generic ondansetron product (tablets, orally disintegrating tablets (ODT), oral solution or injection). If the request is for oral solution, the patient must be unable to use ondansetron ODT or ondansetron tablets. **Ondansetron Oral Sol:** patient has a diagnosis of nausea and vomiting associated with cancer chemotherapy, radiotherapy, post-operative nausea and vomiting (1 time only) or hyperemesis gravadarum. AND patient is unable to use ondansetron ODT or ondansetron tablets. **Sancuso:** patient has a diagnosis of nausea and vomiting associated with cancer chemotherapy. AND prescriber provides documentation of medical necessity for the transdermal formulation. OR patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with generic ondansetron. **Zuplenz:** patient has a diagnosis of nausea and vomiting associated with cancer chemotherapy or radiotherapy. AND prescriber provides documentation of medical necessity for the specialty dosage form (i.e. inability to swallow tablets, dysphagia) AND a clinical rationale as to why ondansetron ODT is not a suitable option for the patient. **CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL (to exceed quantity limit):** **Ondansetron/Zofran 4 mg and 8 mg tablets and ODT, Zuplenz:** For nausea and vomiting associated with chemotherapy or radiation therapy, 3 tablets for each day of chemotherapy/radiation and 3 tablets for each day for 2 days after completion of chemotherapy/radiation may be approved. **Ondansetron/Zofran 4 mg and 8 mg tablets and ODT:** For hyperemesis gravadarum, three tablets per day of 4 mg or 8 mg may be approved for 3 months. **Anzemet:** For nausea and vomiting associated with chemotherapy, 1 tablet for each day of chemotherapy and 1 tablet for 2 days after completion of chemotherapy may be approved. **Granisetron:** For nausea and vomiting associated with chemotherapy, 2 tablets for each day of chemotherapy and 2 tablets for 2 days after completion of chemotherapy may be approved. OR For nausea and vomiting associated with radiation therapy, 2 tablets for each day of radiation may be approved.

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		Sancuso: For nausea and vomiting associated with chemotherapy, 1 patch for each chemotherapy cycle may be approved. **Limitations:** Aloxi and Anzemet injection are not considered outpatient medications and are not covered in the pharmacy benefit.
MISCELLANEOUS (PREGNANCY)		
	Diclegis® (10 mg doxylamine succinate and 10 mg pyridoxine hydrochloride) DR tablet *(QL= 4 tablets/day)*	Patient has a diagnosis of nausea and vomiting of pregnancy AND Patient has tried and had an inadequate response to conservative management (i.e. change in dietary habits, ginger, or acupressure) AND Patient has tried and had an inadequate response to generic doxylamine and generic pyridoxine (Vitamin B6) AND Patient has tried and had an inadequate response to generic ondansetron.
NK1 ANTAGONISTS		
Preferred Agents after Clinical Criteria are Met EMEND® (aprepitant) 40 mg (1 cap/28 days) ♣EMEND® (aprepitant) 80 mg (2 caps/28 days) ♣EMEND® (aprepitant) 125 mg (1 cap/28 days) ♣EMEND® (aprepitant) Tri-fold Pack (1 pack/28 days) ♣ *To be prescribed by oncology practitioners ONLY*		**Emend (aprepitant) 80 mg, 125 mg, Tri-Fold pack:** medication will be prescribed by an oncology practitioner. AND patient requires prevention of nausea and vomiting associated with moderate to highly emetogenic cancer chemotherapy. AND The requested quantity does not exceed one 125 mg and two 80 mg capsules OR one Tri-Fold Pack per course of chemotherapy. Patients with multiple courses of chemotherapy per 28 days will be approved quantities sufficient for the number of courses of chemotherapy. **Emend 40mg:** patient requires prevention of postoperative nausea and vomiting. AND The requested quantity does not exceed one 40 mg capsule per surgery or course of anesthesia. Patients with multiple surgeries or courses of anesthesia in

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		a 28 day period will be approved quantities sufficient for the number of surgeries or courses of anesthesia.
THC DERIVATIVES		
	Dronabinol† (compare to Marinol®) Marinol® (dronabinol) Cesamet® (nabilone)	**Pharmacology:** Marinol® is a schedule III cannabinoid agent containing the same active ingredient, tetrahydrocannabinol, as marijuana. While its exact mechanism of action is unknown, it is speculated to inhibit medullary activity as well as suppress prostaglandin and endorphan synthesis. Cesamet® is a schedule II synthetic cannabinoid that acts by activating the endocannabinoid receptors, CB1 and CB2, which are involved in nausea/vomiting regulation. Both Marinol® and Cesamet® are FDA-approved for use in chemotherapy associated nausea and vomiting refractory to conventional antiemetics. In addition, Marinol® is indicated for patients with AIDS-related anorexia or wasting syndrome. **Dronabinol. Marinol:**patient has a diagnosis of chemotherapy-induced nausea/vomiting.AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to at least 2 antiemetic agents, of which, one must be a preferred 5HT3 receptor antagonist. If the request is for Marinol, the patient must additionally have a documented intolerance to generic dronabinol. OR patient has a diagnosis of AIDS associated anorexia. AND patient has had an adequate response, adverse reaction, or contraindication to megestrol acetate. If the request is for Marinol, the patient must additionally have a documented intolerance to generic dronabinol. **Cesamet:** patient has a diagnosis of chemotherapy-induced nausea/vomiting. AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to at least 2 antiemetic agents, of which, one must be a preferred 5HT3 receptor antagonist.
ANTI-HYPERTENSIVES		
ACE INHIBITORS		

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BENAZEPRIL† (compare to Lotensin®) CAPTOPRIL† (formerly Capoten®) ENALAPRIL† (compare to Vasotec®) EPANED® (enalapril) oral solution (age < 12 years old) FOSINOPRIL† (formerly Monopril®) LISINOPRIL† (compare to Zestril®, Prinivil®) MOEXIPRIL† (compare to Univasc®) QUINAPRIL† (compare to Accupril®) RAMIPRIL† (compare to Altace®) TRANDOLAPRIL† (compare to Mavik®)	Accupril®*(quinapril) Aceon® (perindopril) Altace®* (ramipril) Epaned® (enalapril) oral solution (age ≥ 12 years old) Lotensin®* (benazepril) Mavik®* (trandolapril) perindopril† (compare to Aceon®) Prinivil®* (lisinopril) Univasc®* (moexipril) Vasotec®* (enalapril) Zestril®* (lisinopril)	**Epaned Oral Solution (Patients > 12 years old):** patient has a requirement for an oral liquid dosage form (i.e. swallowing disorder, inability to take oral medications). **Other ACE Inhibitors:** patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to all available preferred generic ACEI. If a medication has an AB rated generic, there must have been a trial of the generic formulation.
ACE INHIBITOR W/ HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE		
BENAZEPRIL/HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE† (compare to Lotensin HCT®) ENALAPRIL/HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE† (compare to Vaseretic®)	Accuretic®* (quinapril/HCTZ) Lotensin HCT®* (benazepril/HCTZ) Vaseretic®* (enalapril/HCTZ) Zestoretic®* (lisinopril/HCTZ)	**ACE Inhibitor/Hydrochlorothiazide combinations:** patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to all available preferred generic ACEI/Hydrochlorothiazide combination. If a medication has an AB rated generic, there must have been a trial of the generic formulation. **Limitations:** Captopril/HCTZ combination not covered. Agents may be prescribed

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FOSINOPRIL/HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE† (formerly Monopril HCT®) LISINOPRIL/HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE† (compare to Zestoretic®, MOEXIPRIL/HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE† (formerly Uniretic®) QUINAPRIL/HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE† (compare to Accuretic®)		seperately
ACE INHIBITOR W/CALCIUM CHANNEL BLOCKER		
AMLODIPINE/BENAZEPRIL † (compare to Lotrel®) TRANDOLAPRIL/VERAPAMIL (Tarka®)	Lotrel®* amlodipine/(benazepril) Tarka® (trandolopril/verapamil)	**ACE Inhibitor/Calcium Channel Blocker combination:** patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with a preferred ACEI/Calcium Channel Blocker combination. If an indication has an AB rated generic, the trial must be the genericformulation.
ANGIOTENSIN RECEPTOR BLOCKERS (ARBs)		
Preferred Agents after Clinical Criteria are Met BENICAR® (olmesartan) § DIOVAN® (valsartan) §	Atacand® (candesartan) Avapro® (irbesartan) candesartan† (compare to Atacand®)§ Cozaar® (losartan)	**Benicar, Diovan, Irbesartan, Losartan, andMicardis:** patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.) OR patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to an angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitor (ACEI), an ACEI combination or any other angiotensin receptor blocker (ARB) or ARB combination. **Atacand, Avapro, Candasartan, Edarbi, Eprosartan, Telmisartan, and**

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IRBESARTAN† (compare to Avapro®) § LOSARTAN† (compare to Cozaar®) § Micardis® (telmisartan)	Edarbi® (azilsartan) Tablet *(Qty Limit = 1 tablet/day)* Eprosartan† (compare toTeveten®) § TELMISARTAN† (compare to Micardis®) § Teveten® (eprosartan) valsartan† (compare to Diovan®)	**Teveten:** patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization OR patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with a preferred Angiotensin Receptor Blocker (ARB) or ARB combination. AND If brand name product with generic available, the patient has had a documented intolerance with the generic product. **Cozaar (Brand):** patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to an angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitor (ACEI), an ACEI combination or any other angiotensin receptor blocker (ARB) or ARB combination. AND patient has had a documented intolerance with the generic product. **Valsartan:** patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to an angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitor (ACEI), an ACEI combination or any other angiotensin receptor blocker (ARB) or ARB combination. AND patient has had a documented intolerance with the brand product (Diovan)
ANGIOTENSIN RECEPTOR BLOCKER/DIURETIC COMBINATIONS		
Preferred Agents after Clinical Criteria are Met BENICAR HCT® (olmesartan/hydrochorothiazide) § IRBESARTAN/HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE† (compare to Avalide®)§ LOSARTAN/HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE †	**Non- Preferred Agents after Clinical Criteria are Met** Atacand HCT® (candesartan/hydrochlorothiazide) Avalide® (irbesartan/hydrochlorothiazide) candesartan/hydrochlorothiazide † (compare to	**Benicar HCT, Irbesartan/HCTZ, Losartan/HCTZ, Micardis HCT, and Valsartan/HCTZ:** patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.) OR patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to an angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitor (ACEI), an ACEI combination

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(compare to Hyzaar®)§ Micardis HCT® (telmisartan/hydrochlorothiazide) VALSARTAN/HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE † (compare to Diovan HCT®)§	Atacand HCT®)§ Diovan HCT® (valsartan/hydrochlorothiazide) Edarbyclor® (azilsartan/chlorthalidone) Tablet *(Qty Limit = 1 tablet/day)* Hyzaar® (losartan/hydrochlorothiazide) TELMISARTAN/HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE † (compare to Micardis HCT®) § Teveten HCT® (eprosartan/hydrochlorothiazide) §	or any other angiotensin receptor blocker (ARB) or ARB combination. **Avalide, Diovan HCT, and Telmisartan HCT:** patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization OR patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with a preferred Angiotensin Receptor Blocker (ARB) or ARB combination. AND If brand name product with generic available, the patient has had a documented intolerance with the generic product. **Atacand HCT, candasartan/HCTZ, Teveten HCT:** patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.) OR patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with a preferred ARB/Hydrochlorothiazide combination. AND If the request is for Atacand HCT, the patient has had a documented intolerance with the generic product. **Hyzaar:** patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to an angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitor (ACEI), an ACEI combination or any other angiotensin receptor blocker (ARB) or ARB combination. AND patient has had a documented intolerance with the generic product. **Edarbyclor:** patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.) OR patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with a preferred Angiotensin Receptor Blocker (ARB) or ARB combination. AND patient is unable to take the individual components separately

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ANGIOTENSIN RECEPTOR BLOCKER/CALCIUM CHANNEL BLOCK COMBINATIONS		
Preferred Agents after Clinical Criteria are Met VALSARTAN/AMLODIPINE† (compare to Exforge®)§ *(QL= 1tab/day)* Exforge® (valsartan/amlodipine)§ *(QL = 1 tab/day)*	Non- Preferred Agents after Clinical Criteria are Met Azor®(olmesartan/amlodipine) *(QL = 1 tablet/day)* amlodipine/telmisartan† (compare to Twynsta®) *(QL = 1 tablet/day)* Twynsta® (amlodipine/telmisartan) *(QL = 1 tablet/day)*	**Valsartan/amlodipine:** patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.) OR patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to an angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitor (ACEI), an ACEI combination or any other angiotensin receptor blocker (ARB) or ARB combination. **Exforge:** patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization OR patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with a preferred Angiotensin Receptor Blocker (ARB) or ARB combination. AND If brand name product with generic available, the patient has had a documented intolerance with the generic product. **Azor, Amlodipine/Telmisartan, Twynsta:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to an angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitor (ACEI), an ACEI combination or any other angiotensin receptor blocker (ARB) or ARB combination. AND patient is unable to take the individual components separately. AND If the request is for Twynsta, the patient has a documented intolerance to generic amlodipine/telmisartan.
ANGIOTENSIN RECEPTOR BLOCKER/DIRECT RENIN INHIBITOR COMBINATIONS		
	Non- Preferred Agents after Clinical Criteria are Met Valturna® (aliskiren/valsartan) *(Qty Limit = 1 tablet/day)*	**Valturna:** patient is NOT a diabetic AND patient has a diagnosis of hypertension.

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		AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to an angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitor (ACEI), an ACEI combination or any other angiotensin receptor blocker (ARB) or ARB combination. OR patient has had a documented treatment failure with Tekturna alone.
ANGIOTENSIN RECEPTOR BLOCKER/CALCIUM CHANNEL BLOCKER/HCTZ COMBO		
Preferred Agents after Clinical Criteria are Met EXFORGE HCT® (amlodipine/valsartan/hydrochlorothiazide) § *(Quantity Limit = 1 tablet/day)* VALSARTAN/AMLODIPINE/HCTZ† (compare to Exforge HCT®) (QL = 1/day)	Non- Preferred Agents after Clinical Criteria are Met Tribenzor® (amlodipine/olmesartan/hydrochlorothiazide) *(QL = 1 tablet/day)*	**Exforge HCT:** patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.) OR patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to an angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitor (ACEI), an ACEI combination or any other angiotensin receptor blocker (ARB) or ARB combination. **Tribenzor:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to an angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitor (ACEI), an ACEI combination or any other angiotensin receptor blocker (ARB) or ARB combination. AND patient is unable to take the individual components separately.
ANGIOTENSIN RECEPTOR BLOCKER/MISCELLANEOUS COMBINATIONS		
Preferred Agent after clinical criteria is met ENTRESTO® (valsartan/sacubitril) (QL = 2 tabs/day)		**Entresto®:** Diagnosis of chronic heart failure NYHA Class II-IV AND Age ≥ 18 years of age AND left ventricular ejection fraction ≤ 40% AND no history of angioedema or unacceptable side effects during receipt of ACE inhibitor or ARB AND not to be used concomitantly with aliskiren in patients with diabetes or concurrently with an ACE inhibitor or other ARB AND no severe hepatic impairment (Child-Pugh C).
BETA BLOCKERS		

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SINGLE AGENT ACEBUTOLOL† (compare to Sectral®) ATENOLOL† (compare to Tenormin®) BETAXOLOL† (compare to Kerlone®) BISOPROLOL FUMARATE† (compare to Zebeta®) CARVEDILOL† (compare to Coreg®) Innopran XL® (propranolol SR) LABETALOL† (compare to Trandate®) METOPROLOL TARTRATE† (compare to Lopressor®) METOPROLOL SUCCINATE XL† (compare to Toprol XL®) NADOLOL† (compare to Corgard®) PINDOLOL† (formerly Visken®) PROPRANOLOL† (formerly Inderal®)	Betapace®* (sotalol) Betapace AF®* (sotalol) Bystolic® (nebivolol) *(QL = 1 tablet/day for 2.5 mg, 5 mg and 10 mg tablet strengths, 2 tablets/day for 20 mg tab)* Coreg®* (carvedilol) Coreg CR® (carvedilol CR) *(QL = 1 tablet/day* Corgard®* (nadolol) Hemangeol® oral solution (propranolol) Inderal LA®* (propranolol ER) Inderal XL® (propranolol SR) Kerlone®* (betaxolol) Levatol® (penbutolol) Lopressor®* (metoprolol tartrate) PROPRANOLOL ER† (compare to Inderal LA®) Sectral®* (acebutolol) Sorine® (sotalol) Tenormin®* (atenolol) TIMOLOL† (formerly Blocadren®) Toprol XL®* (metoprolol succinate XL)	**Non-preferred drugs (except Coreg CR):** patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to at least three preferred drugs. (If a medication has an AB rated generic, one trial must be the generic formulation.) **Coreg CR:** Indication: Heart Failure: patient has been started and stabilized on Coreg CR. (Note: Samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.) OR patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to metoprolol SR or bisoprolol. AND patient has been unable to be compliant with or tolerate twice daily dosing of carvedilol IR. Indication; Hypertention: patient has been started and stabilized on Coreg CR. (Note: Samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.) OR patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to 3(three) preferred anti-hypertensive beta-blockers.

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SOTALOL† (compare to Betapace®, Betapace AF®) **BETA-BLOCKER/DIURETIC COMBINATION** ATENOLOL/CHLORTHALIDONE † (compare to Tenoretic®) BISOPROLOL/HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE† (compare to Ziac®) METOPROLOL/HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE† (compare to Lopressor HCT®)	Trandate®* (labetaolol) Zebeta®* (bisoprolol) Corzide®* (nadolol/bendroflumethiazide) Lopressor HCT®* (metoprolol/HCTZ) Propranolol/HCTZ† (formerly Inderide®) Tenoretic®* (atenolol/chlorthalidone) Ziac®* (bisoprolol/HCTZ) DUTOPROL® (metoprolol succinate XR/hydrochlorothiazide) NADOLOL/BENDROFLUMETHIAZIDE† (compare to Corzide®)	
CALCIUM CHANNEL BLOCKERS		
SINGLE AGENT **Dihydropyridines** AFEDITAB® CR † (nifedipine SR, compare to Adalat® CC) AMLODIPINE † (compare to Norvasc®) FELODIPINE ER† (formerly Plendil®) NICARDIPINE † (formerly Cardene®) NIFEDIAC® CC † (nifedipine SR, compare to Adalat® CC) NIFEDICAL® XL † (nifedipine SR osmotic,	Adalat® CC* (nifedipine SR) Isradipine (formerly Dynacirc®) Nisoldipine ER† (compare to Sular®) Norvasc®* (amlodipine) Nymalize® (nimodipine) Oral Solution Procardia®* (nifedipine IR) Procardia XL®* (nifedipine SR osmotic) Sular® (nisoldipine)	**Criteria for appproval (except as noted below:)** patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to at least three preferred drugs. (If a medication has an AB rated generic, one trial must be the generic formulation.) **Nymalize:** patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.) OR patient has a medical necessity for a specialty dosage form (i.e. dysphagia, swallowing disorder).

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compare to Procardia® XL) NIFEDIPINE IR † (compare to Procardia®) NIFEDIPINE SR osmotic † (compare to Procardia® XL) NIFEDIPINE SR † (compare to Adalat® CC) NIMODIPINE † (compare to Nimotop®)		
Miscellaneous CARTIA® XT † (diltiazem SR, compare to Cardizem® CD) DILT-CD® † (diltiazem SR, compare to Cardizem® CD)	Calan®* (verapamil) Calan® SR* (verapamil CR) Cardizem®* (diltiazem) Cardizem® CD* (diltiazem SR) Cardizem® LA (diltiazem SR)	
	Diltiazem ER†/Matzin LA† (compare to Cardizem® LA)	
DILT-XR® † (diltiazem SR) DILTIAZEM† (compare to Cardizem®) DILTIAZEM ER† (formerly Cardizem® SR) DILTIAZEM ER† (compare to Tiazac®) DILTIAZEM SR † (compare to Cardizem®CD) DILTIAZEM SR † TAZTIA® XT † (diltiazem ER, compare to Tiazac®) VERAPAMIL† (compare to Calan®)	Tiazac®* (diltiazem ER) Verelan®* (verapamil SR 120 mg, 180 mg, 240 mg and 360 mg) Verelan® PM* (100 mg, 200 mg and 300 mg)	

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VERAPAMIL CR† (compare to Calan SR® VERAPAMIL SR† 120 mg, 180 mg 240 mg and 360 mg (compare to Verelan®) VERAPAMIL SR† 100 mg, 200 mg, 300mg (compare to Verelan PM®)		
CALCIUM CHANNEL BLOCKER/OTHER COMBINATION **(preferred after clinical criteria are met)** EXFORGE HCT® (amlodipine/valsartan/hydrochlorothiazide) § *(Quantity Limit = 1 tablet/day)* VALSARTAN/AMLODIPINE† (compare to Exforge®)§ *(Quantity Limit = 1 tablet/day)* VALSARTAN/AMLODIPINE/HCTZ† (compare to Exforge HCT®) (QL = 1/day)	Azor® (olmesartan/amlodipine) *(QL = 1 tablet/day)* amlodipine/telmisartan† (compare to Twynsta®) *(QL = 1 tablet/day)* Tribenzor® (amlodipine/olmesartan/hydrochlorothiazide) *(QL = 1 tablet/day)* Twynsta® (amlodipine/telmisartan) *(QL = 1 tablet/day)* Amlodipine/atorvastatin † (compare to Caduet®) *(Qty Limit = 1 tablet/day)* Caduet® (amlodipine/atorvastatin) *(Qty Limit = 1 tablet/day)* Exforge® (valsartan/amlodipine) *(Quantity Limit = 1 tablet/day)*	**Azor, Amlodipine/Telmisartan, Tribenzor, Twynsta:** patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to an angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitor (ACEI), an ACEI combination or any other angiotensin receptor blocker (ARB) or ARB combination AND patient is unable to take the individual components separately. AND If the request is for Twynsta, the pastient has a documented intolerance to generic amlodipine/telmisartan. **Amlodipine/atorvastatin, Caduet:** prescriber must provide a clinically valid reason for the use of the requested medication. For approval of Caduet, the patient must have also had a documented intolerance to the generic quivalent. For combinations containing 40 mg or 80 mg atorvastatin, the individual generic components are available without PA and should be prescribed. **Exforge, Exforge HCT:** patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.) OR patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or reatment failure to an angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitor (ACEI), an ACEI combination or any other angiotensin receptor blocker (ARB) or ARB combination.
CENTRAL ALPHA AGONISTS		

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ORAL **Tablet** CLONDIDNE IR† Tablets (compare to Catapress®) GUANFACINE IR† Tablets (compare to Tenex®) METHYLDOPA† Tablets **Suspension**	Catapres®* (clonidine) Tablet Nexiclon XR® (clonidine) Extended Release Tablets *(Quantity Limit = 3 tablets/day)* Tenex®* (guanfacine) Tablets Nexiclon XR® (clonidine) Extended Release Suspension	**Catapres, Tenex:** Patient has a documented intolerance to the generic product. **Nexiclon XR Tabs:** patient has a diagnosis of hypertension. AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to at least TWO agents (either separately or as a combination product) from the following antihypertensive classes: a thiazide diuretic, a beta blocker, an angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitor (ACEI), angiotensin receptor blocker (ARB), or a calcium channel blocker (CCB). AND patient has been unable to be adherent to or tolerate twice daily dosing of the generic clonidine immediate-release tablets. **Nexiclon XR Oral Susp:** patient has a diagnosis of hypertension AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to at least TWO agents (either separately or as a combination product) from the following antihypertensive classes: a thiazide diuretic, a beta blocker, an angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitor (ACEI), angiotensin receptor blocker (ARB), or a calcium channel blocker (CCB). AND patient has a medical necessity for a specialty dosage form (i.e. dysphagia, swallowing disorder.
TRANSDERMAL	Catapres-TTS® (clonidine) Transdermal Patch *(Qty Limit = 1 patch/7 days)* Clonidine (compare to Catapres-TTS) Transdermal Patch *(Qty Limit = 1 patch/7 days)*	**Clonidine Patches (generic):** patient has a medical necessity for a specialty topical dosage form (i.e. dysphasia, swallowing disorder, compliance, nausea/vomiting). **Catapres-TTS Patches:** patient has a medical necessity for a specialty topical dosage form (i.e. dysphasia, swallowing disorder, compliance, nausea/vomiting). AND patient has a documented intolerance to the generic product.
GANGLIONIC BLOCKERS		
All products require a PA	Vecamyl®* (mecamylamine) Tablet	**Vecamyl tabs:** Patient has a diagnosis of moderately severe or severe hypertension AND patient has tried and failed, intolerant to, or contraindicated to at least

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		THREE different antihypertension thapies of different mechanism of actions.
RENIN INHIBITOR		
	SINGLE AGENT Tekturna® (aliskiren) *(Quantity Limit = 1 tablet/day)* COMBINATIONS Amturnide® (aliskiren/amlodipine/hydrochlorothiazide) *(Qty Limit = 1 tab/day)* Tekamlo® (aliskiren/amlodipine) *(Qty Limit = 1 tablet/day)* Tekturna HCT® (aliskiren/hydrochlorothiazide) *(Quantity Limit = 1 tablet/day)*	**Tekturna:** patient is NOT a diabetic who will continue on therapy with an ACEI or ARB AND patient has a diagnosis of hypertension. AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with an angiotensin Receptor Blocker (ARB). Note: Approval of an ARB requires a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with an Angiotensin Converting Enzyme (ACE) inhibitor. **Amturnide, Tekalmo, Tekturna HCT:** patient is NOT a diabetic who will continue on therapy with an ACEI or AND patient has a diagnosis of hypertension. AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with an Angiotensin Receptor Blocker (ARB). Note: Approval of an ARB requires a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with an Angiotensin Converting Enzyme (ACE) inhibitor. OR patient has had a documented treatment failure with Tekturna® alone.
ANTI-INFECTIVES ANTIBIOTICS		
CEPHALOSPORINS 1ST GENERATION		
CAPSULES/TABLETS CEFADROXIL† Capsules, Tablets (formerly Duricef®) CEPHALEXIN† Capsules (compare to Keflex®)	Cephalexin® Tablets Keflex®* (cephalexin) Capsules	**Cephalexin Tabs:** patient has had a documented intolerance to cephalexin generic capsules. **Keflex:** patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to

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SUSPENSION CEFADROXIL† Suspension (formerly Duricef®) CEPHALEXIN† Suspension (formerly Keflex®) IV drugs are not managed at this time		generic cefadroxil and cephalexin. **Limitations:** Cephalexin and Keflex 750 mg dosage strength not covered. Use alternative strengths.
CEPHALOSPORINS 2ND GENERATION		
CAPSULES/TABLETS CEFACLOR† CAPSULE CEFPROZIL† (formerly Cefzil®) TABLET CEFUROXIME † (compare to Ceftin®) TABLET **SUSPENSION** CEFACLOR SUSPENSION CEFPROZIL† (formerly Cefzil®) SUSPENSION IV drugs are not managed at this time	Cefaclor® ER Tablet Ceftin®* (cefuroxime) tablet Ceftin® (cefuroxime) suspension	**Cefaclor ER Tabs:** patient has had a documented intolerance to cefaclor capsules. **Ceftin Tabs:** patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to at least two of the following medications: cefaclor, cefprozil, and cefuroxime. One trial must be the generic formulation. **Ceftin Suspension:** patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to both of the following suspensions: cefaclor and cefprozil.
CEPHALOSPORINS 3RD GENERATION		
CAPSULES/TABLETS CEFDINIR† (formerly Omnicef®) CAPSULE CEFPODOXIME PROXETIL† (formerly Vantin®) TABLET SUPRAX® (cefixime) TABLET	Cedax® (ceftibuten) capsule ceftibuten†capsule (compare to Cedax®) Suprax® (cefixime) Capsule Suprax® (cefixime) Chewable Tablets	**Spectracef tablet, Cedax® Capsule, Cefditoren tablet, Ceftibuten capsule:** patient is completing a course of therapy which was initiated in the hospital. OR patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to both cefpodoxime and cefdinir. AND If the request is for Spectracef, the patient has a documented intolerance with generic cefditoren tablets. **Cedax Susp, Ceftibuten Susp:** patient is completing a course of therapy which was

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SUSPENSION CEFDINIR† (formerly Omnicef®) SUSPENSION CEFIXIME SUSPENSION CEFPODOXIME PROXETIL† (formerly Vantin®) SUSPENSION SUPRAX® (cefixime) suspension IV drugs are not managed at this time	Cedax® (ceftibuten) suspension ceftibuten†suspension (compare to Cedax®)	initiated in the hospital. OR patient has had a documented side effect or treatment failure to both cefdinir and cefpodoxime suspensions.
KETOLIDES		
	Ketek® (telithromycin)	**Ketek:** member is continuing a course of therapy initiated while an inpatient at a hospital. OR diagnosis or indication for the requested medication is community-acquired pneumonia. AND member is at least 18 years of age at the time of the request. AND member has no contraindication or a history of hypersensitivity or serious adverse event, from any macrolide antibiotic. AND Infection is due to documented Streptococcus pneumoniae (including multi-drug resistant [MDRSP*] s.pneumoniae), Haemophilus influenzae, Moraxella catarrhalis, Chlamydophila pneumoniae, or Mycoplasma pneumoniae AND member has had a documented therapeutic failure with all clinically appropriate alternatives. AND member does not have any of the following medical conditions:

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		myasthenia gravis, hepatitis or underlying liver dysfunction, history of arrhythmias (e.g. QTc prolongation, or antiarrhythmic therapy), uncorrected hypokalemia or hypomagnasemia, clinically significant bradycardia, a history of therapy with Class IA (e.g. quinidine or procainamide) or Class III (e.g. dofetilide) antiarrhythmic medications.
MACROLIDES		
Azithromycin AZITHROMYCIN† tabs, liquid (≤ 5 day supply) (compare to Zithromax®) (Maximum 10 days therapy/30 days)	azithromycin† tablets and liquid (if > 5 day supply) (compare to Zithromax®) (Maximum 10 days therapy/30 days) Azithromycin† packet (compare to Zithromax®) *(QL = 2 grams/fill)* Zithromax®* (azithromycin) tablets and liquid *QL = 5 days supply/RX, maximum 10 days therapy/30 days* Zithromax® (azithromycin) packet *(QL=2 grams/fill)*	**Non-preferred agents (except as below):** patient has a documented side-effect, allergy, or treatment failure to at least two of the preferred medications. (If a product has an AB rated generic, one trial must be the generic.) OR patient is completing a course of therapy with the requested medication that was initiated in the hospital. **Azithromycin/Zithromax packets:** A clinically valid reason why the dose cannot be obtained using generic azithromycin tablets AND If the request is for brand Zithromax, the patient has a documented intolerance to the generic product. **Azithromycin > 5 day supply:** patient has a diagnosis of Lyme Disease AND has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to at least two of the following: doxycycline, amoxicillin, or a 2nd generation cephalosporin. For early Lyme disease, without neurologic or rheumatologic (arthritis) complications, the length of authorization is up to 10 days. For neurologic or rheumatologic Lyme disease, the length of authorization is up to 28 days OR patient has a diagnosis of Cystic Fibrosis. (length of authorization up to 6 months) OR patient has a diagnosis of HIV/immunocompromised status and azithromycin is being used for MAC or Toxoplasmosis treatment or prevention. (length of authorization up to 6 months) OR patient has a diagnosis of bacterial sinusitis AND has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to penicillin, amoxicillin, or
Clarithromycin CLARITHROMYCIN† (compare to Biaxin®)	Zmax® Suspension (azithromycin extended release for oral suspension) *QL = 5 days supply/RX, maximum 10 days therapy/30 days* Biaxin®* (clarithromycin) Clarithromycin SR† (compare to Biaxin® XL)	

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Erythromycin **Fidaxomicin** IV drugs are not managed at this time	E.E.S®† (erythromycin ethylsuccinate) ERY-TAB® (erythromycin base, delayed release) ERYTHROMYCIN BASE† ERYTHROMYCIN ETHYLSUCCINATE† (compare to E.E.S®) Eryped® (erythromycin ethylsuccinate) Erythrocin (erythromycin stearate) PCE Dispertab® (erythromycin base) Dificid® (fidaxomicin) tablet *(Quantity limit =2 tablets per day, 10 day supply per 30 days)*	sulfamethoxazole/trimethoprim (Bactrim). (length of authorization up to 10 days) OR patient has a diagnosis of severe bronchiectasis with frequent exacerbations (length of authorization up to 6 months) **Dificid:** patient's diagnosis or indication is Clostridium difficile associated diarrhea (CDAD) AND patient has had a side-effect, allergy, treatment failure or contraindication to metronidazole. OR prescriber provides a clinically compelling rationale why metronidazole is not appropriate for the patient. (E.g. patient has severe Clostridium difficile infection, history of recurrent infections). AND patient has had a side-effect, allergy, treatment failure or contraindication to oral vancomycin capsules (Vancocin).
OXAZOLIDINONES		
IV form of this medication not managed at this time	Sivextro® (tedizolid) (*Quantity limit = 1 tabs/day)* Zyvox® (linezolid) *(QL = 56 tablets per 28 days)* Zyvox® (linezolid) suspension (*QL = 60 ml/day, maximum 28 days supply)*	**Criteria for Approval:** patient has been started on intravenous or oral linezolid or tedizolid in the hospital and will be finishing the course of therapy in an outpatient setting OR patient has a documented blood, tissue, sputum, or urine culture that is positive for Vancomycin-Resistant Enterococcus (VRE) species. OR patient has a documented blood or sputum culture that is positive for Methicillin-Resistant Staphylococcus species OR patient has a documented tissue or urine culture that is positive for Methicillin-Resistant Staphylococcus AND patient has had a documented treatment failure with trimethoprim/sulfamethoxazole OR there is a clinically valid reason that the patient cannot be treated with trimethoprim/sulfamethoxazole.

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PENICILLINS (ORAL)		
SINGLE ENTITY AGENTS **Natural Penicillins** PENICILLIN V POTASSIUM† (formerly Veetids®) tablets, oral solution **Penicillinase-Resistant Penicillins** DICLOXACILLIN† Capsules **Aminopenicillins** AMOXICILLIN† (formerly Amoxil®) capsules, tablets, chewable tablets, suspension AMPICILLIN† (formerly Principen®) capsules, suspension **COMBINATION PRODUCTS** AMOXICILLIN/CLAVULANATE† (compare to Augmentin ®) tablets, chewable tablets, suspension AMOXICILLIN/CLAVULANATE† 600-42.9mg/5ml (formerlay Augmentin ES®) suspension	Moxatag® (amoxicillin extended release) tablet *QL =1 tablet/day* Amoxicillin/clavulanate† ER (compare to Augmentin XR®) tablets Augmentin®*♣ (amoxicillin/clavulanate) tablets, suspension Augmentin XR® (amoxicillin/clavulanate) tablets PA will be granted for 125 mg/5 mL strength for patients < 12 weeks of age	**Augmentin:** patient has had a documented intolerance to the generic formulation of the requested medication. OR patient is < 12 weeks of age and requires the 125 mg/5 mL strength of Augmentin. **Amoxicillin/Clavulanate ER, Augmentin XR, Moxatag**: prescriber must provide a clinically valid reason for the use of the requested medication. Additionally, for approval of brand Augmentin XR, the patient must have a documented intolerance to generic Amoxicillin/Clavulanate ER **Limitations:** Brand Augmentin® Chewable tablets do not offer Federal Rebate and therefore cannot be provided.
QUINOLONES		

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CIPROFLOXACIN† (compare to Cipro®) tabs, oral suspension LEVOFLOXACIN † (compare to Levaquin®) tabs, sol OFLOXACIN† IV drugs are not managed at this time	Avelox® (moxifloxacin HCL) Avelox ABC PACK® (moxifloxacin HCL) Cipro® * (ciprofloxacin) tabs, oral suspension Cipro XR® (ciprofloxacin) ciprofloxacin ER† (compare to Cipro XR®) Levaquin®* (levofloxacin) tabs,sol moxifloxacin† (compare to Avelox®)	**Cipro, Cipro XR, ciprofloxacin ER:** patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to generic ciprofloxacin immediate-release tablets or oral suspension. AND If the request is for Cipro XR or Cipro the patient has had a documented intolerance to the generic equivalent. **Avelox, Moxifloxacin:** patient is completing a course of therapy with the requested medication that was initiated in the hospital. OR patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to levofloxacin. AND If the request is for Avelox, the patient has had a documented intolerance to generic moxifloxacin. **Levaquin (brand):** patient has a documented intolerance with the generic levofloxacin
RIFAMYCINS		
	Xifaxan ® (rifaximin) 200 mg Tablets *(Qty limit depends on indication)* Xifaxan ® (rifaximin) 550 mg Tablets *(Qty limit depends on indication)*	**Criterial for Approval: Based on Indication:** **Hepatic Encephalopathy (Xifaxan 550 mg Tablets Only):** patient has a diagnosis of hepatic encephalopathy. AND Patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure or contraindication to lactulose. AND Quantity limit is 2 tablets/day (550 mg tablets only). **Traveller's Diarrhea (Xifaxan 200 mg Tablets Only**): patient has a diagnosis of traveller's diarrhea caused by noninvasive strains of Escherichia coli. AND Patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure or contraindication with a fluoroquinolone. AND Quantity limit is 9 tablets/RX (200 mg tablets only). **Small Intestinal Bacterial Overgrowth (Xifaxan 550 mg or 200 mg Tablets):** patient has a diagnosis of SIBO. AND Patient has attempted dietary modification and has had a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure or ontraindication

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		to (alone or in combination) one of the following: Amoxicillin-clavulanate, cephalosporin, metronidazole, fluoroquinolone, tetracycline, and trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole. AND Quantity limit is 800 mg to 1,200 mg/day. **Irritable Bowel Syndrome (Xifaxan 550 mg or 200 mg Tablets):** patient has a diagnosis of irritable bowel syndrome without constipation or with symptoms of bloating. AND Patient has attempted dietary modification and has had a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure or contraindication to two of the following classes (one of which must be an antibiotic): • Antibiotics (alone or in combination: amoxicillin-clavulanate, cephalosporin, metronidazole, fluoroquinolone, tetracycline, trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole) • SSRIs • TCAs • Antispasmodics • Antidiarrheals • Cholestyramine resin AND Quantity limit is 1,200 mg to 1,650 mg/day. **Inflammatory Bowel Disease: Crohn's Disease (Xifaxan 550 mg or 200 mg Tablets):** patient has a diagnosis of Crohn's Disease. AND Patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure or contraindication to two of the following: 6-mercaptopurine, aminosalicylates, azathioprine, corticosteroids, fluoroquinolone and/or metronidazole. AND Quantity limit is 600 mg to 1,600 mg/day. **Inflammatory Bowel Disease: Ulcerative Colitis (Xifaxan 200 mg Tablets):** patient has a diagnosis of Ulcerative Colitis. AND Patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure or contraindication to two of the following: 6-mercaptopurine, aminosalicylates, azathioprine, corticosteroids, fluoroquinolone and/or metronidazole. AND Quantity limit is 800 mg/day (4 x 200 mg tablets/day).

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		Clostridium difficile Diarrhea (Xifaxan 200 mg Tablets): patient has a diagnosis of C. difficile diarrhea. AND Patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure or contraindication to metronidazole. AND Quantity limit is 800 mg/day (4 x 200 mg tablets/day).
VANCOMYCIN		
IV vancomycin products are not managed at this time	Vancocin® (vancomycin) Capsules Vancomycin† (compare to Vancocin®) Capsules	**Criteria for Approval:** patient's diagnosis or indication is enterocolitis caused by Staphylococcus aureus. OR patient's diagnosis or indication is antibiotic-associated pseudomembranous colitis caused by Clostridium AND patient has had a therapeutic failure, adverse reaction or contraindication to metronidazole OR prescriber provides a clinically compelling rationale why metronidazole is not appropriate for the patient. (e.g. patient has severe Clostridium difficile infection, history of recurrent infections). AND For approval of brand Vancocin, the patient must meet the above criteria and have a documented intolerance to the generic.
ANTI-INFECTIVES ANTIFUNGAL		
ALLYLAMINES		
terbinafine† tabs (compare to Lamisil®) *QL = 30 tablets/month (therapy limit of 90 dqays)* Griseofulvin Microsize Cap, Tab, Susp, Powder	Griseofulvin Ultramicrosize TabletsLamisil® (terbinafine) granules *(QL: 125 mg packet (1 or 2 per day depending on dose) 187.5 mg packet (1 per*	**Griseofulvin:** patient had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with terbinafine tablets. **Lamisil Tabs:** , the patient must have a documented intolerance to generic

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	day) post PA approval) Lamisil® tablets (terbinafine HCL) *QL = 30 tablets/month*	terbinafine. **Lamisil Granules:** patient has a diagnosis of a Tinea capitis infection (confirmed with a positive KOH stain, PAS stain, or fungal culture). AND patient has a requirement for an oral liquid dosage form. AND patient had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with Griseofulvin suspension
AZOLES		
FLUCONAZOLE† (compare to Diflucan®) tabs, suspension KETOCONAZOLE† (formerly Nizoral®) tabs CLOTRIMAZOLE Troche† (compare to Mycelex®) IV drugs are not managed at this time.	Cresemba® (isavuconazonium) Caps Diflucan®* (fluconazole) tabs, suspension itraconazole† (compare to Sporanox®) caps Noxafil® (posaconazole) oral suspension Noxafil® (posaconazole) DR Tablets *(QL=93 tablets/30 days)* Onmel® (itraconazole) 200 mg tablet *(QL=1 tab/day)* Sporanox® (itraconazole) caps, solution VFend® (voriconazole) tabs, suspension voriconazole† (compare to VFend®) tabs, suspension	**Cresemba:** • **Diagnosis of either invasive aspergillosis or mucormycosis** • **Age ≥18 years old** • **Documented side effect, allergy, contraindication or treatment failure with voriconazole** • **Completion of regimen started by hospital** **Itraconazole 100mg/Sporanox:** patient has a diagnosis of invasive aspergillosis, blastomycosis, or histoplasmosis OR The patient has a diagnosis of a fingernail/toenail onychomycosis infection (confirmed with a positive KOH stain, PAS stain, fungal culture or physician clinical judgment) AND has a documented side-effect, allergy, contraindication, or treatment failure to oral terbinafine AND meets at least 1 of the following criteria: Pain to affected area that limits normal activity, Diabetes Mellitus, Patient is immunocompromised o Patient has diagnosis of systemic dermatosis, Patient has significant vascular compromise OR patient is completing a course of therapy with the requested medication that was initiated in the hospital. OR patient has a documented side-effect, allergy, or treatment failure to at least ONE of the preferred medications. For approval of Sporanox®capsules, the patient must have a documented intolerance to generic itraconazole. For approval of Sporanox solution, the

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		patient must have a medical necessity for a liquid dosage form. **Onmel 200mg:** patient has a diagnosis of a toenail onychomycosis infection (confirmed with a positive KOH stain, PAS stain, fungal culture or physician clinical judgment) AND has a documented side-effect, allergy, contraindication, or treatment failure to oral terbinafine AND there is a clinical reason that itraconazole 100 mg generic capsules cannot be used AND meets at least 1 of the following criteria: Pain to affected area that limits normal activity, Diabetes Mellitus, Patient has significant vascular compromise **Limitations:** Coverage of Onychomycosis agents will NOT be approved solely for cosmetic purposes. **Voriconazole/Vfend:** Patient has a diagnosis of invasive aspergillosis. OR patient is completing a course of therapy with the requested medication that was initiated in the hospital. OR patient has a documented side-effect, allergy, or treatment failure to ONE of the preferred medications AND itraconazole. AND For approval of Vfend® tablets, the patient must have a documented intolerance to generic voriconazole. AND For approval of voriconazolesuspenion, the patient must have a medical necessity for a liquid dosage form. For approval of Vfend® suspension, the patient must additionally have a documented intolerance to generic voriconazole suspension. **Noxafil:** patient has a diagnosis of HIV/immunocompromised status (neutropenia secondary to chemotherapy, hematopoietic stem cell transplant recipients) AND Noxafil is being used for the prevention of invasive Aspergillosis/Candida infections. OR patient is completing a course of therapy with the requested medication that was initiated in the hospital. OR Oral Suspension ONLY patient has a documented side-effect, allergy, or treatment failure to ONE of the preferred medications AND itraconazole AND the patient is being treated for oropharyngeal candidiasis.

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		Diflucan (brand): For approval of Diflucan brand name product, the patient must have a documented intolerance to generic fluconazole. Oravig: The indication for use is treatment of oropharyngeal candidasis. AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure/inadequate response to both nystatin suspension and clotrimazole troche. OR patient is unable to be compliant with the nystatin suspension and/or clotrimazole troche dosing schedules.
ANTI-INFECTIVES ANTIMALARIALS: QUININE		
	Quinine sulfate† (compare to Qualaquin®) Qualaquin® (quinine sulfate)	**Criteria for Approval**: diagnosis or indication is for the treatment of malaria. (Use for leg cramps not permitted.) AND If the request is for brand Qualaquin, the patient has a documented intolerance to the generic equivalent.
ANTI-INFECTIVES ANTI-VIRALS		
HERPES (ORAL)		
ACYCLOVIR† (compare to Zovirax®) VALACYCLOVIR † (compare to Valtrex®)	famciclovir † (compare to Famvir®)§ Famvir® (famciclovir) Sitavig® (acyclovir) Buccal Tablet *QL = 2 tablets/30 days* Valtrex®* (valacyclovir)	**Famciclovir, Zovirax:** patient has a documented side effect or allergy, or treatment failure (at least one course of ten or more days) with acyclovir AND valacyclovir. **Famvir:** patient has a documented side effect or allergy, or treatment failure (at least one course of ten or more days) with acyclovir AND valacyclovir. AND patient has a documented intolerance to generic famciclovir. **Sitavig:** patient has a diagnosis of recurrent herpes labialis (cold sores). AND

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	Zovirax®*(acyclovir) §	patient is immunocompetent AND patient has a documented side effect or treatment failure with acyclovir AND valacyclovir. **Valtrex:** patient has a documented intolerance to generic valacyclovir
INFLUENZA MEDICATIONS		
Preferred Agents after Clinical Criteria are Met RELENZA® (zanamivir) *QL= 20 blisters / 30 days* TAMIFLU® (oseltamivir) *QL=10 capsules/30 days(45 mg & 75 mg caps) 20 capsules / 30 days (30 mg caps) 180 ml (6 mg/ml) / 30 days (suspension)*		**Tamiflu, Relenza:** Tamiflu and Relenza will NOT require prior-authorization at this time when prescribed within the following quantity limits: **Relenza:** 20 blisters per 30 days **Tamiflu:** 75mg or 45mg: 10 caps per 30 day **Tamiflu:** 30mg: 20 caps per 30 days **Tamiflu:** Suspension (6mg/ml): 180ml (3 bottles) per 30 days **Limitations:** Amantadine, Flumadine and rimantadine are not CDC recommended for use in influenza treatment or chemoprophylaxis at this time and are not covered for this indication. For information regarding amantadine see "Parkinsons Medications". Flumadine/rimantadine is not covered for any indication.
INFLUENZA VACCINES		
SEASONAL Influenza Vaccine INJECTION **Inactivated Influenza Vaccine, Trivalent (IIV3), Standard Dose (egg based)** AFLURIA® Injection FLUARIX® Injection		**Flumist:** Flumist is being requested for influenza prophylaxis during flu season AND The patient is between the ages of 19 and 49 years old, AND Prescriber provides documentation of a contraindication to an intramuscular injection (e.g., currently on warfarin; history of thrombocytopenia) or other compelling information to support the use of this dosage form. **EXCLUDED FROM APPROVAL:** Hypersensitivity (severe allergy) to any

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VACCINES - OTHER		
Preferred after Age Limit is met Gardasil Zostavax		**Gardasil**: Covered for 19 years old to 26 years old (those under 19 should be referred to their pediatrician or PCP for state-supplied vacciene) **Zostavax:** Covered if ≥ 60 years of age Vaccines on the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) list of recommended vaccines for children ≤ 18 years of age are supplied through the Vaccines for Children program administered by the Vermont

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		Department of Health, and are not available through DVHA's pharmacy programs • Vaccines on the ACIP list of recommended vaccines for adults ≥ 19 years of age are available at many primary care provider offices and through the pharmacy programs. Vaccines are subject to the same limitations as the ACIP guideline recommendations. Providers who participate in the Blueprint for Health initiative must enroll in the Vaccines for Adults program administered by the Vermont Department of Health. The ACIP guidelines and information about enrollment in these programs can be found at http://healthvermont.gov/hc/imm/provider.aspx•Vaccines not on the recommended list may require Prior Authorization.
ANTI-MIGRAINE TRIPTANS		
Single Agent **ORAL** SUMATRIPTAN† (compare to Imitrex®) *Quantity Limit = 18 tablets/month (25 mg), 9 tablets/month (50 mg, 100 mg)* **After Sumatriptan Trial** Relpax® (eletriptan) 20 mg, 40 mg	Amerge® (naratriptan) 1 mg, 2.5 mg *Quantity Limit = 9 tablets/month* Axert® (almotriptan) *Quantity Limit = 6 tablets/month* Frova® (frovatriptan) 2.5 mg *Quantity Limit = 9 tablets/month* Imitrex®* (sumatriptan) *Quantity Limit = 18 tablets/month (25 mg), 9 tablets/month (50 mg, 100 mg),*	**Amerge, Axert, Frova, Imitrex, Maxalt, Maxalt MLT, Naratriptan, Zomig, Zomig ZMT, Zolmitriptan, Zolmitriptan ODT:** patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to Sumatriptan, Relpax,and Rizatriptan or Rizatriptan ODT. If the request is for brand Maxalt, Zomig, or Zomig ZMT, the patient must also have a documented intolerance to the generic product. **Relpax, Rizatriptan, Rizatriptan ODT:** patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with Sumatriptan. **Treximet:** patient had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with 2 preferred Triptans, AND patient is unable to take the individual components

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Quantity Limit = 12 tablets/month rizatriptan† (compare to Maxalt®) *Quantity Limit = 12 tablets/month* RIZATRIPTAN ODT† (compare to Maxalt-MLT®) § *Quantity Limit = 12 tablets/month* **NASAL SPRAY** IMITREX® (sumatriptan) *Quantity Limit =12 units/month (5 mg nasal spray),* *6 units/month (20 mg nasal spray)* **INJECTABLE**	Maxalt® (rizatriptan) 5 mg, 10 mg tablet *Quantity Limit = 12 tablets/month* Maxalt-MLT® (rizatriptan ODT) *Quantity Limit = 12 tablets/month* NARATRIPTAN† (compare to Amerge®) § (*Quantity Limit = 9 tablets/month)* Zomig® (zolmitriptan) tablets *Quantity Limit = 12 tablets/month (2.5 mg), 6 tablets/month (5 mg)* Zomig® ZMT (zolmitriptan ODT) *Quantity Limit = 12 tablets/month (2.5 mg), 6 tablets/month (5 mg)* Zolmitriptan† (compare to Zomig®) tablets *Quantity Limit = 12 tablets/month (2.5 mg), 6 tablets/month (5 mg)* Zolmitriptan† ODT (compare to Zomig® ZMT) *Quantity Limit = 12 tablets/month (2.5 mg), 6 tablets/month (5 mg)* Sumatriptan† (compare to Imitrex®) *Quantity Limit =12 units/month (5 mg nasal spray),* *6 units/month (20 mg nasal spray)* Zomig® (zolmitriptan) *Quantity Limit = 12 units/month (2.5 or 5 mg nasal spray)*	(sumatriptan and naproxen) separately. **Zomig Nasal Spray:** patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure of Imitrex Nasal Spray **Sumatriptan Nasal Spray:** patient has had a documented intolerance to brand Imitrex. **Alsuma, Sumatriptan, Sumavel Dose Pro Injections**: patient has had a documented intolerance to brand Imitrex. **To exceed quantity limits:** patient is taking a medication for migraine prophylaxis.

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IMITREX® (sumatriptan) *Quantity Limit =4 injections/month (4 or 6 mg injection)* **Combination Product (Oral)**	Alsuma® (sumatriptan) 6 mg/0.5ml *Quantity Limit =4 injections/month* sumatriptan (compare to Imitrex®) *Quantity Limit =4 injections/month (4 or 6 mg injection)* Sumavel DosePro® (sumatriptan) 6 mg/0.5ml, 4 mg/0.5 ml *Quantity Limit =4 injections/month* Treximet® (sumatriptan/naproxen) *Quantity Limit = 9 tablets/month*	
ANTI-OBESITY		
Effective 10/12/2011, anti-obesity agents (weight loss agents) are no longer a covered benefit for all Vermont Pharmacy Programs. This change is resultant from Drug Utilization Review (DUR) Board concerns regarding safety and efficacy of these agents.		
ANTI-PSYCHOTIC ATYPICAL & COMBINATIONS (CHILDREN < 18 YEARS OLD)		
Preferred After Clinical Criteria Are Met **TABLETS/CAPSULES** OLANZAPINE† (compare to Zyprexa®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 20 mg/day,*	Aripiprazole (compare to Abilify®) FDA maximum recommended dose=30mgday, QL = 1.5 tabs/day (5mg, 10mg, & 15mg) Abilify® (aripiprazole) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 30 mg/day,*	Criteria for approval: (Children < 18 years old) Note: all requests for patients < 5 years old will be reviewed by the DVHA Medical Director. **Target symptoms or Diagnosis that will be accepted for approval:** Target Symptoms - Grandiosity/euphoria/mania; Obsessions/compulsions; Psychotic

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Quantity limit = 1.5 tabs/day (2.5 mg, 5 mg, 7.5 mg & 10 mg tabs) RISPERIDONE† (compare to Risperdal®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 16 mg/day* QUETIAPINE† (compare to Seroquel®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 800 mg/day* ZIPRASIDONE† (compare to Geodon®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 160 mg/day* **Preferred Agents after Clinical Criteria are Met** **ORAL SOLUTIONS** RISPERIDONE† (compare to Risperdal®) oral solution *FDA maximum recommended dose = 16 mg/day*	*Quantity limit = 1.5 tabs/day (5 mg, 10 mg & 15 mg tabs)* Clozapine† (compare to Clozaril®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 900 mg/day* Clozaril® *(clozapine)* *FDA maximum recommended dose = 900 mg/day* Geodon® (ziprasidone) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 160 mg/day* Invega® (paliperidone) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 12 mg/day* *Quantity limit = 1 tab/day (3mg, 9mg), 2 tabs/day (6mg)* Risperdal® (risperidone) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 16 mg/day* Seroquel® (quetiapine) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 800 mg/day* Saphris® (asenapine) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 20mg/day QL = 2 tabs/ day* Seroquel XR® (quetiapine XR) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 800 mg/day* *Quantity Limit = 1 tab/day* *(150 mg & 200 mg tablet strengths), 2 tabs/day (50 mg strength)* Zyprexa® (olanzapine) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 20 mg/day,*	symptoms; Tics (motor or vocal). Diagnosis- Autism with Aggression and/or irritability; Bipolar Disorder; Intellectual Disability with Aggression and/or Irribility; Obsessive Compulsive Disorder; Schizophrenia/Schizoaffective Disorder; Tourette's Syndrome. **Preferred after clinical criteria are met: Tablets & Capsules:** **Olanzapine, Risperidone, Ziprasidone:** patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization). OR medication is being requsted for one of the target symptions or patient diagnoses listed above. **Quetiapine:** patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization). OR medicaiton is being requested for one of the target symptoms or patient diagnoses listed above. Note: Quetiapine will not be approved for indication of insomnia, for sleep or as a hypnotic. **Risperdone Oral Sol:** patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization). OR medication is being requested for one of the target symptoms or patient diagnoses listed above. **Non-Preferred:** **Invega/Saphris:** patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization). OR medication is being requested for one of the target symptoms or patient diagnoses listed above AND patient had had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with at least two preferred products after clinical criteria are met with products (typical or atypical antipsychotics) one of which is

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ORALLY DISINTEGRATING TABLETS	*Quantity limit = 1.5 tabs/day (2.5 mg, 5 mg, 7.5 mg & 10 mg tabs)* Abilify® (aripiprazole) oral solution *FDA maximum recommended dose = 25 mg/day* Risperdal® (risperidone) oral solution *FDA maximum recommended dose = 16 mg/day* Versacloz® (clozapine) Oral Suspension *FDA maximum recommended dose = 900 mg/day* *Quantity limit = 18 ml/day* Abilify® Discmelt (aripiprazole) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 30 mg/day,* *Quantity limit = 2 tabs/day (10 mg & 15 mg tabs)* clozapine orally disintegrating tablets† (Compare to FazaClo®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 900 mg/day* FazaClo® (clozapine orally disintegrating tablets) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 900 mg/day* Olanzapine orally disintegrating tablets† (compare to Zyprexa Zydis®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 20 mg/day,* *Quantity limit = 1.5 tabs/day (5 mg & 10 mg tabs)* Risperdal® M-Tab (risperidone orally disintegrating tablets)	risperidone. **Cloazaril, Geodon, Risperdal, Seroquel, Zyprezxa:** patients meets clinical criteria for the generic equivalent AND patient has a documented intolerance to the generic equivalent. **Clozapine:** patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization) OR medication is being requested for one of the target symptoms or patient diagnoses listed above AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with at least three other antipsychotic medications (typical or atypical antipsychotics), two of which are preferred after clinical criteria are met products (see tables) **Seroquel XR:** patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization) OR medication is being requested for one of the target symptoms or patient diagnoses listed above AND patient has not been able to be adherent to a twice daily dosing schedule of quetiapine immediate release resulting in a significant clinical impact. **Abilify:** patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization) OR indication or use is treatment of autism with aggression and/or irritability, intellectual disability with aggression and/or irritability or Tourette's syndrome/tics (motor or vocal) AND tha patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with risperidone OR indication or use is treatment of autism with aggression and/or irritability, intellectual disability with aggression and/or irritability or Tourette's syndrome/tics (motor or vocal AND the prescriber feels that risperidone would not be an appropriate alternative for the patient because of

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	FDA maximum recommended dose = 16 mg/day Risperidone† ODT (compare to Risperdal® M-Tab) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 16 mg/day* Zyprexa Zydis® (olanzapine orally disintegrating tablets) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 20 mg/day, Quantity limit = 1.5 tabs/day (5mg&10mg)*	pre-existing medical conditions such as obesity or diabetes. OR medication is being requested for one of the other target symptoms or patient diagnoses listed above. AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with at least two preferred after clinical criteria are met products (typical or atypical antipsychoticw), one of which is risperdone. OR prescriber feels that neither risperidone nor quetiapine would be appropriate alternatives for the patient because of pre-existing medical conditions such as obesity or diabetes. **Abilify Oral Solution:** patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication (Note: samples are not considered adeequate justification for stabilization), OR medication is being requested for one of the target symptoms or patient diagnoses listed above AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with risperidone oral solution OR prescriber feels that risperidone would not be an appropriate alternative for the patient because of pre-existing medical conditions such as obesity or diabetes. **Risperdal:** patient meets clinical criteris for the generic equivalent AND patient has a documented intolerance to the generic product risperidone. **Versacloz Oral Solution:** patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization) OR medication is being requested for one of the target symptoms or patient diagnoses listed above AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with at least three other antipsychotic medications (typical or atypical antipsychotics). AND patient is unable to use clozapine orally disintegrating tablets. **Olanzapine ODT, Risperdal M-Tabs, Risperidone ODT, Zyprexa Zydis:** patient meets clinical criteria for non-orally disintegrating oral dosage forms of the same medication AND Medical necessity for a specialty dosage form has been

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		provided AND if the request is for Risperdal M-tabs or Zyprexa Zydis, the patietn has a documented intolerance to the generic equivalent. **Clozapine ODT, FazaClo:** patient has been started and stabilized on any form of the requested medicaton (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization) AND Mediccal necessity for a specialty dosage form has been provided OR medication is being requested for one of the target symptoms or patient diagnoses listed above AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with at least three other antipsychotic medications (typical or atypical antipsychotics) AND Medical necessity for a specialty dosage form has been provided AND if the request is for a brand product with a generic equivalent, the patient has a documetned intolerance to generic product. **Abilify Discmetl:** patient has been started and stabilized on any form of the rqeusted medication. (Note: samples are not considred adequate justificaton for stabilization) AND Medical necessity for a specialty dosage form has been provided OR medication is being requested for one of the target symptoms or patient diagnoses listed above AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with Risperdal M-tab OR prescriber feels that risperidone would not be an appropriate alternative for the patient because of pre-existing medical conditions such as obesity or diabetes AND Medical necessity for a specialty dosage form has been provided. **Limitations:** Approval for use in Children < 18 years old will not be granted for the following medications or dosage forms due to no FDA approval for use in children and little or no literature to support their use in this population. Exceptions will be made for patients who have been started and stabilized on the requested medication or dosage form (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization): Fanapt, Latuda, Geodon Im, Abilify IM, Olanzapine IM, Zyprexa IM, Abilify Maintena, Invega Sustenna, Risperdal

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		Consta, Zyprexa Relprevv, Symbyax, Olanzapine/fluoxetine.
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TABLETS/CAPSULES CLOZAPINE† (compare to Clozaril®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 900 mg/day* OLANZAPINE† (compare to Zyprexa®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 20 mg/day,* *Quantity limit = 1.5 tabs/day (2.5 mg, 5 mg, 7.5 mg & 10 mg tabs)* RISPERIDONE† (compare to Risperdal®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 16 mg/day* QUETIAPINE† (compare to Seroquel®) > 50 mg/day *FDA maximum recommended dose = 800 mg/day* ZIPRASIDONE† (compare to Geodon®)	Aripiprazole (compare to Abilify®) *FDA maximum recommended dose=30mgday, QL = 1.5 tabs/day (5mg, 10mg, & 15mg)* Abilify® (aripiprazole) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 30 mg/day,* *Quantity limit = 1.5 tabs/day (5 mg, 10 mg & 15 mg tabs)* Clozaril®* *(clozapine)* *FDA maximum recommended dose = 900 mg/day* Fanapt® (iloperidone) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 24 mg/day* *Quantity limit = 2 tablets/day* Geodon®* (ziprasidone) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 160 mg/day* Invega® (paliperidone) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 12 mg/day* *Quantity limit = 1 tab/day (3mg, 9mg), 2tabs/day(6mg)* Latuda® (lurasidone) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 160 mg/day* *Quantity limit = 1 tablet/day all strengths except 80 mg = 2 tablets/day* Quetiapine† (compare to Seroquel®) ≤ 50 mg/day	**Fanapt:** The patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.) OR The indication for use is the treatment of schizophrenia/schizoaffective disorder or bipolar disorder. AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with at least three preferred products (typical or atypical antipsychotics). **Invega:** patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.) (Prior therapy with injectable Invega Sustenna® is not considered to be started and stabilized for oral Invega. Patients transferring to oral therapy from Invega Sustenna® should transition to oral risperidone unless patient previously failed such treatment) OR The indication for use is the treatment of schizophrenia/schizoaffective disorder. AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with at least three preferred products (typical or atypical antipsychotics), one of which is risperidone. **Saphris:** patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.) OR The indication for use is the treatment of schizophrenia/schizoaffective disorder. AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with at least three preferred products (typical or atypical antipsychotics), one of which is risperidone.

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FDA maximum recommended dose = 160 mg/day **ORAL SOLUTIONS** RISPERIDONE† (compare to Risperdal®) oral	(adults ≥ 18 years old) Rexulti® (brexpiprazole) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 3mg (adjunct of MDD) or 4mg (schizophrenia)* Risperdal®* (risperidone) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 16 mg/day* Saphris® (asenapine) sublingual tablet *FDA maximum recommended dose = 20 mg/day* Seroquel® (quetiapine) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 800 mg/day* Seroquel XR® (quetiapine XR) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 800 mg/day* *Quantity Limit = 1 tab/day (150 mg & 200 mg tablet strengths), 2 tabs/day (50 mg strength)* ZYPREXA®* (olanzapine) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 20 mg/day,* *Quantity limit = 1.5 tabs/day (2.5 mg, 5 mg, 7.5 mg & 10 mg tabs)* Abilify® (aripiprazole) oral solution *FDA maximum recommended dose = 25 mg/day* Risperdal® (risperidone) oral solution *FDA maximum recommended dose = 16 mg/day* Versacloz® (clozapine) Oral Suspension *FDA maximum recommended dose = 900 mg/day* *Quantity limit = 18 ml/day*	**Clozaril, Geodon, Risperdal, Zyprexa:** patient has a documented intolerance to the generic equivalent. **Latuda:** The patient is pregnant and the diagnosis is schizophrenia/schizoaffective disorder or Bipolar I depression. OR The patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.) OR The indication for use is schizophrenia/schizoaffective disorder. AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with at least three preferred products (typical or atypical antipsychotics), one of which is ziprasidone. OR The indication for use is schizophrenia/schizoaffective disorder. AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with ziprasidone and the prescriber feels that neither risperidone nor quetiapine would be appropriate alternatives for the patient because of pre-existing medical conditions such as obesity or diabetes. OR The indication for use is Bipolar I depression. AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with generic quetiapine. OR The indication for use is Bipolar I depression. AND The prescriber feels that quetiapine would not be an appropriate alternative for the patient because of pre-existing medical conditions such as obesity or diabetes. **Rexulti:** The patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.) OR the indication for use is schizophrenia AND the patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with at least three preferred products, one being Abilify (typical or atypical antipsychotics) OR the indication for use is adjunct treatment of Major Depressive Disorder (MDD) and the patient has had a documented inadequate response to at least 3 different antidepressants from two different classes (SSRI, SNRI, tricyclic and/or Miscellaneous Antidepressant categories). Trazodone dosed at < 150mg day would not be considered a trial for

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solution *FDA maximum recommended dose = 16 mg/day* **SHORT-ACTING INJECTABLE PRODUCTS** GEODON® IM (ziprasidone intramuscular injection) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 40 mg/day* **LONG-ACTING INJECTABLE PRODUCTS** **ORALLY DISINTEGRATING TABLETS**	Abilify® IM (aripiprazole intramuscular injection) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 30 mg/day* Olanzapine† intramuscular injection (compare to Zyprexa® IM) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 30 mg/day* Zyprexa® IM (olanzapine intramuscular injection) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 30 mg/day* Abilify Maintena® (aripiprazole monohydrate) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 400 mg/month* *Quantity limit = 1 vial/28 days* Invega Sustenna® (paliperidone palmitate) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 234 mg/month* Invega Trinza ®(paliperidone palmitate) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 819mg/3months* Risperdal® Consta (risperdone microspheres)	indiction AND the patient has had a documented side ffect, allergy or treatment failure with one preferred atypical antipsychotic product and Abilify being used as adjunctive therapy. **Quetiapine/Seroquel < or = 50mg/day:** The patient is being prescribed > 50 mg/day with combinations of tablet strengths. OR The indication for use is Adjunct treatment of Major Depressive Disorder (MDD) and the patient has had a documented inadequate response to at least 3 different antidepressants from 2 different classes (SSRI, SNRI, tricyclic and/or Miscellaneous Antidepressant categories). Trazodone dosed at < 150 mg/day would not be considered a trial for this indication. OR The indication for use is Adjunct treatment of any anxiety disorder (panic, agoraphobia, social phobia, obsessive-compulsive disorder, PTSD, Acute Stress Disorder, Generalized Anxiety Disorder) and the patient has had a documented inadequate response to at least 3 different antidepressants from 2 different classes (SSRI, SNRI, tricyclic and/or Miscellaneous Antidepressant categories) or at least 2 antidepressants from the SSRI, SNRI, tricyclic and/or Miscellaneous Antidepressant categories and buspirone. Trazodone dosed at < 150 mg/day and bupropion would not be considered trials for this indication. OR The indication for use is a mental health indication (other than the two above indications or a sleep disorder). AND If the request if for brand Seroquel, the patient has a documented intolerance to generic quetiapine. **Note:** Quetiapine in doses of < 50 mg/day will not be approved for indications of insomnia, for sleep or as a hypnotic. **Seroquel XR:** The patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.) OR The indication for use is schizophrenia/schizoaffective disorder or bipolar disorder (bipolar mania, bipolar depression, bipolar maintenance). OR The indication for use is Adjunct treatment of Major

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	FDA maximum recommended dose = 50 mg/14 days Zyprexa Relprevv® (olanzapine pamoate) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 600 mg/month* *Quantity limit = 1 vial/28 days (405 mg) or 2 vials/month (210 or 300 mg)* Abilify® Discmelt (aripiprazole) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 30 mg/day,* *Quantity limit = 2 tabs/day (10 mg & 15 mg tabs)* clozapine orally disintegrating tablets† (Compare to FazaClo®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 900 mg/day* FazaClo® (clozapine orally disintegrating tablets) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 900 mg/day* Olanzapine orally disintegrating tablets† (compare to Zyprexa Zydis®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 20 mg/day,* *Quantity limit = 1.5 tabs/day (5 mg & 10 mg tabs)* Risperdal® M-Tab (risperidone orally disintegrating tablets) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 16 mg/day* Risperidone† ODT (compare to Risperdal® M-Tab) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 16 mg/day* Zyprexa Zydis® (olanzapine orally disintegrating tablets) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 20 mg/day,* *Quantity limit = 1.5 tabs/day (5 mg & 10 mg tabs)*	Depressive Disorder (MDD) and the patient has had a documented inadequate response to at least 3 different antidepressants from 2 different classes (SSRI, SNRI, tricyclic and/or Miscellaneous Antidepressant categories). Trazodone dosed at < 150 mg/day would not be considered a trial for this indication. OR The indication for use is Adjunct treatment of any anxiety disorder (panic, agoraphobia, social phobia, obsessive-compulsive disorder, PTSD, Acute Stress Disorder, Generalized Anxiety Disorder) and the patient has had a documented inadequate response to at least 3 different antidepressants from 2 different classes (SSRI, SNRI, tricyclic and/or Miscellaneous Antidepressant categories) or at least 2 antidepressant from the SSRI, SNRI, tricyclic and/or Miscellaneous Antidepressant categories and buspirone. Trazodone dosed at < 150 mg/day and bupropion would not be considered trials for this indication. AND The patient has not been able to be adherent to a twice daily dosing schedule of quetiapine immediate release resulting in a significant clinical impact **Abilify:** The patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.) OR The indication for use is schizophrenia/schizoaffective disorder or bipolar disorder. AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with at least three preferred products (typical or atypical antipsychotics) OR The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with ziprasidone and the prescriber feels that neither risperidone nor quetiapine would be appropriate alternatives for the patient because of pre-existing medical conditions such as obesity or diabetes. OR The indication for use is Adjunct treatment of Major Depressive Disorder (MDD) and the patient has had a documented inadequate response to at least 3 different antidepressants from 2 different classes (SSRI, SNRI, tricyclic and/or Miscellaneous Antidepressant

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	olanzapine/fluoxetine† (compare to Symbyax®) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 18 mg/75 mg (per day)* Symbyax® (olanzapine/fluoxetine) *FDA maximum recommended dose = 18 mg/75 mg (perday)*	categories). Trazodone dosed at <150 mg/day would not be considered a trial for this indication. OR The indication for use is Adjunct treatment of any anxiety disorder (panic, agoraphobia, social phobia, obsessive- compulsive disorder, PTSD, Acute Stress Disorder, Generalized Anxiety Disorder) and the patient has had a documented inadequate response to at least 3 different antidepressants from 2 different classes (SSRI, SNRI, tricyclic and/or Miscellaneous Antidepressant categories) or at least 2 antidepressant from the SSRI, SNRI, tricyclic and/or Miscellaneous Antidepressant categories and buspirone. Trazodone dosed at <150 mg/day and bupropion would not be considered trials for this indication. AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with one preferred atypical antipsychotic product being used as adjunctive therapy. OR The indication for use is treatment of aggression, psychosis, or agitation secondary to Alzheimer's disease or other dementias AND the patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with two preferred products (typical or atypical antipsychotics). (Note: Please consider FDA Black Box Warning) OR The indication or use is treatment of irritability associated with autistic disorder AND the patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with risperidone. OR The indication or use is treatment of Tourette's syndrome AND the patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with guanfacine or clonidine and also risperidone. **Abilify Oral Solutions:** The patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.) OR The indication for use is Adjunct treatment of Major Depressive Disorder (MDD) and the patient has had a documented inadequate response to at least 3 different antidepressants from 2 different classes (SSRI, SNRI, tricyclic and/or Miscellaneous Antidepressant categories). Trazodone

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		dosed at < 150 mg/day would not be considered a trial for this indication. OR The indication for use is Adjunct treatment of any anxiety disorder (panic, agoraphobia, social phobia, obsessive-compulsive disorder, PTSD, Acute Stress Disorder, Generalized Anxiety Disorder) and the patient has had a documented inadequate response to at least 3 different antidepressants from 2 different classes (SSRI, SNRI, tricyclic and/or Miscellaneous Antidepressant categories) or at least 2 antidepressant from the SSRI, SNRI, tricyclic and/or Miscellaneous Antidepressant categories and buspirone. Trazodone dosed at <150 mg/day and bupropion would not be considered trials for this indication. AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with preferred risperidone oral solution being used as adjunctive therapy. OR The indication for use is schizophrenia/schizoaffective disorder or bipolar disorder. OR The indication for use is treatment of aggression, psychosis, or agitation secondary to Alzheimer's disease or other dementias. (Note: Please consider FDA Black Box Warning) OR The indication or use is treatment of irritability associated with autistic disorder. OR The indication or use is treatment of Tourette's syndrome AND the patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with guanfacine or clonidine. AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with preferred risperidone oral solution. **Risperdal Oral Solution:** The patient has a documented intolerance to the generic product risperidone. **Versacloz Oral Solution**: The patient has a medical necessity for a non-solid oral dosage form and is unable to use clozapine orally disintegrating tablets. **NON-PREFERRED SHORT-ACTING INJECTABLE PRODUCTS**: Medical necessity for a specialty dosage form has been provided. AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with Geodon IM. In addition, for approval of Zyprexa® IM, the patient must have had a documented

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COMBINATION PRODUCTS		intolerance to generic olanzapine IM. **Risperdal Consta Inj:** The patient has been started and stabilized on the medication OR Medical necessity for a specialty dosage form has been provided (non-compliance with oral medications) AND Tolerability has been established previously with oral risperidone. **Invega Sustenna Inj:** The patient has been started and stabilized on the medication OR Medical necessity for a specialty dosage form has been provided (non-compliance with oral medications) AND Tolerability has been established previously with oral/injectable risperidone or oral paliperidone. **Invega Trinza:** The patient has been started and stabilized on the medication OR medical necessity for a specialty dosage form has been provided (noncompliance with oral medications) AND tolerability has been established previously with oral/injectable risperidone or oral paliperidone AND Invega Sustenna for at least four months AND only when the dose has been stable over the prior two months. **Zyprexa Relprevv:** The patient has been started and stabilized on the medication OR Medical necessity for a specialty dosage form has been provided (non-compliance with oral medications) AND Tolerability has been established previously with oral olanzapine. **Abilify Maintena:** The patient has been started and stabilized on the medication OR Document clinically compelling information supporting the choice of a non-preferred agent on a General Prior Authorization Request Form. Medical necessity for a specialty dosage form has been provided (non-compliance with oral medications) AND Tolerability has been established previously with oral aripiprazole for at least 2 weeks. **ORALLY DISINTEGRATING TABLETS:** Medical necessity for a specialty dosage form has been provided. AND If the request is for FazaClo, Risperdal M-Tab or Zyprexa Zydis, the patient has a documented intolerance to the generic

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		equivalent. **COMBINATION PRODUCTS:** The patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.) OR The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with two preferred products (ziprasidone, risperidone, and quetiapine). OR The prescriber provides a clinically valid reason for the use of the requested medication. AND If the request is for brand product, the patient has a documented intolerance to the generic product.
ANTI-PSYCHOTIC: TYPICALS		
ORAL TABLETS/CAPSULES CHLORPROMAZINE† (formerly Thorazine®) FLUPHENAZINE† (formerly Prolixin®) HALOPERIDOL† (compare to Haldol®) LOXAPINE† (compare to Loxitane®) NAVANE® (thiothixene) (20 mg ONLY) PERPHENAZINE† (formerly Trilafon®) THIORIDAZINE† (formerly Mellaril®) THIOTHIXENE† (compare to Navane®) TRIFLUOPERAZINE† (formerly Stelazine®) **LONG ACTING INJECTABLE PRODUCTS** FLUPHENAZINE DECANOATE† (formerly Prolixin® decanoate)	Haldol®* (haloperidol) Loxitane®* (loxapine) Navane®* (thiothixene) 2 mg, 5 mg, 10 mg Haldol® decanoate* (haloperidol decanoate)	**Criteria for Approval** **Oral:** patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with at least two preferred products (If a product has an AB rated generic, one trial must be the generic) **Long Acting Injectable Products:** for approval of haldol deconaoate, the patient has a documented intolerance to the generic product.

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HALOPERIDOL DECANOATE † (compare to Haldol® decanoate)		
BONE RESORPTION INHIBITORS		
ORAL BISPHOSPHONATES TABLETS/CAPSULES ALENDRONATE† (compare to Fosamax®)	Actonel® (risedronate) Atelvia (risedronate) Delayed Release Tablet *(Quantity Limit = 4 tablets/28 days)* Binosto® (alendronate) 70 mg effervescent tablet *(Quantiy Limit=4 tablets/28 days)* Boniva® (ibandronate) *(Quantity Limit = 150 mg tablet/1 tablet per 28 days)* Didronel® (etidronate) Etidronate† (compare to Didronel®) Fosamax®* (alendronate) Fosamax Plus D® (alendronate/vitamin D) Ibandronate† (compare to Boniva®) *(Quantity Limit = 150 mg tablet/1 tablet per 28 days)* Risedronate† (compare to Actonel®) Skelid® (tiludronate) Boniva® Injection (ibandronate) *(QL = 3 mg/3 months (four doses)/year)* ibandronate Injection† (compare to Boniva®)	**Actonel, Risedronate:** patient has a diagnosis/indication of Paget's Disease AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure (at least a six-month trial) to generic alendronate OR patient has a diagnosis/indication of postmenopausal osteoprosis, osteoprosis in men or glucocorticoid induced osteoporosis AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure (at least a 1 year trial) to generic alendronate. Treatment failure is defined as documented continued bone loss or fracture after one or more years despite treatment with an oral bisphosphonate AND if the rqeust is for brand Actonel, the patient has also had a documented intolerance to generic risedronate **Atelvia, Boniva Oral, Ibandronate:** patient has a diagnosis/indication of postmenopausal osteoporosis AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure (at leas 1 year trial) to generic alendronate. Treatment failure is defined as documented continued bone loss or fracture fter one or more years despite treatmetn with an oral bisphosphonate AND if the request if for brand Boniva oral, the patient has also had a documented intolerance to generic Ibandronate **Binosto:** patient has a diagnosis/indication of postmenopausal osteoporosis or osteoporosis in men. AND prescriber provides documentation of medical necessity for the specialty dosage form (i.e. inability to swallow tablets, dysphagia).

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INJECTABLE BISPHOSPHONATES **ESTROGEN AGONIST/ANTAGONIST** RALOXIFENE† (compare to Evista®) Tablet *(QL=1 tablet/day)* **INJECTABLE RANKL INHIBITOR** **CALCITONIN NASAL SPRAY** **CALCITONIN INJECTION** **PARATHYROID HORMONE INJECTION**	*(QL=3 mg/3 months (four doses)/year)* Reclast® Injection (zoledronic acid) *(Quantity Limit = 5 mg (one dose)/year)* Zoledronic Acid Injection† (compare to Reclast®) *(QL=5 mg (one dose)/year)* Evista® (raloxifene) Tablet *(QL = 1 tablet/day)* Prolia® Injection (denosumab) *(QL=60 mg/6 months (two doses)/year)* Xgeva® (denosumab) *(QL=120 mg/28 days)* Calcitonin† Nasal Spray (compare to Miacalcin®) Fortical®† (calcitonin) Miacalcin® (calcitonin) Miacalcin® (calcitonin) Forteo® (teriparatide) *(Quantity Limit = 1 pen (3 ml)/28 days)* *(Lifetime max duration of treatment = 2 years)*	**Calcitonin Nasal Spray (generic), Fortical, Miacalcin Nasal Spray:** patient is started and stabilized on the requested medicaton. If the request is for generic Calcitonin Nasal Spray, the patient has had a docmented intolerance to brand Miacalcin. Note: Calcitonin Nasal Spray (brand and generic) no longer recommended for osteoporosis. **Miacalcin Injection:** patient has a diagnosis/indication of Paget's Disease **Evista Tablets:** patient has had a documented intolerance to generic raloxifene. **Fosamax Tablets:** patient has had a documented iintolerance to generic alendronate. **Fosamax Plus D:** there is a clinical reason why the patient is unable to take generic alendronate and vitamin D seperately. **Didronel, Etidronate, Skelid:** patient has a diagnosis/indication of Paget's Disease AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure (at least a six-month trial) to generic alendronate. If a medication has an AB rated generic, there must have also been a trial of the generic formulation. **Forteo:** patient has a diagnosis/indication of postmenopausal osteoporosis in females, primary or hypogoandal osteoporosis in males or glucocorticoid induced osteoporosis AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to an oral bisphosphonate. Treatmetn failure is defined as documented continued bone loss or fracture after one or more years despite treatment with an oral bisphosphonate. AND prescriber has verified taht the patient has been counseled about osteosarcoma risk AND the quantity requested does not exceed 1 pen (3ml) per 28 days with a lifetime maximum duration of treatment of 2 years. **Boniva Injection, Ibandronate Injection:** patient has a diagnosis/indication of postmenopausal osteoprosis AND patient has had a documented side effect or

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		treatment failure to a preferred bisphosphonate. Treatment failure is defined as documented continued bone loss or fracture after one or more years despite treatment with an oral bisphosphonate AND quantity requested does not exceed four (4) 3mg doses per year. **Prolia Injection:** diagnosis or indication is osteopenia in men at high risk for fracture receiviing androgen deprivation therapy for nonmetastatic prostate cancer OR diagnosis or indication is osteopenia in women at high risk for fracture receiving adjuvant aromatase ingibitor therapyp for breast cancer OR patient has a diagnosis/indication of postmenopausal osteoporosis AND patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to a preferred bisphosphonate. Treatment failure is defined as documented continued bone loss or fracture after one or mroe years despite treatment with an oral bisphosphonate AND quantity requested does not exceed 1 syringe per 6 months. **Reclast Injection, Zoledronic Acid Injection:** patient has a diagnosis/indication of Paget's disease of bone OR patient has a diagnosis/indication of postmenopausal osteoporosis OR patient is male with a diagnosis of osteoporosis OR patient has a diagnosis of glucocorticoid induced osteoporosis AND patient has had a documented side effect or treatment failure to a preferred bisphosphonate. Treatment failure is defined as documented continued bone loss or fracture after one or more years despite treatment with an oral bisphosphonate AND quantity requested dose not exceed a single 5mg dose per year AND if the reclast, the patient has a documented intolerance to generic zoledronic acid injection. **Xgeva Injection:** diagnosis or indication is bone metastases from solid tumors (e.g. prostate, breast, thyroid, non-small lung cancer)

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BOTULINUM TOXINS		
	BOTOX® (onabotulinumtoxinA) Myobloc® (rimabotulinumtoxinB) **Available after a BOTOX® trial for select indications:** Dysport® (abobotulinumtoxinA) Xeomin® (incobotulinumtoxinA)	**BOTOX (onabotulinumtoxinA):** The indication for use is: o Strabismus and blepharospasm associated with dystonia, including essential blepharospasm, VII cranial nerve disorders/hemifacial spasm o Focal dystonias, including cervical dystonia, spasmodic dysphonia, oromandibular dystonia o Limb spasticity (e.g., due to cerebral palsy, multiple sclerosis, or other demyelinating CNS diseases) o Focal spasticity (e.g., due to hemorrhagic stroke, anoxia, traumatic brain injury) o Axillary Hyperhidrosis (if member has failed an adequate trial of topical therapy) o Overactive bladder or detrusor overactivity (if member has failed an adequate trial of at least TWO urinary antispasmodics (either short- or long-acting formulations) o Chronic migraine (>15 days per month with headache lasting 4 hours a day or longer) and the member has failed or has a contraindication to an adequate trial of at least TWO medications for migraine prophylaxis from at least two different classes (tricyclic antidepressants, beta-blockers, calcium channel blockers or anticonvulsants). For re-approval after 3 months, the patient must have had an improvement in symptoms. AND The patient is >12 years of age if for blepharospasm or strabismus, >16 years of age for cervical dystonia, and >18 years of age for hyperhidrosis, chronic migraine or overactive bladder/detrusor overactivity. **Dysport (abobotulinumtoxinA):** The patient has a diagnosis of cervical dystonia or spasmodic torticollis AND The patient is >18 years of age AND The patient has had a treatment failure with BOTOX. **Myobloc (rimabotulinumtoxinB):** The patient has a diagnosis of focal dystonias, including cervical dystonia, spasmodic dysphonia, oromandibular dystonia AND

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		The patient is >16 years of age **Xeomin (incobotulinumtoxinA):** The patient has a diagnosis of cervical dystonia or blepharospasm. AND The patient is >18 years of age AND The patient has had a documented intolerance or treatment failure with BOTOX. **LIMITATIONS:** Coverage of botulinum toxins will not be approved for cosmetic use (e.g., glabellar lines, vertical glabellar eyebrow furrows, facial rhytides, horizontal neck rhytides, etc.). (BOTOX Cosmetic (onabotulinumtoxinA) is not covered) **IMPORTANT NOTE:** Botulinum neurotoxins are used to treat various disorders of focal muscle spasm and excessive muscle contractions, such as focal dystonias. When injected intramuscularly, botulinum neurotoxins produce a presynaptic neuromuscular blockade by preventing the release of acetylcholine from the nerve endings. As a consequence of the chemistry and clinical pharmacology of each botulinum neurotoxin product, botulinum neurotoxins are not terchangeable, even among same sterotype products. Units of biological activity are unique to each preparation and cannot be compared or converted into units of another. It is important that providers recognize there is no safe dose conversion ratio—i.e., one unit of BOTOX (onabotulinumtoxinA, formerly type A) does not equal one unit of Myobloc (rimabotulinumtoxinB, formerly type B) does not equal one unit of Dysport (abobotulinumtoxinA) does not equal one unit of Xeomin (incobotulinumtoxinA). Failure to understand the unique characteristics of each formulation of botulinum neurotoxin can result in under or over dosage. It is expected that use of these products will be based on each product's individual dosing, efficacy and safety profiles.

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BPH AGENTS		
ALPHA BLOCKERS DOXAZOSIN† (compare to Cardura®) TAMSULOSIN† (compare to Flomax®) *Quantity Limit = 2 capsules/day* TERAZOSIN† (formerly Hytrin®)	alfuzosin ER† (compare to Uroxatral®) Quantity Limit = 1 tablet/dayCardura®* (doxazosin) Cardura XL® (doxazosin) *Quantity Limit = 1 tablet/day* Flomax®* (tamsulosin) *Quantity Limit = 2 capsules/day* Rapaflo® (silodosin) *Quantity Limit = 1 capsule/day* Uroxatral® (alfuzosin) *Quantity Limit = 1 tablet/day*	**Cardura, Cardura XL:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with two alpha blockers, one of which must be generic doxazosin. **Flomax:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with two preferred alpha blockers, one of which must be generic tamsulosin. **alfuzosin ER, Rapaflo, Uroxatral:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with two preferred alpha blockers. In addition, for approval of Uroxatral, the patient must have a documented intolerance to generic alfuzosin ER.
ANDROGEN HORMONE INHIBITORS FINASTERIDE† (compare to Proscar®) *(QL = 1 tablet/day)*	Avodart® (dutasteride) (*QL = 1 capsule/day)* finasteride† (compare to Proscar®) females; males age < 45 *(QL = 1 tablet/day)* Proscar® *(finasteride) *(QL = 1 tablet/day)*	**Avodart:** The patient has a diagnosis of BPH (benign prostatic hypertrophy) AND the patient has a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure to generic finasteride. **Proscar:** The patient has a diagnosis of BPH (benign prostatic hypertrophy) AND the patient has a documented intolerance to generic finasteride. **Finasteride for males age < 45:** The patient has a diagnosis of BPH (benign prostatic hypertrophy)
COMBINATION PRODUCT	Jalyn® (dutasteride/tamsulosin) (*QL = 1 capsule/day)*	**Jalyn:** The patient has a diagnosis of BPH (benign prostatic hypertrophy) AND the patient has a documented treatment failure/inadequate response to combination therapy with generic tamsulosin and finasteride. **LIMITATIONS:** Coverage of androgen hormone inhibitors will not be approved for cosmetic use in men or women (male-pattern baldness/alopecia or hirsutism). (This includes Propecia (finasteride) and its generic equivalent whose only FDA approved indication is for treatment of male pattern hair loss.) Current clinical

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		guidelines recommend the use of Cialis (tadalafil) only in men with concomitant erectile dysfunction or pulmonary hypertension. Medicaid programs do not receive Federal funding for drugs used in the treatment of erectile dysfunction so Cialis will not be approved for use in BPH.
CARDIAC GLYCOSIDES		
DIGOXIN† DIGOXIN† Oral Solution LANOXIN® (digoxin)		
CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY		
ALCOHOL DEPENDENCY		
ACAMPROSATE† (compare to Campral®) DISULFIRAM† 250 mg, 500 mg tab (compare to Antabuse®)	Antabuse®* (disulfiram) Campral®* (acamprosate) Revia®* (naltrexone oral)	**Revia, Antabuse, Campral**: The patient has had a documented intolerance to the generic equivalent product
NALTREXONE oral † (compare to Revia®)	Vivitrol® (naltexone for extended-release injectable suspension) *(QL = 1 injection (380 mg) per 30 days)*	
OPIATE DEPENDENCY		

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NALTREXONE oral † (compare to Revia®) **Preferred Agent after Clinical Criteria are Met** SUBOXONE® sublingual FILM (buprenorphine/nalaxone) *QL = 2 films per day (8 mg strength), 3 films per day (2 mg strength)or* *1 film per day (4 mg and 12 mg strengths)* *(Maximum daily Dose = 16 mg/day)* ***Maximum days supply for Suboxone is 14 days*** Note: Methadone for opiate dependency can only be prescribed through a Methadone Maintenance Clinic	buprenorphine† sublingual TABLET(formerly Subutex®) *QL = 3 tablets per day (2 mg strength) or 2 tablets/day (8 mg strength)* *(Maximum Daily Dose = 16 mg/day)* Revia®* (naltrexone oral) buprenorphine/nalaxone† (formerly Suboxone®) sublingual TABLET *QL = 2 tablets per day (8 mg strength) or 3 tablets per day (2 mg strength)* *(Maximum daily Dose = 16 mg/day)* Bunavail® (*QL= 1film per day(2.1/0.3mg, 6.1/1mg), 2films per day (4.2/0.7mg)* Zubsolv® *(QL=1 film per day of all strengths)* **Maximum days supply for buprenorphine/naloxone or buprenorphine is 14 days** **For Prevention of Relapse to Opioid Dependency** Vivitrol® (naltrexone for extended-release injectable suspension) (QL = 1 injection (380 mg) per 30 days)	**Suboxone, Buprenorphine/Naloxone, Buprenorphine:** Diagnosis of opiate dependence confirmed (will not be approved for alleviation of pain). AND Prescriber has a DATA 2000 waiver ID number ("X-DEA license") in order to prescribe AND A "Pharmacy Home" for all prescriptions has been selected (Pharmacy located or licensed in VT) AND Requests for Buprenorphine/Naloxone SL tablet, Bunavail or Zubsolv after documented intolerance of Suboxone Film must include a completed MedWatch form that will be submitted by DVHA to the FDA. AND If buprenorphine (formerly Subutex) is being requested, Patient is either pregnant and history (copy of positive pregnancy test) has been submitted (duration of PA will be one 1 month post anticipated delivery date) OR Patient is breastfeeding a methadone or morphine dependent baby and history from the neonatologist or pediatrician has been submitted. **Vivitrol:** There must be a documented trial of oral naltrexone AND Patient should be opiate free for > 7 -10 days prior to initiation of Vivitrol. If the diagnosis is alcohol dependence, there must be a clinically compelling reason for use (e.g. multiple hospital admissions for alcohol detoxification).
OVERDOSE TREATMENT		
Naloxone HCL Prefilled luer-lock needleless syringe pluse intranasal mucosal atomizing device (Rescue kit)	Evzio® (naloxone hcl autoinjector)	**Compelling clinical reason why a rescue kit comprised of naloxone plus atomizer cannot be used.**

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GASTROINTESTINAL AGENTS: CONSTIPATION/DIARRHEA, IRRITABLE BOWEL SYNDROME-CONSTRIPATION, SHORT BOWEL SYNDROME, OPIOID INDUCED CONSTIPATION		
Preferred Agents (No PA Required)	**Non-preferred Agents (PA Required)**	**Criteria**
Constipation: Chronic, IBS_C, or Opioid-Induced (Amitiza, Linzess, & Movantik length of approval: Initial PA of 3 months and & 12 months thereafter; Relistore: 3 months		
Bulk-Producing Laxatives PSYLLIUM† **Osmotic Laxatives** LACTULOSE† POLYETHYLENE GLYCOL 3350 (PEG)† (**Stimulant Laxative** BISACODYL† SENNA† **Stool Softener** DOCUSATE† **Miscellaneous** Dicyclomine	Amitiza® (lubiprostone) *(Qty Limit = 2 capsules/day)* Linzess® (linaclotide) *(Qty limit = 1 capsule/day)* Movantik (naloxegol) *(Qty limit=1 tablet/day)* Relistor® (methylnatrexone)	**Amitiza:** The patient has a diagnosis of chronic idiopathic constipation (CIC) (24 mcg capsules) OR The patient is a woman and has a diagnosis of irritable bowel syndrome with constipation (IBS-C) (8 mcg capsules) OR opioid-induced constipation AND The patient has had documented treatment failure to lifestyle and dietary modification (increased fiber and fluid intake and increased physical activity). AND The patient has had documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure to a 1 week trial each of at least 2 preferred laxatives from the Bulk-Producing Laxative or Osmotic Laxative categories (see below). **Linzess:** The patient is 18 years of age or older. AND The patient has a diagnosis of chronic idiopathic constipation (CIC) (145 mcg capsules) OR The patient has a diagnosis of irritable bowel syndrome with constipation (IBS-C) (290 mcg capsules) AND The patient has had documented treatment failure to lifestyle and dietary modification (increased fiber and fluid intake and increased physical activity). AND The patient has had documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure to a 1 week trial each of at least 2 preferred laxatives from the Bulk-Producing Laxative or Osmotic Laxative categories (see below).

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		Movantik: The patient must have documented opioid-induced constipation AND The patient has had documented side effect, allergy or treatment failute to a 1 week trial of at least 2 preferred laxatives from Bulk-Producing Laxative or Osmotic Laxative categories.. **Relistor:** The patient must have documented opioid-induced constipation and be receiving palliative care AND The patient must have had documented treatment failure to a 1 week trial of at least 2 preferred laxatives from 2 different laxative classes (see below) used in combination.
Short Bowel Syndrome (SBS) (length of approval: 6 Months)		
	Gattex® (teduglutide) Vials Maximum days' supply = 30 days	**Gattex:** Patient has a diagnosis of short bowel syndrome AND Patient is receiving specialized nutritional support administered intravenously (i.e. parenteral nutrition) AND Patient is 18 years of age or older AND Patient does not have an active gastrointestinal malignancy (gastrointestinal tract, hepatobiliary, pancreatic), colorectal cancer, or small bowel cancer. AND After preliminary review by the Clinical Call Center, the request will be forwarded to the DVHA Medical Director for final approval. Note: Re-approval requires evidence of decreased parenteral nutrition support from baseline.
Antidiarrheal: HIV/AIDs (length of approval: initial approval 3 months, subsequent 1 year)		
DIPHENOXYLATE/ATROPINE† LOPERAMIDE†	Fulyzaq® (crofelemer) 125 mg DR Tablets *QL = 2 tablets/day*	**Fulyzaq:** Patient has HIV/AIDS and is receiving anti-retroviral therapy AND Patient is at least 18 years of age AND Patient requires symptomatic relief of noninfectious diarrhea AND Infectious diarrhea (e.g. cryptosporidiosis, c. difficile, etc.) has been ruled out AND Patient has tried and failed at least one anti-diarrheal medication (i.e. loperamide or atropine/diphenoxylate)

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CONTRACEPTIVES		
SELECT PRODUCTS (length of approval: 1 year) **MONOPHASIC AGENTS:**		
Due to the extensive list of products, any monophasic BCP not listed as non-preferred is considered preferred.	BREVICON-28 (norethindrone/ethinyl estradiol) GILDESSE FE (norethindrone/ ethinyl estradiol/FE) LO-ESTRIN (norethindrone/ethinyl estradiol) LO-ESTRIN FE (norethindrone/ ethinyl estradiol/FE) LOESTRIN (norethindrone/ ethinyl estradiol) LOMEDIA FE (norethindrone/ ethinyl estradiol/FE) LO/OVRAL 21 LO/OVRAL 28 MODICON (norethindrone/ethinyl estradiol) NORDETTE-28 NORINYL 1/35 (norethindrone/ethinyl estradiol) OGESTREL (norgestrel/ ethinyl estradiol) ORTHO-CEPT 28 (desogestrel/ethinyl estradiol) ORTHO-CYCLEN-28 (norgestimate/ethinyl estradiol) OVCON-35/28 (norethindrone/ethinyl estradiol) YAZ (drospirenone/ ethinyl estradiol) YASMIN 28 (drospirenone/ ethinyl estradiol) ZOVIA 1-50(ethynodiol D/ ethinyl estradiol)	**Non-preferred agents:** Trial with at least three preferred contraceptive products including the preferred formulation of the requested non-preferred agent
BIPHASIC AGENTS		
AZURETTE (desogestrel/ ethinyl estradiol) Desogestrel ethinyl estradiol KARIVA (desogestrel/ ethinyl estradiol) MINASTRIN FE (norethindrone ethinyl estradiol)	MIRCETTE (desogestrel/ ethinyl estradiol) NECON 10/11-28 (norethindrone/ ethinyl estradiol)	**Non-preferred agents:** Trial with at least three preferred contraceptive products including the preferred formulation of the requested non-preferred agent

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NORETHIDRONE/ETHINYL ESTRADIOL 0.5/1-35 PIMTREA (desogestrel/ ethinyl estradiol) VIORELE (desogestrel/ ethinyl estradiol)		
TRPHASIC AGENTS		
ALYACEN (norethindrone ethinyl estradiol) ARANELLE (norethindrone/ethinyl estradiol) CAZIANT (desogestrel/ ethinyl estradiol) CYCLAFEM (norethindrone/ethinyl estradiol) DASETTA (norethindrone/ethinyl estradiol) ENPRESSE (levonorgestrel/ ethinyl estradiol) LEENA (norethindrone/ethinyl estradiol) LEVONEST (levonorgestrel/ ethinyl estradiol)) MYZILRA (levonorgestrel/ ethinyl estradiol) NATAZIA (dienogest/estradiol valerate) NECON 7/7/7 (norethindrone/ethinyl estradiol) Norgestimate ethinyl estradiol NORTREL 7/7/7 (norethindrone/ethinyl estradiol) ORTHO TRI-CYCLEN LO (norgestimate/ ethinyl estradiol) PIRMELLA (norethindrone/ethinyl estradiol) TILIA FE (norethindrone/ethinyl estradiol/FE) TRI-ESTARYLLA (norgestimate/ ethinyl estradiol) TRI-LEGEST FE (norethindrone/ethinyl estradiol/FE) TRI-LINYAH (norgestimate/ ethinyl estradiol) TRINESSA (norgestimate/ ethinyl estradiol) TRI-PREVIFEM (norgestimate/ ethinyl estradiol)	CYCLESSA (desogestrel/ ethinyl estradiol) ESTROSTEP FE (norethindrone/ethinyl estradiol/FE) ORTH-NOVUM 7/7/7 (norethindrone/ethinyl estradiol) ORTHO TRI-CYCLEN (norgestimate/ ethinyl estradiol) TRI-NORINYL (norethindrone/ethinyl estradiol)	**Non-preferred agents:** Trial with at least three preferred contraceptive products including the preferred formulation of the requested non-preferred agent

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TRI-SPRINTEC (norgestimate/ ethinyl estradiol) TRIVORA (levonorgestrel/ ethinyl estradiol) VELIVET (desogestrel/ ethinyl estradiol)		
EXTENDED CYCLE		
AMETHIA (levonorgestrel/ ethinyl estradiol) AMETHIA LO (levonorgestrel/ ethinyl estradiol) AMETHYST (levonorgestrel/ ethinyl estradiol) ASHLYNA (levonorgestrel/ ethinyl estradiol) CAMRESE (levonorgestrel/ ethinyl estradiol) CAMRESE LO (levonorgestrel/ ethinyl estradiol) DAYSEE (levonorgestrel/ ethinyl estradiol) INTROVALE (levonorgestrel/ ethinyl estradiol 3MTH) JOLESSA (levonorgestrel/ ethinyl estradiol 3MTH) Levonorgestrel ethinyl estradiol TBDSPK 3 month Levonorgestrel eth estrad ethinyl estradiol TBDSPK 3 month LO-SEASONIQUE (levonorgestrel/ ethinyl estradiol) QUASENSE (levonorgestrel/ ethinyl estradiol 3MTH) QUAARTETTE (levonorgestrel/ ethinyl estradiol) SEASONIQUE (levonorgestrel/ ethinyl estradiol)		**Non-preferred agents:** Trial with at least three preferred contraceptive products including the preferred formulation of the requested non-preferred agent
PROGESTIN ONLY CONTRACEPTIVES		

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CAMILA (norethindrone) DEBLITANE (norethindrone) ERRIN (norethindrone) HEATHER (norethindrone) JENCYCLA (norethindrone) JOLIVETTE(norethindrone) LYZA (norethindrone) NORA-BE (norethindrone) NORETHINDRONE 0.35MG NORLYROC (norethindrone) SHAROBEL (norethindrone)	NOR-QD (norethindrone) ORTHO MICRONOR (norethindrone)	**Non-preferred agents:** Trial with at least three preferred contraceptive products including the preferred formulation of the requested non-preferred agent
INJECTABLE CONTRACEPTIVES		
MEDROXYPROGESTERONE ACETATE 150MG (IM) VIAL/SYRINGE DEPO-PROVERA 104 (SUB-Q) SYRINGE (medroxyprogesterone acetate)	DEPO-PROVERA (IM) (medroxyprogesterone acetate) 150mg SUSP VIAL/SYRINGE	
VAGINAL RING		
NUVARING® (etonogestrel/ethinyl estradiol vaginal ring)		
TOPICAL CONTRACEPTIVE		
ORTHO EVRA PATCH (norelgestromin/ethinyl estradiol)		

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XULANE PATCH (norelgestromin/ ethinyl estradiol)		
EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTIVE		
AFTERA (levonorgestrel) ECONTRA EZ (levonorgestrel) FALLBACK (levonorgestrel) Levonorgestrel MY WAY (levonorgestrel) NEXT CHOICE (levonorgestrel) OPCICON ONE-STEP (levonorgestrel) TAKE ACTION (levonorgestrel) ELLA (ulipristal)	Plan B One-step (levonorgestrel)	
CORONARY VASODILATORS/ANTIANGINALS/SINUS NODE INHIBITORS		
ORAL		
ISOSORBIDE DINITRATE† tablet(compare to Isordil®) ISOSORBIDE DINITRATE† ER tablet ISOSORBIDE MONONITRATE† tablet (compare to Ismo®,Monoket®) ISOSORBIDE MONONITRATE† ER tablet (compare to Imdur®) NITROGLYCERIN† SL tablet NITROGLYCERIN† ER capsule	Dilatrate-SR® (isosorbide dinitrate SR capsule) Imdur®* (isosorbide mononitrate ER tablet) Ismo®* (isosorbide mononitrate tablet) Isosorbide dinitrate SL tablet Isordil®* (isosorbide dinitrate tablet) Monoket®* (isosorbide mononitrate tablet) BiDil® (isosorbide dinitrate/hydralazine) Ranexa® (ranolazine) *(Quantity Limit = 3 tablets/day (500 mg), 2 tablets/day (1000 mg)))*	**Dilatrate-SR, Imdur:** The patient has had a side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to at least two of the following medications: isosorbide dinitrate ER tablet, isosorbide mononitrate ER tablet, nitroglycerin ER capsule or Nitro-time. If a product has an AB rated generic, one trial must be the generic formulation. **Ismo, Isordil, Monoket, Isosorbide dinitrate SL tablet:** The patient has had a side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to at least two of the following medications: isosorbide dinitrate tablet or isosorbide mononitrate tablet. If a product has an AB rated generic, one trial must be the generic formulation

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NITROLINGUAL PUMP SPRAY® NITROGLYCERIN SPRAY LINGUAL† (compare to Nitroglycerin Pump Spray®) NITROMIST® Lingual Spray NITROQUICK® (nitroglycerin SL tablet) NITROSTAT® (nitroglycerin SL tablet) NITRO-TIME® (nitroglycerin ER capsule)		**Bidil:** The prescriber provides a clinically valid reason why the patient cannot use isosorbide dinitrate and hydralazine as separate agents. **Ranexa:** The patient has had a diagnosis/indication of chronic angina. AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with at least one medication from two of the following classes: beta-blockers, maintenance nitrates, or calcium channel blockers. AND The patient does not have any of the following conditions: Hepatic insufficiency, Concurrent use of medications which may interact with Ranexa: CYP450 3A4 inducers (rifampin, rifabutin, rifapentin, phenobarbital, phenytoin, carbamazepine, St.John's wort) CYP450 3A4 inhibitors (diltiazem, verapamil, ketoconazole, protease inhibitors, grapefruit juice, macrolide antibiotics) Note: doses of digoxin or drugs metabolized by CYP450 2D6 (TCAs, some antipsychotics) may need to be adjusted if used with Ranexa. AND The dose requested does not exceed 3 tablets/day (500 mg) or 2 tablets/day (1000 mg).
TOPICAL		
NITREK® (nitroglycerin transdermal patch) NITRO-BID® (nitroglycerin ointment) NITROGLYCERIN TRANSDERMAL PATCHES† (compare to Nitro-Dur®)	Nitro-Dur®* (nitroglycerin transdermal patch)	**Nitro-Dur:** patient has had a side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to Nitrek or generic nitroglycerin transdermal patches.
SINUS NODE INHIBITORS		
	Corlanor® (ivabradine) (QL=60 tabs/30 days)	**Corlanor Clinical Criteria:** • Diagnosis of stable, symptomatic heart failure AND

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		• Left ventricular ejection fraction of ≤ 35% AND • Resting heart rate ≥ 70 bpm AND • In sinus rhythm AND • Persisting symptoms despite maximally tolerated doses of beta blockers or who have contraindication to beta blocker therapy
CORTICOSTEROIDS: ORAL		
CORTISONE ACETATE tablets DEXAMETHASONE† tablets, elixir, intensol, solution DEXPAK® tabs (dexamethasone taper pack) HYDROCORTISONE† tab (compare to Cortef®) MEDROL® (methylprednisolone) 2mg tablets METHYLPREDNISOLONE† (compare to Medrol®) tabs METHYLPREDNISOLONE DOSE PACK† (compare to Medrol Dose Pack®) tabs ORAPRED® ODT (prednisolone sod phosphate) (age < 12 yrs) PREDNISOLONE† 3 mg/ml oral solution, syrup (compare to Prelone®)	Celestone® (betamethasone) oral solution Cortef®* (hydrocortisone) tablets Flo-Pred® (prednisolone acetate) oral suspension Medrol®* (methylprednisolone) tablets Medrol Dose Pak®* (methylprednisolone) tabs Millipred® (prednisolone) tablets Millipred® (prednisolone sodium phos) oral solution Millipred DP® (prednisolone) dose pack tablets Orapred®* oral solution* (prednisolone sod phos) Orapred® ODT (prednisolone sod phos) (age ≥ 12 yrs) Pediapred®* (prednisolone sod phosphate) oral solution prednisolone sodium phosphate oral solution 25 mg/5ml Rayos® (prednisone) Delayed Release Tablet *(Quantity limit = 1 tablet/day)*	**Rayos:** The patient has had a trial of generic immediate release prednisone and has documented side effects that are associated with the later onset of activity of immediate release prednisone taken in the morning. **All Others:** The patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. OR The patient has a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to at least two preferred medications. If a product has an AB rated generic, one trial must be the generic formulation.

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PREDNISOLONE SODIUM PHOSPHATE† 3 mg/ml oral solution (compare to Orapred®) PREDNISOLONE SOD PHOSPHATE ORAL SOLUTION† 6.7mg/5ml (5mg/5ml base) (compare to Pediapred®) PREDNISONE† intensol, solution, tablets	Veripred® 20 oral solution (prednisolone sodium phosphate)	
COUGH AND COLD PREPARATIONS		
All generics MUCINEX ® (guaifenesin)	Hydrocodone/chlorpheniramine (compare to Tussionex®) *(QL = 60 ml/RX)* Tussionex® (hydrocodone/chlorpheniramine) *(QL = 60 ml/RX)* TussiCaps® (hydrocodone/chlorpheniramine) *(QL = 12 capsules/RX)* All other brands	**Tussionex, TussiCaps, Hydrocodone/chlorpheniramine suspension (generic):** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to two of the following generically available cough or cough/cold products: hydrocodone/homatropine (compare to Hycodan), promethazine/codeine (previously Phenergan with Codeine), guaifenesin/codeine (Cheratussin AC) or benzonatate. AND patient is 6 years old of age or greater. AND The quantity requested does not exceed 60 ml (Tussionex) or 12 capules (TussiCaps). AND If the request is for Tussionex□, the patient has a documented intolerance to generic hydrocodone/chlorpheniramine suspension. **All Other Brands:** The prescriber must provide a clinically valid reason for the use of the requested medication including reasons why any of the generically available preparations would not be a suitable alternative.

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CYSTIC FIBROSIS MEDICATIONS		
Preferred after clinical criteria are met: Kitabis® (tobramycin sol) (*QL= 56vials/56days; maximum days' supply = 56 days; 2 vials/day for 28 days, then 28 days off)* TOBI® (tobramycin PODHaler capsules for inhalation) (*QL = 224 capsules/56 days; maximum days' supply = 56 days) (4 capsules twice daily for 28 days, then 28 days off)*	Cayston® (aztreonam) inhalation solution (Quantity Limit = 84 vials/56 days; maximum days supply = 56 days) (3 vials/day for 28 days, then 28 days off) Bethkis® (tobramycin) inhalation solution (Quantity Limit = 56 vials/56 days; maximum days' supply = 56 days) (2 vials/day for 28 days, then 28 days off) Kalydeco® (ivacaftor) tablets (Quantity Limit = 2 tablets/day, maximum days' supply = 30 days) Orkambi® (lumacaftor/ivacaftor) (Quantity Limit= 120/30 days; max days supply=30 days) Pulmozyme® (dornase alfa) inhalation solution (Quantity Limit =60/30 days; maximum days supply=30 days) TOBI® (tobramycin) inhalation solution (Quantity Limit = 56 vials/56 days; maximum days	**Kitabis, Pulmonzyme:** diasnosis or indication is cystic fibrosis **Bethkis, TOBI, tobramycin inhalation solutions:** Diagnosis or indication is cystic fibrosis and the patient has a documented failure or intolerance to Kitabis. **Cayston:** diagnosis or indication is cystic fibrosis and the patient has had a documented failure, intolerance or inadequate response to inhaled tobramycin therapy alone . **Kalydeco:** The patient has a diagnosis of Cystic Fibrosis. AND Patient has one of the following mutations on at least one allele in the cystic fibrosis transmembrane conductance regulator gene: G551D, G1244E, G1349D, G178R, G551S, S1251N, S1255P, S549N, or S549R (documentation provided). AND The patient is > 6 years old. Note: Renewal of Prior Authorization will require documentation of member response. **TOBI PODHALER:** allowed after a trial of another form of inhaled tobramycin **Orkambi:** The patient has a diagnosis of Cystic Fibrosis AND Initial Criteria • ≥ 12 years of age • Patient must be determined to be homozygous for the *F508del* mutation in the CFTR gene as confirmed by an FDA-approved CF mutation test AND • Patient has a baseline forced expiratory volume in one second (FEV1) of 40 percent of the predicted normal value AND • If the patient is between the ages of 12-18, they must have undergone a baseline ophthalmic examination to monitor for lens opacities/cataracts • Prescriber is a CF specialist or pulmonologist Ongoing Approval Criteria

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	supply = 56 days) (2 vials/day for 28 days, then 28 days off) Tobramycin inhalation solution† (compare to Tobi®) (Quantity Limit = 56 vials/56 days; maximum days' supply = 56 days)(2 vials/day for 28 days, then 28 days off)	• Patient has stable or improved FEV1 • Patient has LFTs/bilirubin monitored every 3 months for the first year of therapy and annually after the first year • ALT or AST ≤ 5 X the upper limit of normal or ALT/AST ≤ 3 X the upper limits of normal and bilirubin is ≤ 2 X the upper limit of normal • Between the ages of 12 and 18, have follow up ophthalmic exam at least annually
DERMATOLOGICAL AGENTS		
ACTINIC KERATOSIS THERAPY		
ALDARA® (imiquimod) 5 % Cream Efudex®* (fluorouracil) 5% cream, solution FLUOROURACIL (compare to CARAC®) 0.5% cream CARAC® (fluorouracil) 0.5% cream *C=cream, F=foam, G=gel, L=lotion, O=ointment, S=solution*	Diclofenac Sodium 3 % Gel (compare to Solaraze®) *Qty Limit = 1 tube/30 days* FLUOROURACIL† (compare to Efudex®) 5% cream, 5%, 2% solution Imiquimod† (compare to Aldara®) 5 % cream Picato® (ingenol mebutate) 0.015 % Gel *Qty Limit = 3 tubes* Picato® (ingenol mebutate) 0.05 % Gel *Qty Limit = 2 tubes* Solaraze® (diclofenac sodium) 3 % Gel *Qty Limit = 1 tube/30 days* Zyclara (imiquimod) 3.75 % Cream *Qty Limit = 56 packets/6 weeks* Zyclara (imiquimod) 2.5%, 3.75 % Cream Pump *Qty Limit = 2 pumps/8 weeks*	**Imiquimod (generic) cream:** The patient has had a documented intolerance to brand Aldara **Picato:** The diagnosis or indication is actinic keratosis AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, contraindication or treatment failure with a generic topical fluorouracil product. OR The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, contraindication or treatment failure with preferred brand Aldara **Solaraze Gel, Diclofenac Gel:** The diagnosis or indication is actinic keratosis AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, contraindication or treatment failure with generic topical fluorouracil product. **Zyclara Cream:** The diagnosis or indication is actinic keratosis on the face or scalp AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with 5-fluorouracil and Aldara or generic imiquimod 5% cream. OR The treatment area is greater than 25 cm2 on the face or scalp. AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with 5-fluorouracil.

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ANTIOBIOTICS TOPICAL		
Single Agent BACITRACIN† MUPIROCIN OINTMENT† (compare to Bactroban®) **Combination Products** BACITRACIN-POLYMYXIN† NEOMYCIN-BACITRACIN-POLYMYXIN† Note: Bactroban® Nasal Ointment is not included in this managed category *C=cream, F=foam, G=gel, L=lotion, O=ointment, S=solution*	Altabax® (retapamulin) *QL = 1 tube* Bactroban® (mupirocin) Cream Bactroban®* (mupirocin) Ointment Centany® Ointment (mupirocin) Gentamicin Cream or Ointment Mupirocin cream† (compare to Bactroban®) Cortisporin® Cream (neomycin-polymyxin-hydrocortisone) Cortisporin® Ointment(bacitracin-neomycin-polymyxin-hydrocortisone) Neosporin®* (neomycin-bacitracin-polymyxin) Polysporin®* (bacitracin-polymixin) **All other branded products**	**Altabax:** The patient is being treated for impetigo. AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with mupirocin ointment AND MRSA (methicillin resistant staph aureus) has been ruled out by culture **Bactroban Cream or Ointment, mupirocin cream, Centany Ointment:** The patient has had a documented intolerance with generic mupirocin ointment AND If the request is for brand Bactroban Cream, the patient has also had a documented intolerance to the generic equivalent. **Cortisporin Cream or Ointment, Gentamicin Cream or Ointment:** The patient has had a documented side-effect, allergy or treatment failure with at least one preferred generic topical antibiotic **Neosporin/ Polysporin:** The patient has had a documented intolerance with a generic equivalent of the requested medication
ANTIFUNGALS: ONYCHOMYCOSIS		
Ciclopirox † 8 % solution (compare to Penlac® Nail Lacquer) QL =6.6 ml/90 days	Penlac® Nail Lacquer (ciclopirox 8 % solution) QL = 6.6 ml/90 Kerydin® Jublia® QL=48 weeks treatment	**Jublia, Kerydin, Penlac Sol:** The patient meets at least 1 of the following criteria: Pain to affected area that limits normal activity, Diabetes Mellitus, Patient is immunocompromised, Patient has diagnosis of systemic dermatosis, Patient has significant vascular compromise. Documented intolerance to generic ciclopirox 8% solution. **LIMITATIONS:** Coverage of Onychomycosis agents will NOT be approved solely

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		for cosmetic purposes. Kits with multiple drug products or non-drug items not covered.
ANTIFUNGALS: TOPICAL		
Single Agent CICLOPIROX † (compare to Loprox®) 0.77% C, Sus, G; 1%Sh CLOTRIMAZOLE†(formerly Lotrimin®) 1% C, S ECONAZOLE † (formerly Spectazole®) 1% C KETOCONAZOLE † (compare to Kuric®, Nizoral®) 2% C, 2% Sh MICONAZOLE † all generic/OTC products NYSTATIN † O, C, P (compare to Mycostatin®, Nystop®, Pedi-Dri®, Nyamyc®) TOLNAFTATE † (compare to Tinactin®) 1% C, P, Sp, S **Combination Products** CLOTRIMAZOLE W/BETAMETHASONE † (compare to Lotrisone®) C, L	Ertaczo® (sertaconazole) 2% C Exelderm® (sulconazole) 1% C, S Extina® (ketoconazole) 2% F Ketoconazole† (compare to Extina®) 2 % Foam Lamisil RX/OTC® (terbinafine) 1% C, S, Sp, G Luzu® (luliconazole) 1% Cream Mentax®) 1% C Naftin® (naftifine) 1% & 2% C, 1%, 2% G Nizoral®* (ketoconazole) 2% Sh Nystop®, Pedi-Dri®, Nyamyc®* (nystatin) P Oxistat® (oxiconazole) 1% C, L Lotrisone®* (clotrimazole w/betamethasone) C, L Vusion® (miconazole w/zinc oxide) O *(QL=50 g/30 days)* **All other branded products** **Note**: Please refer to "Dermatological: Antifungals: Onychomycosis" for ciclopirox solution and Penlac® Nail Lacquer	**All Brands (except Vusion):** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to at least TWO different preferred generic topical antifungal agents. (If a product has an AB rated generic, one trial must be the generic equivalent of the requested product.) OR The patient has a contraindication that supports the need for a specific product or dosage form of a brand topical antifungal. **Ketoconazole Foam:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to at least TWO different preferred generic topical antifungal agents. **Vusion:** The patient has a diagnosis of diaper dermatitis complicated by documented candidiasis AND The patient is at least 4 weeks of age. AND The patient has had two trials (with two different preferred antifungal agents) used in combination with a zinc oxide diaper rash product resulting in documented side effects, allergy, or treatment failures. **Limitations:** Foam products (e.g. Ecoza (econazole nitrate)) not covered. Other topical dosage preparations preferred.

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NYSTATIN W/TRIAMCINOLONE † (formerly Mycolog II®) C, O *C=cream, F=foam, G=gel, L=lotion, P=powder, S=solution, Sh=shampoo, Sp=spray, Sus=suspension*		
ANTIVIRALS: TOPICAL		
ABREVA OTC (docosanol) 10% C *C=cream, O=ointment* Note: See Anti-Infectives: Antivirals: Herpes: Oral for Sitavig®	Acyclovir (compare to Zovirax®) 5 % O Denavir® (penciclovir) 1% C Zovirax® (acyclovir) 5% C, O Xerese® (acyclovir 5%/hydrocortisone 1%) C	**Denavir:** The patient has a diagnosis of oral herpes simplex infection and a failure of both oral antiviral and Abreva OTC. **Acyclovir, Zovirax:** If prescribed for the treatment of oral herpes simplex infection, the patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure (at least one course of four or more days) with Denavir. ** Topical antiviral therapy offers minimal clinical benefit in the treatment of genital herpes and its use is discouraged by the CDC so topical antiviral therapy will not be approved for this indication. **
CORTICOSTEROIDS: LOW POTENCY		
ALCLOMETASONE 0.05% C, O† (compare to Aclovate®) DESONIDE† 0.05% C, L, O (compare to DesOwen®) FLUOCINOLONE 0.01% C, S, oil† (compare to Derma-Smoothe, Synalar®) HYDROCORTISONE† 0.5%, 1%, 2.5% C; 1%, 2.5% L, 0.5%, 1%, 2.5% O HYDROCORTISONE ACETATE† 1% C; 1% O (all generics) *C=cream, F=foam, G=gel, L=lotion, O=ointment,*	Aclovate®* (alclometasone) 0.05% C, O Capex® (fluocinolone) 0.01% shampoo Derma-Smoothe®* (fluocinolone 0.01%) oil Desonate® (desonide) 0.05% G DesOwen®* (desonide) 0.05% C, L, O Nucort 2% lotion (hydrocortisone acetate) Synalar®* (fluocinolone) 0.01% S Verdeso® (desonide) 0.05% F **All other brands**	**CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL (NON-PREFERRED AGENTS):** The patient has a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to at least two different preferred agents of similar potency. (If a product has an AB rated generic, one trial must be the generic.) **LIMITATIONS:** Corticosteroid spray formulations (eg. Topicort Spray) not covered – use alternate dosage forms.

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CORTICOSTEROIDS: MEDIUM POTENCY		
BETAMETHASONE DIPROPIONATE† 0.05% L (formerly Diprosome®) BETAMETHASONE VALERATE† 0.1% C, L (formerly Beta-Val®) FLUOCINOLONE† 0.025% C, O (compare to Synalar®) FLUTICASONE † 0.05% C; 0.005% O (compare to Cutivate®) HYDROCORTISONE BUTYRATE† 0.1% C, O, S (compare to Locoid®) HYDROCORTISONE VALERATE† 0.2% C, O (compare to Westcort®) MOMETASONE FUROATE† 0.1% C, L, O (compare to Elocon®) TRIAMCINOLONE ACETONIDE† 0.025%, 0.1% C, L, O (formerly Aristocort® or Kenalog®)	Cloderm® (clocortolone) 0.1% C Cordran® (all products) Cutivate®*(fluticasone) 0.05% C; 0.005% O Cutivate®(fluticasone) 0.05% L Dermatop® (prednicarbate) 0.1% C, O desoximetasone 0.05% C, O (compare to Topicort®) Elocon®* (all products) fluticasone† (compare to Cutivate®) 0.05%, L Locoid®* (hydrocortisone butyrate) 0.1% C, O, S Locoid® (hydrocortisone butyrate) 0.1% L Luxiq® (betamethasone valerate) F prednicarbate† (compare to Dermatop®) 0.1% C, O Synalar®* (fluocinolone) 0.025% C, O Topicort®* (desoximetasone) 0.05% C, O Trianex®* (triamcinolone) 0.05% O Westcort®* (hydrocortisone valerate) all products **All other brands**	**CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL (NON-PREFERRED AGENTS):** The patient has a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to at least two different preferred agents of similar potency. (If a product has an AB rated generic, one trial must be the generic.) **LIMITATIONS:** Corticosteroid spray formulations (eg. Topicort®Spray) not covered – use alternate dosage forms.
CORTICOSTEROIDS: HIGH POTENCY		
AUGMENTED BETAMETHASONE† 0.05% C (compare to Diprolene® AF) BETAMETHASONE VALERATE† 0.1% O	Amcinonide† (formerly Cyclocort®) Apexicon E® (diflorasone) 0.05% C	**CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL (NON-PREFERRED AGENTS):** The patient has a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to at least two different

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(formerly Beta-Val®) DESOXIMETASONE† 0.05% G; 0.25% C, O (compare to Topicort®) FLUOCINONIDE† 0.05% C, G, O, S (formerly Lidex®) TRIAMCINOLONE ACETONIDE† 0.5% C, O (formerly Aristocort®) *C=cream, F=foam, G=gel, L=lotion, O=ointment, S=solution*	Diflorasone diacetate† 0.05% C (compare to Apexicon E®) Diprolene® AF* (augmented betamethasone) 0.05% C Halog® (halcinonide) all products Topicort®* (desoximetasone) 0.05% G; 0.25% C, O **All other brands**	preferred agents of similar potency. (If a product has an AB rated generic, one trial must be the generic.) **LIMITATIONS:** Corticosteroid spray formulations (eg. Topicort Spray) not covered – use alternate dosage forms.
CORTICOSTEROIDS: VERY HIGH POTENCY		
ALPHATREX (augmented betamethasone)0.05% G APEXICON (diflorasone) 0.05% O AUGMENTED BETAMETHASONE† 0.05% L, O (compare to Diprolene®) 0.05% G CLOBETASOL PROPIONATE† (compare to Temovate®/Cormax®) CLOBETASOL PROPIONATE† 0.05% F (compare to Olux®) CORMAX (clobetasol propionate) 0.05% C, O, S DIFLORASONE DIACETATE† 0.05% O (compare to Apexicon®, formerly Psorcon E®) HALOBETASOL PROPRIONATE† (compare to Ultravate®) *C=cream, F=foam, G=gel, L=lotion, O=ointment,*	Clobetasol propionate† (compare to Clobex®) 0.05% L, Sh clobetasol propionate emulsion† (compare to Olux E®) 0.05% F Clobex® (clobetasol propionate) 0.05% L, shampoo, spray Diprolene®* (augmented betamethasone) 0.05% L, O fluocinonide † (compare to Vanos®)0.1% C Olux® * /Olux E® (clobetasol propionate) 0.05% F Temovate®* (clobetasol propionate) 0.05% C, G, O, S Vanos® (fluocinonide) 0.1% C Ultravate®* (halobetasol propionate) 0.05% C, O **All other brands**	**CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL (NON-PREFERRED AGENTS)**: The patient has a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to at least two different preferred agents of similar potency. (If a product has an AB rated generic, one trial must be the generic.) **LIMITATIONS:** Corticosteroid spray formulations (eg. Topicort Spray) not covered – use alternate dosage forms.

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GENITAL WART THERAPY		
ALDARA® (imiqumod 5%)	Imiquimod† 5 % (compare to Aldara®) cream Condylox® Gel (podofilox gel)	**Condylox gel, Veregan:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with Aldara **Condylox Solution:** The patient has had a documented intolerance to generic podofilox solution.
PODOFILOX SOLUTION† (compare to Condylox®)	Condylox®* solution (podofilox solution) Veregan® (sinecatechins ointment) (Quantity limit = 15 grams (1 tube)/per 30 days) Zyclara® (imiquimod 3.75%) Cream (Quantity limit = 56 packets)/per 8 weeks) Zyclara® (imiquimod 3.75%) Cream Pump (Quantity limit = 2 pumps/per 8 weeks)	**Imiquimod (generic) cream:** The patient has had a documented intolerance to brand Aldara
IMMUNOMODULATORS		
Effective 11/1/06: PA required for Elidel / Protopic/tacrolimus for children < 2 years. Quantity Limit = 30 gm / fill, 90 gm / 6 mos. Step Therapy required (previous trial of topical steroid for patients ≥ 2 yrs). Protopic/tacrolimus ointment concentration limited to 0.03% for age < 16 years old.		
ELIDEL® (pimecrolimus) § PROTOPTIC® (tacrolimus) §	Elidel® (pimecrolimus) (age < 2 yrs) Protopic® (tacrolimus) (age < 2 yrs) Tacrolimis Ointment† (compare to Protopic®) All Patient	**Criteria for Approval Age < 2 years** (requests will be approved for up to 6 months): The patient has a diagnosis of atopic dermatitis (eczema). AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with at least one moderate to high potency topical corticosteroid within the last 6 months. AND The quantity requested does not exceed 30 grams/fill and 90

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		grams/6 months. AND If the request is for generic tacrolimus ointment, the patient has a documented intolerance to brand Protopic. **Criteria for Approval Age > 2 years** (requests will be approved for up to 1 year): The patient has a diagnosis of atopic dermatitis (eczema). AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with at least one moderate to high potency topical corticosteroid within the last 6 months. AND The quantity requested does not exceed 30 grams/fill and 90 grams/6 months. AND If the request is for generic tacrolimus ointment, the patient has a documented intolerance to brand Protopic.
SCABICIDES AND PEDICULOCIDES		
SCABICIDES PERMETHRIN† 5 % (compare to Elimite®) *C*	Eurax® (crotamiton 10 %) *C, L* Lindane† *L* Lindane† *Sh*	**NON-PREFERRED SCABICIDES:** The patient has had a documented side effect or allergy to permethrin cream or treatment failure with two treatments of permethrin cream.
PEDICULICIDES (lice treatment) PERMETHRIN† 1 % *CR, L* PIPERONYL BUTOXIDE AND PYRETHRINS† *G, S, Sh* **Preferred after clinical criteria are met (1 OTC step via electronic PA)** NATROBA® (spinosad 0.9 %) *Ss*§ *C=cream, CR=crème rinse, G=gel, L=lotion, S=solution, Sh=shampoo, Sp=spray, Ss=suspension*	Malathion †*L* (compare to Ovide®) Ovide® (malathion) *L* Sklice® (Ivermectin 0.5 %) *L* Spinosad† (compare to Natroba) *Ss* Ulesfia® (benzyl alcohol 5%) *L* All other brand and generic Scabicides and Pediculicides	**Natroba:** The patient has had a documented side effect or allergy to OTC permethrin and piperonyl butoxide and pyrethrins or treatment failure with one treatment of OTC permethrin or piperonyl butoxide and pyrethrins. **Non-Preferred Pediculicides:** The patient has had a documented side effect or allergy to OTC permethrin and piperonyl butoxide and pyrethrins and Natroba or treatment failure with two treatments of OTC permethrin and/or piperonyl butoxide and pyrethrins and one treatment of Natroba. For approval of Ovide® Lotion, the patient must also have a documented intolerance to the generic equivalent product.

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DESMOPRESSIN: INTRANASAL/ORAL		
Intranasal **Oral** DESMOPRESSIN†	DDAVP® (desmopressin) Nasal Solution or Spray 0.01% Desmopressin † Nasal Solution or Spray 0.01 % (compare to DDAVP®) Minirin † (desmopressin) Nasal Spray 0.01% Stimate® (desmopressin) Nasal Solution 1.5 mg/ml DDAVP®* (desmopressin) tablets	**CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL:** Intranasal: The diagnosis or indication for the requested medication is (1) Diabetes Insipidus, (2) hemophilia type A, or (3) Von Willebrand disease AND If the request is for brand DDAVP, the patient has a documented intolerance to generic desmopressin spray or solution. **CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL:** non-preferred oral: The diagnosis or indication for the requested medication is (1) Diabetes Insipidus and/or (2) primary nocturnal enuresis AND The patient has had a documented intolerance to generic desmopressin tablets **LIMITATIONS:** Desmopressin intranasal formulations will not be approved for the treatment of primary nocturnal enuresis (PNE) due to safety risks of hyponatremia. Oral tablets may be prescribed for this indication.
DIABETIC TESTING SUPPLIES		
MONITORS/METERS		
Please refer to the DVHA website for covered Diabetic testing supplies.		**CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL:** The prescriber demonstrates that the patient has a medical necessity for clinically significant features that are not available on any of the preferred meters/test strips. **LIMITATIONS:** Talking monitors are not covered under the pharmacy benefit.

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TEST STRIPS/LANCETS		
DIABETIC TEST STRIPS Please refer to the DVHA website for covered Diabetic testing supplies. **LANCETS** All brands and store brands		**CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL:** The prescriber demonstrates that the patient has a medical necessity for clinically significant features that are not available on any of the preferred meters/test strips. **LIMITATIONS:** Talking monitors are not covered under the pharmacy benefit.
EPINEPHRINE: AUTO-INJECTOR		
EPIPEN® 2-PAK INJ 0.3 MG (epinephrine 0.3 mg/0.3 ml (1:1000)) EPIPEN-JR® 2-PAK INJ 0.15 MG (epinephrine 0.15 mg/0.3 ml (1:2000))	All other branded and generic products.	**CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL:** The patient has a documented intolerance to the preferred product.

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ESTROGENS: VAGINAL		
Estradiol ESTRACE VAGINAL® Cream ESTRING® Vaginal Ring VAGIFEM® Vaginal Tablets **Conjugated Estrogens** PREMARIN VAGINAL® Cream **Estradiol Acetate** FEMRING® Vaginal Ring		
FIBROMYALGIA AGENTS		
	Savella® (milnacipran) tablet, titration pack *Quantity Limit = 2 tablets/day* Cymbalta® (duloxetine) Duloxetine† (compare to Cymbalta®) Lyrica® (pregabalin)	**Savella:** The diagnosis or indication is treatment of fibromyalgia.AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to TWO drugs from the following: gabapentin, tricyclic antidepressant, SSRI antidepressant, SNRI antidepressant, miscellaneous antidepressant, cyclobenzaprine or Lyrica. **Cymbalta/Duloxetine:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to TWO drugs from the following: gabapentin, tricyclic

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		antidepressant, SSRI antidepressant, SNRI antidepressant, miscellaneous antidepressant, cyclobenzaprine, Lyrica® or Savella® (this indication not processed via automated step therapy) AND if the request is for duloxetine, the patient has had a documented intolerance with brand Cymbalta. **Lyrica:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to TWO drugs from the following: gabapentin, tricyclic antidepressant, SSRI antidepressant, SNRI antidepressant, miscellaneous antidepressant, cyclobenzaprine or Savella®, if medication is being used for fibromyalgia (this indication not processed via automated step therapy) AND If the request is for the oral solution, the patient is unable to use Lyrica capsules (eg. swallowing disorder).
GASTROINTESTINAL		
INFLAMMATORY BOWEL DISEASE INJECTABLES		
HUMIRA® (adalimumab) *Quantity limit = 6 syringes/28 days for the first month (Crohn's starter kit);2 syringes/28 days subsequently* REMICADE® (infliximab)	Cimzia® (certolizumab pegol) *Quantity limit = 1 kit/28 days (starter X 1, then regular)* Entyvio® (vedolizumab) *Quantity limit = 300mgX 3/42 days, 300mg X 1 every 56 days thereafter* Simponi® (golimumab) SC *3 of 100mg prefilled syringe or autoinjextor X 1, then 100mg/28days* Tysabri® (natalizumab)	**NOTE:** Crohn's Disease Self-Injectables (Humira and Cimzia) must be obtained and billed through our specialty pharmacy vendor, Briova. Please see the Humira and Cimzia Prior Authorization/Patient Enrollment Form for instructions. Briova may supply Remicade upon request or you may continue to obtain through your usual supplier. Briova will not be supplying Tysabri at this time – please continue to obtain through your usual supplier. **Clinical Criteria (Crohn's Disease)** **Humira, Remicade, Cimzia, Tysabri, Entyvio:** • Patient has a diagnosis of Crohn's disease and has already been stabilized on the medication. OR

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		• Diagnosis is moderate to severe Crohn's disease and at least 2 of the following drug classes resulted in an adverse effect, allergic reaction, inadequate response, or treatment failure (i.e. resistant or intolerant to steroids or immunosuppressants): aminosalicylates, antibiotics, corticosteroids, and immunomodulators such as azathioprine, 6-mercaptopurine, or methotrexate. Note: Humira and Cimzia have been shown to be effective in patients who have been treated with infliximab but have lost respone to therapy. **Cimzia additional criteria:** • Patient age > 18 years AND • The prescriber must provide a clinically valid reason why Humira cannot be used. **Tysabri additional criteria:** • The patient has a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure, or contraindication to BOTH, Remicade and Humira. **Entyvio additional criteria:** • Patient age > 18 years AND • The patient has a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure (including corticosteroid dependence despite therapy), or contraindication to BOTH Remicade and Humira **Clinical Criteria (Ulcerative Colitis)** **Humira, Remicade:** • Patient has a diagnosis of Ulcerative Colitis and has already been stabilized on the medication. OR • The patient has a diagnosis of Ulcerative Colitis and has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with at least 2 of the

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		following 3 agents: aminosalicylates (e.g. sulfasalazine, mesalamine, etc), corticosteroids, or immunomodulators (e.g. azathioprine, 6-mercaptopurine, cyclosporine, etc.). **Entyvio:** • Patient has a diagnosis of ulcerative colitis and has already been stabilized on the drug OR • Age > 18 years AND a diagnosis of ulcerative colitis AND • has demonstrated corticosteroid dependence or has had an inadequate response to or failed to tolerate oral aminosalicylates, oral corticosteroids, azathioprine, or 6-mercaptopurine. ANDThe prescriber must provide a clinically valid reason why Humira and Remicade cannot be used. **Simponi:** • Patient has a diagnosis of Ulcerative Colitis and has already been stabilized on Simponi OR • Patient age > 18 years AND Patiet has a diagnosis of Ulcerative Colitis and has demonstrated corticosteroid dependence or has had an inadequate response to or failed to tolerate oral aminosalicylates, oral corticosteroids, azathioprine, or 6-mercaptopurine. AND the prescriber must provide a clinically valid reason why Humira cannot be used.
H.PYLORI COMBINATION THERAPY		
	Helidac® (bismuth subsalicylate, metronidazole, tetracycline) *(Quantity limit=224 caps & tabs/14 days)*	**CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL:** The patient has a documented treatment failure with combinations of individual proton pump inhibitors or H2 antagonists given together with two appropriate antibiotics OR The patient has been unable to be compliant with individual agents prescribed separately. AND For approval of

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	Lansoprazole, amoxicillin, clarithromycin (compare to Prevpac®) *(Quantity limit = 112 caps & tabs/14 days)* Omeclamox-Pak® (omeprazole, clarithromycin, amoxicillin) *(Quantity limit = 80 caps & tabs/10 days)* Prevpac® (lansoprazole, amoxicillin, clarithromycin) *(Quantity limit = 112 caps & tabs/14 days)* Pylera® (bismuth subcitrate, metronidazole, tetracycline) capsules *(Quantity limit=120 capsules/10 days)*	brand Prevpac®, the patient has a documented intolerance to the generic equivalent combination product.
H-2 BLOCKERS		
FAMOTIDINE† (compare to Pepcid®) tablet RANITIDINE† (compare to Zantac®) tablet **<u>SYRUPS AND SPECIAL DOSAGE FORMS</u>** CIMETIDINE † ORAL SOLUTION RANITIDNE† syrup (compare to Zantac®)	CIMETIDINE† (compare to Tagamet®) tablet Pepcid®* (famotidine) tablet § ranitidine† capsule § Tagamet®* (cimetidine) tablet § Zantac®* (ranitidine) tablet § famotidine† (compare to Pepcid®) oral suspension § Nizatidine †Oral Solution (compare to Axid®) Pepcid® (famotidine) Oral Suspension §	**Nizatidine capsule, Pepcid tablet, ranitidine capsule, Tagamet tablet, Zantac tablets:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to at least one preferred medication. If a medication has an AB rated generic, the trial must be the generic formulation. For approval of ranitidine capsules, the patient must have had a trial of ranitidine tablets. **Famotidine Oral Suspension, Nizatidine Oral Solution, Pepcid Oral Suspension:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to ranitidine syrup or cimetidine oral solution. If a medication has an AB rated generic, there must have been a trial of the generic formulation.

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		Cimetidine tablet current users as of 05/29/2015 would be grandfathered
INFLAMMATORY BOWEL AGENTS (ORAL & RECTAL PRODUCTS)		
MESALAMINE PRODUCTS **Oral** APRISO® (mesalamine capsule extended-release) ASACOL® (mesalamine tablet delayed-release) DELZICOL® (mesalamine capsule delayed-release) *(QL = 6 capsules/day)*	Asacol HD® (mesalamine tablet delayed release)	**Azulfidine, Colazal:** patient has had a documented intolerance to the generic equivalent of the requested medication. **Asacol HD:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with two (2) preferred oral mesalamine products. **Entocort EC/Uceris ER tab:** The patient had a documented intolerance to the generic budesonide 24 hr capsules.
LIALDA® (mesalamine tablet extended-release) PENTASA ER 250mg® (mesalamine cap CR)	PENTASA ER 500mg® (mesalamine cap CR) Sfrowasa® (mesalamine enema sulfite free)	**Giazo:** The diagnosis is ulcerative colitis AND The patient is male and > 18 years old. AND The patient has a documented intolerance to generic balsalazide. **Pentasa 500mg current users as of 8/7/2015 will be grandfathered** **Sfrowasa:** The patient has had a documented intolerance to mesalamine enema. **LIMITATIONS:** Kits with non-drug products are not covered.
Rectal CANASA® (mesalamine suppository) MESALAMINE ENEMA† (compare to Rowasa®)	Entocort EC®* (budesonide 24 hr cap) *QL = 3 capsules/day* UCERIS® (budesonide) ER Tablet *QL = 1 tablet/day*	
CORTICOSTEROIDS **ORAL** BUDESONIDE 24HR (compare to Entocort EC®) *QL = 3 capsules/day* RECTAL Uceris Rectal Foam (budesonide) **OTHER**	Azulfidine®* (sulfasalazine) Colazal®* (balsalazide) Giazo® (balsalazide disodium) tablet *QL = 6 tablets/day*	

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PROKINETIC AGENTS		
Tablets METOCLOPRAMIDE† tabs (compare to Reglan®) **Oral Solution** METOCLOPRAMIDE† (formerly Reglan®) oral sol **Orally Disintegrating Tablets**	Reglan®* (metoclopramide) Metozolv ODT® (metoclopramide) *(QL= 4 tabs/day)*	**Reglan:** The patient has had a documented intolerance to generic metoclopramide tablets. **Metozolv ODT:** The patient has a medical necessity for a disintegrating tablet formulation (i.e. swallowing disorder, inability to take oral medications) AND Generic metoclopramide oral solution cannot be used
PROTON PUMP INHIBITORS		
ORAL CAPULES/TABLETS	Aciphex® (rabeprazole) tablets *(Quantity limit=1 tab/day)*	**Nexium powder for suspension, Prevacid Solutabs (for patients > 12 years old),**

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OMEPRAZOLE† RX capsule (compare to Prilosec®) *(Quantity limit = 1 capsule/day)* PANTOPRAZOLE† tablets (compare to Protonix®) *(Quantity limit=1 tab/day)* lansoprazole† generic RX capsules (compare to Prevacid®) § *(Quantity limit = 1 cap/day)*	Dexilant® (dexlansoprazole) capsules *(Quantity limit=1 cap/day)* Esomeprazole® Strontium capsules *(Quantity limit = 1 cap/day)* Nexium® (esomeprazole) capsules § *(Quantity limit=1 cap/day)* omeprazole † generic OTC tablets *(Quantity limit=1 tab/day)* omeprazole magnesium† generic OTC 20 mg capsules § *(Quantity limit=1 cap/day)* omeprazole/sodium bicarb capsules RX (compare to Zegerid®) § *(Quantity limit=1 cap/day)* Prevacid® RX (lansoprazole) capsules *(Quantity limit=1 cap/day)* Prevacid® 24 hr OTC (lansoprazole) capsules *(Quantity limit=1 cap/day)* Prilosec OTC® 20mg (omeprazole magnesium) tablets *(Quantity limit = 1 tablet/day)* Prilosec®* RX (brand) (omeprazole) capsules *(Quantity limit=1 cap/day)* Protonix®* (pantoprazole) tablets *(Quantity limit=1 tab/day)* rabeprazole (compare to Aciphex®) tablets *(Quantity limit = 1 tab/day)* Zegerid RX ® (omeprazole/sodium bicarb) caps, oral, suspension *(Quantity limit=1 cap/day)* Aciphex® Sprinkle (rabeprazole) DR Capsule	**Prilosec packet, and Protonix packet:** The patient has a requirement for a non-solid oral dosage form (e.g. an oral liquid, dissolving tablet or sprinkle). **Aciphex Sprinkle:** The patient has a requirement for a non-solid oral dosage form AND The member has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to omeprazole capsule opened and sprinkled omeprazole or lansoprazole suspension or Prevacid solutab. **Other non-preferred medications:** The member has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to Omeprazole RX generic capsules, Lansoprazole RX AND Pantoprazole generic tablets. If the request is for Prevacid 24 hr OTC or Prevacid RX, the patient must also have a documented intolerance to lansoprazole generic RX capsules. If the request is for brand Zegerid RX capsules, the patient must also have a documented intolerance to the generic equivalent. **CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL (twice daily dosing):** **Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease (GERD)** – If member has had an adequate trial (e.g. 8 weeks) of standard once daily dosing for GERD, twice daily dosing may be approved. **Zollinger-Ellison (ZE) syndrome** – Up to triple dose PPI may be approved. **Hypersecretory conditions (endocrine adenomas or systemic mastocytosis)** – Double dose PPI may be approved. **Erosive Esophagitis, Esophageal stricture, Barrett's esophagitis (complicated GERD)** – Double dose PPI may be approved. **Treatment of ulcers caused by H. Pylori** – Double dose PPI may be approved for up to 2 weeks. **Laryngopharyngeal reflux** – Double dose PPI may be approved. **LIMITATIONS:** First-Lansoprazole® and First-Omeprazole Suspension Kits

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SUSPENSION & SPECIAL DOSAGE FORMS	*(Quantity limit=1 cap/day)* Nexium® (esomeprazole) powder for suspension § *(Quantity limit=1 packet/day)* Prevacid Solutabs® (lansoprazole) *(Quantity limit=1 tab/day)* Prilosec® (omeprazole magnesium) packet *(Quantity limit=2 packets/day)* Protonix® (pantoprazole) packet *(Quantity limit=1 packet/day)*	not covered as Federal Rebate no longer offered. Nexium 24HR OTC (esomeprazole) capsules OTC Plan Exclusion - these products are not covered
GAUCHER'S DISEASE MEDICATIONS		
	Cerdelga *(Quantity limit=2 caps/day)* Cerezyme® (imiglucerase for injection) Elelyso® (taliglucerase alfa for injection) Vpriv® (velaglucerase alfa for injection) Zavesca® (miglustat) (*QL = max 3 caps/daily)* ****Maximum days supply per fill for all drugs is 14 days****	**CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL:** The diagnosis or indication is Gaucher disease (GD) type I. AND The diagnosis has been confirmed by molecular or enzymatic testing. **Age Limits** **Elelyso, Vpriv:** for patients ≥ 4 years old **Cerezyme:** for patients ≥ 2 years old **Cerdelga, Zavesca:** for patients ≥ 18 years old **Cerdelga/Vpriv additional criteria:** Failure, intolerance or other contraindication to enzyme replacement therapy with Elelyso

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		Cerdelga additional criteria:
		• For whom enzyme replacement therapy is not a therapeutic option (e.g. due to allergy, hypersensitivity, or poor venous access)
		• Testing to verify if CYP2D6 extensive metabolizer (EM), intermediate metabolizer (IM), poor metabolizer (PM), ultra-rapid metabolizer (URM), or if CYP2D6 genotype cannot be determined
		  ○ Dose max: 84mg twice/day if EM or IM
		  ○ Dose max: 84mg/day if PM
		  ○ Not indicated or URM
		  ○ Case by case determination if CYP2D6 cannot be determined
		
		Zavesca additional criteria:
		• For whom enzyme replacement therapy is not a therapeutic option (e.g. due to allergy, hypersensitivity, or poor venous access)

GOUT AGENTS		
SINGLE INGREDIENT COLCHICINE **SINGLE INGREDIENT URICOSURIC AGENTS** PROBENECID† **XANTHINE OXIDASE INHIBITORS** ALLOPURINOL† (compare to Zyloprim®) **COMBINATION PRODUCTS**	Colcrys® (colchicine) tablet *QL = 3 tablets/day (gout) or 4 tablets/day (FMF)* Colchicine tablets (compare to Colcrys®) Colchicine capsules	**Colcrys, colchicine tablets** The diagnosis or indication for the requested medication is Familial Mediterranean Fever (FMF) OR The diagnosis or indication for the requested medication is gout AND The patient has had a documented side effect or treatment failure with at least one drug from the NSAID class. OR The patient is not a candidate for therapy with at least one drug from the NSAID class due to one of the following: The patient is 60 years of age or older, Patient has a history of GI bleed, Patient is currently taking an anticoagulant (warfarin or heparin),

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COLCHICINE/PROBENECID† **PEG-URICASE AGENTS**	Uloric® (febuxostat) *QL (40 mg tablets) = 1 tablet/day* Zyloprim®* (allopurinol)	Patient is currently taking an oral corticosteroid, Patient is currently taking methotrexate **Colchicine capsules:** the diagnosis or indication for the requested medication is prophylaxis of gout flares in adults AND the patient has had a documented side effect or treatment failure with at least one drug from the NSAID class OR the patient is not a candidate for therapy with at least one drug from the NSAID class due to one of the following: the patient is 60 years of age or older, patient has a history of GI bleed, patient is currently taking an anticoagulant (warfarin or heparin), patiens is currently taking an oral corticosteroid, patient is currently taking methotrexate **Note:** after preliminary review by the Clinical Call Center, the request will be forwarded to the DVHA Medical Director for final approval. **Uloric:** The diagnosis or indication is treatment of gout AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure or a contraindication to allopurinol. NOTE: Treatment failure is defined as inability to reduce serum uric acid levels to < 6 mg/dl with allopurinol doses of 600 mg/day taken consistently. Additionally, renal impairment is not considered a contraindication to allopurinol use. **Zyloprim:** The patient has had a documented intolerance to generic allopurinol
GROWTH STIMULATING AGENTS		
*****Must be obtained through Specialty Pharmacy Provider, Briova*** (Please see Growth Stimulating Agents Prior Authorization/Enrollment Form for instructions.)**		
NORDITROPIN®	Genotropin® Humatrope® Nutropin®/Nutropin® AQ	**Criteria for Approval Pediatric:** 1) The patient must have one of the following indications for growth hormone: Turner syndrome confirmed by genetic

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	Omnitrope® Saizen® Tev-Tropin® **Specialized Indications – See Specific Criteria** Increlex® (mecasermin) Serostim® Zorbtive®	testing. Prader-Willi Syndrome confirmed by genetic testing. Growth deficiency due to chronic renal failure. Patient who is Small for Gestational Age (SGA) due to Intrauterine Growth Retardation (IUGR)and catch up growth not achieved by age 2 (Birth weight less than 2500g at gestational age of <37 weeks or a birth weight or length below the 3rd percentile for gestational age). OR Pediatric Growth Hormone Deficiency confirmed by results of two provocative growth hormone stimulation tests (insulin, arginine, levodopa, propranolol, clonidine, or glucagon) showing results (peak level) <10ng/ml. 2) The requested medication must be prescribed by a pediatric endocrinologist (or pediatric nephrologist if prescribed for growth deficiency due to chronic renal failure). 3) Confirmation of non-closure of epiphyseal plates (x-ray determining bone age) must be provided for females > age 12 and males > age 14. 4) Initial requests can be approved for 6 months. Subsequent requests can be approved for up to 1 year with documentation of positive response to treatment with growth hormone. **Criteria for Approval Adult:** The patient must have one of the following indications for growth hormone: Panhypopituitarism due to surgical or radiological eradication of the pituitary. OR Adult Growth Hormone Deficiency confirmed by one growth hormone stimulation test (insulin, arginine, levodopa, propranolol, clonidine, or glucagon) showing results (peak level) <5ng/ml. Growth hormone deficient children must be retested after completion of growth. **LIMITATIONS:** Coverage of Growth Hormone products will not be approved for patients who have Idiopathic Short Stature. **GENOTROPIN, HUMATROPE, NUTROPIN, NUTROPIN AQ,**

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		OMNITROPE, SAIZEN, TEV-TROPIN: The patient has a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to Norditropin **Increlex:** Member has growth hormone gene deletion AND neutralizing antibodies to growth hormone, OR primary insulin-like growth factor (IGF-1) deficiency (IGFD), defined by the following: o Height standard deviation score < -3 AND Basal IGF-1 standard deviation score < -3 AND Normal or elevated growth hormone level Member is ≥ 2 years old (safety and efficacy has not been established in patients younger than 2), AND Member has open epiphysis, AND Member is under the care of an endocrinologist or other specialist trained to diagnose and treat growth disorders. **Serostim:** A diagnosis of AIDS associated wasting/anorexia **Zorbtive:** A diagnosis of short bowel syndrome. Concomitant use of specialized nutritional support (specialty TPN) Prescription by gastroenterologist (specialist)
HEMOPHILIA FACTORS		
*****Must be obtained through Specialty Pharmacy Provider, Briova*****		
All Factors	None	
HEPATITIS C AGENTS		
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RIBASPHERE† 200 mg tabs Ribavirin† 200 mg tablets **Preferred Agents after Clinical Criteria are Met** HARVONI® (ledipasvir/sofosbuvir) OLYSIO® (simeprevir) 150 mg Capsules *(QL = 1capsule/day)(Mximum 12 weeks/lifetime)* TECHNIVIE® (ombitasvir, paritaprevir, ritonavir) PEG-INTRON/PEG-INTRON REDIPEN (peginterferon alfa-2b) *(QL= I kit(4 pens per) 28 days)* PEG-INTRON REDIPEN PAK 4 (peginterferon alfa-2b) *(QL= I kit(4 pens per) 28 days)* SOVALDI® (sofosbuvir) 400 mg Tablet (*QL = 1 tablet/day)(Maximum 24 weeks/lifetime unless hepatocellular carcinoma (48 weeks))* (sofosbuvir)	Non-Preferred Agents after Clincal Criteria are Met COPEGUS® (ribavirin 200 mg tabs) **DAKLINZA® (daclatasvir)** INFERGEN (interferon alfacon-1) MODERIBA® 200 mg/400 mg Dose Pak (ribavirin) PEGASYS® (peginterferon alfa-2a)*(QL=4 vials/28 days)* PEGASYS CONVENIENCE PAK®(peg-interferon alfa-2a)*(QL=1 kit/28 days)* PEGASYS PROCLICK (peginterferon alfa-2a) REBETOL® (ribavirin 200mg capsule) REBETOL ORAL SOLUTION® (ribavirin 40 mg/ml) RIBAPAK DOSEPACK® (ribavirin) ribavirin † 200 mg capsules RIBASPHER†E 400 and 600 mg tabs(ribavirin) VIEKIRA PAK® (ombitasvir, paritaprevir, ritonavir tablet with dasabuvir tablet)	**Direct Acting Agents: Daklinza, Harvoni, Olysio, Sovaldi, Technivie and Viekira pak:** • Hep C PA form must be completed and clinical documentation supplied. All requests will be reviewed on a case by case basis by the DVHA Medical Director. Combination therapy will be either approved or denied in its entirety. • Member must have Metavir fibrosis score of 3 or 4 • Prescriber must be a hepatologist, gastroenterologist or infectious disease specialist • See PA form for detailed requirements and for documentation required **Pegasys:** Diagnosis is hepatitis C AND the patient has a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure to Peg-Intron **Non-preferred Ribavirin Brands/strengths:** The patient is unable to use generic ribavirin 200 mg tablets **Quantity Limits** Peg-Intron Redipen-4 pens per 28 days
HEREDITARY ANGIOEDEMA MEDICATIONS		
Preferred Agents after Clinical Criteria are Met Kalbitor® (ecallantide)	Berinert® (human C1 inhibitor) Cinryze® (human C1 inhibitor)	**Berinert:** The diagnosis or indication is treatment of an acute Hereditary Angioedema (HAE) attack. (Approval may be granted so that 2 doses may be

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(QL = 6 vials (2 packs) per fill	*(QL = 16 vials/28 days for prophylaxis; 4 vials per fill for acute attacks)* Firazyr® (icatibant) Prefilled Subcutaneous Syringe *(QL = 3 syringes (9 ml)/fill)*	kept on hand). **Cinryze:** The diagnosis or indication is prophylaxis of Hereditary Angioedema (HAE) attacks. AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure or a contraindication to androgen therapy (i.e. danazol). OR The medication is to be used for the treatment of an acute Hereditary Angioedema (HAE) attack. **Firazyr:** The diagnosis or indication is treatment of an acute Hereditary Angioedema (HAE) attack. **Kalbitor:** The diagnosis or indication is treatment of an acute Hereditary Angioedema (HAE) attack. (Approval may be granted so that 2 doses may be kept on hand).
IDIOPATHIC PULMONARY FIBROSIS (IPF)		
	Esbriet® (pirfenidone) (*QL = 270 tabs/month)* Ofev® (nintedanib) (*QL = 60 tabs/month)*	**Clinical Criteria: Esbriet, Ofev** ○ Age ≥ 18 ○ Diagnosis of idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis (IPF-ICD-9 Code 516.31 or ICD-10 code J84.112) as well as exclusion of other known causes of Interstitial Lung Disease. ○ May not be used in combination with Ofev® or Esbriet® respectively. ○ The prescriber is a pulmonologist. ○ Clinical documentation that the member is a non-smoker or has not smoked in 6 weeks.

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		○ FVC≥ 50% of predicted ○ AND one of the following ○ High-resolution computed tomography (HRCT) revealing IPF or probable IPF. ○ Surgical lung biopsy consistent with IPF or probable IPF. **Reauthorization Criteria:** ○ Documentation the patient is receiving clinical benefit to Esbrit® or Ofev® therapy as evidenced by < 10% decline in percent predicted FVC of < 200mL decreas in FVC AND ○ There is clinical documentation that the member has remained tobacco-free.
INTERLEUKIN (IL)-1 RECEPTOR BLOCKERS		
Preferred Agents after Clinical Criteria are Met Ilaris® (canakinumab) *(QL = 1 vial/56 days)(CAPS diagnosis)* *(QL = 2 vials/28 days)(sJIA diagnosis*	Arcalyst® (rilonacept) *(QL = 2 vials for loading dose, then 1 vial per week)*	**Ilaris:** The diagnosis is Cryopyrin-Associated Periodic Syndrome (CAPS) OR The diagnosis is Familial Cold Autoinflammatory Syndrome (FCAS) OR The diagnosis or indication for the requested medication is Muckle-Wells Syndrome (MWS) AND The patient is > 4 years old OR The diagnosis is systemic juvenile idiopathic arthritis (sJIA) with active systemic features and varying degrees of synovitis with continued disease activity after initial therapy (Initial therapy defined as 1 month of anakinra (Kineret), 2 weeks of glucocorticoid monotherapy (oral or IV) or one month of NSAIDs). AND patient is > 2 years of age. **Arcalyst:** The diagnosis is Cryopyrin-Associated Periodic Syndrome (CAPS) OR The diagnosis is Familial Cold Autoinflammatory Syndrome (FCAS) OR The

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		diagnosis is Muckle-Wells Syndrome (MWS) AND The patient is > 12 years old AND The patient must have a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure or a contraindication to Ilaris (canakinumab) **Note:** Medical Records to support the above diagnosis must accompany the Prior Authorization Request.Authorization for continued use shall be reviewed at least every 12 months to confirm patient has experienced disease stability or improvement while on therapy.
LIPOTROPICS:		
BILE ACID SEQUESTRANTS		
CHOLESTYRAMINE† powder (compare to Questran®) CHOLESTYRAMINE LIGHT† powder (compare to Questran Light®) PREVALITE† powder (cholestyramine light) COLESTIPOL† tablets, granules (compare to Colestid®)	Questran®* powder (cholestyramine) Questran Light®* powder (cholestyramine light) Colestid®* tablets, granules (colestipol) Welchol® (colesevelam)	**Questran:** The patient has had a documented intolerance to cholestyramine powder **Questran Light:** The patient has had a documented intolerance to cholestyramine light powder **Colestid:** The patient has had a documented intolerance to colestipol tablets or granules **Welchol:** If being prescribed for lipid reduction, the patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to cholestyramine and colestipol. OR If being prescribed for lipid reduction, the patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to cholestyramine and colestipol.
FIBRIC ACID DERIVATIVES		
GEMFIBROZIL† (compare to Lopid®) 600 mg	Antara® (fenofibrate micronized) 43 mg, 30 mg, 90 mg, 130 mg	**Lopid:** The patient has had a documented intolerance to generic gemfibrozil. **Tricor, Trilipix:** The patient has been started and stabilized on either Tricor or

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On statin concurrently or after gemfibrozil trial TRICOR® (fenofibrate nanocrystallized) § 48 mg, 145 mg *Quantity Limit = 1 tablet/day* TRILIPIX (fenofibric acid) §45 mg, 135 mg delayed release capsule *Quantity Limit = 1 capsule/day*	fenofibrate tablets†(compare to Lofibra® tablets) § 54 mg, 160 mg fenofibrate capsule† (compare to (Lipofen®) § 50 mg, 150 mg fenofibrate micronized capsule†(compare to Lofibra® capsules) 67 mg, 134 mg, 200 mg fenofibrate micronized† (compare to Antara®) § 43 mg, 130 mg fenofibrate nanocrystallized† (compare to Tricor®) 48 mg, 145 mg fenofibric acid § 35 mg, 105 mg *Quantity Limit = 1 capsule/day* fenofibric acid (compare to Trilipix®) 45 mg, 135 mg delayed release capsule *Quantity Limit = 1 capsule/day* Fenoglide® (fenofibrate MeltDose) 40 mg, 120 mg Fibricor® (fenofibric acid) § 35 mg, 105 mg *Quantity Limit = 1 capsule/day* Lipofen® (fenofibrate) 50 mg, 150 mg Lofibra® (fenofibrate micronized) Capsules 67mg, 134 mg, 200 mg Lofibra® (fenofibrate) Tablets 54 mg, 160 mg	TriLipix (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.) OR The patient is taking a statin concurrently. OR The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to gemfibrozil. **Antara, fenofibrate, fenofribrate micronized, fenofibric acid, Fenoglide, Fibricor, Lipofen, Lofibra and Triglide:** The patient is taking a statin concurrently and has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with Tricor or TriLipix. (If a product has an AB rated generic, there must have been a trial with the generic formulation.) OR The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to gemfibrozil and Tricor or TriLipix. (If a product has an AB rated generic, there must have been a trial with the generic formulation.) **Fenofibrate nanocrystallized (generic for Tricor), fenofibric acid (generic for Trilipix):** The patient is taking a statin concurrently, OR The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to gemfibrozil. AND The patient has had a documented intolerance with the brand equivalent. **Note regarding fibrates:** For patients receiving statin therapy, fenofibrate appears less likely to increase statin levels and thus may represent a safer choice than gemfibrozil for coadministration in this group of patients - Am J Med 2004;116:408-

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	Lopid®* (gemfibrozil) 600 mg Triglide® (fenofibrate) 50 mg, 160 mg	
HOMOZYGOUS FAMILIAL HYPERCHOLESTEROLEMA (HoFH) AGENTS		
All products require a PA	Juxtapid® (lomitapide) Capsule *QL = 5 and 10 mg caps (1 per day), 20 mg cap (3 per day)* Kynamro® (mipomersen) Syringe for Subcutaneous Injection *QL = 4 syringes(4 ml)/28 days* Maximum days' supply per fill for all drugs is 28 days	**CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL:** Patient has a diagnosis of homozygous familial hypercholesterolemia (HoFH) AND Medication will be used as adjunct to a low-fat diet and other lipid-lowering treatments AND Patient does not have any of the following contraindications to therapy: ▪ Pregnancy (Juxtapid) ▪ Concomitant use with strong or moderate CYP3A4 inhibitors (Juxtapid) ▪ Moderate or severe hepatic impairment or active liver disease including unexplained persistent abnormal liver function tests (Juxtapid, Kynamro) AND Patient has tried and had an inadequate response, intolerance or contraindication to BOTH atorvastatin and Crestor AND After preliminary review by the Clinical Call Center, the request will be forwarded to the DVHA Medical Director for final approval. Note: Re-approval requires confirmation that the patient has responded to therapy (i.e. decreased LDL levels) AND the patient does not have any contraindications to therapy.
NICOTINIC ACID DERIVATIVES		
IMMEDIATE RELEASE PRODUCTS NIACIN† NIACOR®† (niacin)	Niacin extended release† (compare to Niaspan®)	**CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL:** The patient has a documented intolerance to the branded product.

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EXTENDED RELEASE PRODUCTS NIASPAN® (niacin extended release)		
HIGH INTENSITY STATINS		
ATORVASTATIN† 40 or 80 mg (compare to Lipitor®) *(QL = 1 tablet/day)* CRESTOR® 20 or 40 mg (rosuvastatin calcium) *(QL = 1 tablet/day)*	Lipitor®* (atorvastatin) 40 or 80 mg *(QL = 1 tablet/day)*	**Lipitor 40 or 80 mg:** The patient has had a documented intolerance to generic atorvastatin.
MODERATE INTENSITY STATINS		
atorvastatin† 10 or 20 mg (compare to Lipitor®) *(QL = 1 tablet/day)* CRESTOR® 5 or 10 mg (rosuvastatin calcium) *(QL = 1 tablet/day)* LOVASTATIN† 40 mg (compare to Mevacor®) *(QL = 1 tablet/day)* PRAVASTATIN† 40 or 80 mg (compare to Pravachol®)) *(QL = 1 tablet/day* SIMVASTATIN† 20 or 40 mg (compare to Zocor®) *(QL = 1 tablet/day*	Altoprev® 40 or 60 mg (lovastatin SR) *(QL = 1 tablet/day)* fluvastatin† 40 mg (compare to Lescol®) *(QL = 2 tabs/day)* Lescol® 40 mg (fluvastatin) *(QL = 2 tabs/day)* Lescol® XL 80 mg (fluvastatin XL) *(QL = 1 tablet/day)* Lipitor® (atorvastatin) 10 or 20 mg *(QL = 1 tablet/day)* Livalo® 2 or 4 mg (pitavastatin) *(QL = 1 tablet/day)* Mevacor®* 40 mg (lovastatin)) *(QL = 1 tab/day)* Pravachol®* 40 or 80 mg (pravastatin)*(QL = 1 tab/day)* Zocor®* (simvastatin) 20 or 40 mg *(QL = 1 tablet/day)*	**/Lipitor 10 or 20 mg:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or contraindication to generic simvastatin OR The patient has had an inadequate response to a six week trial of simvastatin 40 mg/day AND If the request is for Lipitor, the patient has had a documented intolerance to generic atorvastatin. **Altoprev 40 or 60 mg, fluvastatin 40 mg BID, Lescol 40 mg BID, Lescol XL, Livalo 2 or 4 mg:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or contraindication to all 3 of generic lovastatin, pravastatin and simvastatin. OR The patient has had inadequate responses to six week trial of each of lovastatin 40 mg/day, pravastatin 80mg/day, simvastatin 40 mg/day and Crestor 10 mg/day. AND If the request is for Lescol, the patient has had a documented intolerance to generic fluvastatin.

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		Mevacor 40 mg, Pravachol 40 or 80 mg, Zocor 20 or 40 mg: The patient has had documented intolerance to the generic equivalent **LIMITATIONS: Simvastatin 80 mg:** initiation of simvastatin 80 mg or titration to 80 mg is not recommended by the FDA due to the increased risk of myopathy, including rhabdomyolysis. Patients may only continue on this dose when new to Medicaid if the patient has been taking this dose for 12 or more months without evidence of muscle toxicity. If the request is for Zocor 80 mg, the patient must have met the prior treatment length requirement and have a documented intolerance to the generic equivalent.
LOW INTENSITY STATINS		
LOVASTATIN† 10 or 20 mg (compare to Mevacor®) *(QL = 1 tablet/day)* PRAVASTATIN† 10 or 20 mg (compare to Pravachol®)) *(QL = 1 tablet/day* SIMVASTATIN† 5 or 10 mg (compare to Zocor®) *(QL = 1 tablet/day)*	Altoprev® 20 mg (lovastatin SR) *(QL = 1 tablet/day)* fluvastatin† 20 or 40 mg (compare to Lescol®) *(QL = 1 tab/day (20mg) or 2 tabs/day (40 mg))* Lescol® 20 or 40 mg(fluvastatin) *(QL = 1 tab/day (20mg) or 2 tabs/day (40 mg))* Livalo® 1 mg (pitavastatin) *(QL = 1 tablet/day)* Mevacor®* 10 or 20 mg (lovastatin)) *(QL = 1 tablet/day)* Pravachol®* 20 mg (pravastatin) *(QL = 1 tab/day)* Zocor®* (simvastatin) 5 or 10 mg *(QL = 1 tablet/day)*	**Altoprev 20 mg, fluvastatin 20 or 40 mg, Lescol 20 or 40 mg, Livalo 1 mg:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or contraindication to all 3 of generic lovastatin, pravastatin and simvastatin. OR The patient has had inadequate responses to six week trial of each of lovastatin 20 mg/day, pravastatin 20 mg/day and simvastatin 10 mg/day. AND If the request is for Lescol, the patient has had a documented intolerance to generic fluvastatin. **Mevacor 10 or 20 mg, Pravachol 20 mg, Zocor 5 or 10 mg:** The patient has had documented intolerance to the generic equivalent.
MISCELLANEOUS/COMBOS		
	<u>Miscellaneous</u> Lovaza® (omega-3-acid ethyl esters) Omega-3-acid ethyl esters† (compare to Lovaza®) Vascepa® (icosapent ethyl)	**Lovaza, Vascepa, Omega-3-acid ethyl esters:** The patient has been started and stabilized on this medication (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.) OR The patient has triglyceride levels > 500 mg/dL AND The patient has a documented contraindication, side effect, allergy,

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SIMCOR® (simvastatin/extended release niacin) *(Qty Limit = 1 tablet/day)* *Zetia® (ezetimibe)* *(Qty Limit = 1 tablet/day)*	*(QL = 4 capsules/day)* **Cholesterol Absorption Inhibitors/Combinations** *Liptruzet® (ezetimibe/atorvastatin)* *(QL = 1 tablet/day)* *Vytorin® (ezetimibe/simvastatin)* *(QL = 1 tablet/day)* **Other Statin Combinations** Advicor® (lovastatin/extended release niacin) *(Qty Limit = 1 tablet/day)* Amlodipine/atorvastatin † (compare to Caduet®) *(Qty Limit = 1 tablet/day)* Caduet® (atorvastatin/amlodipine) *(Qty Limit = 1 tablet/day)*	or treatment failure to a fibric acid derivative and niacin. AND If the request is for brand Lovaza, the patient has a documented intolerance to the generic equivalent. **Amlodipine/atorvastatin, Caduet:** The prescriber must provide a clinically valid reason for the use of the requested medication. For approval of Caduet, the patient must have also had a documented intolerance to the generic equivalent. For combinations containing 40mg or 80 mg atorvastatin, the individual generic components are available without PA and should be prescribed. **Advicor:** The patient is unable to take the individual drug components separately. . **Liptruzet, Vytorin:** The patient has had an inadequate response to atorvastatin or Crestor. AND If the request is for Vytorin 10/80, the patient has been taking this dose for 12 or more months without evidence of muscle toxicity.
MISCELLANEOUS		
Pyridostigmine bromide (Compare to Mestinon) **PREFRRED AFTER CLINICAL CRITERIA ARE MET** Carbaglu® dispersible tablets (carglumic acid) *(Maximum days supply per fill = 14 days)*	Mestinon® Benlysta® (belimumab) Vials *(Maximum days supply per fill = 28 days)* Elaprase® (idursulfase) *(QL = calculated dose/week)* Cuvposa® oral solution (glycopyrrolate)* **Maximum days supply per fill is 30 days**	**Benylsta:** The diagnosis or indication is active systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE) AND The patient is positive for autoantibodies (anti-nuclear antibody (ANA) and/or anti-double-stranded DNA (anti-dsDNA). AND The patient has had a documented inadequate response or intolerance to at least TWO of the following agents: NSAIDs, hydroxychloroquine, prednisone, azathioprine, methotrexate, mycophenolate. **Note:** The efficacy of Benlysta® has not been evaluated in patients with severe active lupus nephritis or severe active central nervous system lupus. Benlysta has

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GLYCOPYRROLATE 1 mg, 2 mg tablets (compare to Robinul®, Robinul Forte®) **Preferred After Clinical Criteria Are Met** MAKENA® (hydroxyprogesterone caproate) injection 250 mg/ml 5 ml vials Maximum fill = 5 ml/fill (35 day supply)	Glycate® 1.5 mg tablet (glycopyrrolate) *Quantity limit = 5 tablets/day* Robinul® 1 mg tablet (glycopyrrolate) Robinul® Forte 2 mg tablet (glycopyrrolate) Hetlioz® (tasimelteon) 20 mg oral capsule *Quantity limit =1 capsule/day* * Maximum days supply per fill is 30 days* Korlym® tablets (mifepristone) *Quantity limit = 4 tablets/day* Otrexup® or Rasuvo® Single-dose auto-injector for subcutaneous use (methotrexate) *(Quantity Limit = 4 syringes/28 days)* Myalept® (metreleptin) vial for subcutaneous injection *QL = one vial/day (Maximum days' supply per fill = 30 days)* Nuedexta® capsules (dextromethorphan/quinidine) *Quantity limit = 2 capsules/day* Samsca® tablets (tolvaptan) *Quantity limit = 15 mg tablets (1 tablet/day), 30 mg tablets (2 tablets/day)* Signifor® (pasireotide) Ampules *QL (all strengths) = 2 ml (2 amps)/day* Maximum days' supply = 30 days Solesta® submucosal injection gel 50 mg/15 ml *(Quantity Limit = 4 syringes/28 days)*	not been studied in combination with other biologics or intravenous cyclophosphamide. Use of Benlysta is not recommended in these situations. **Carbaglu:** The diagnosis or indication for the requested medication is hyperammonemia due to N-acetylglutamate synthetase (NAGS) deficiency AND The prescriber is a specialist in metabolic disorders (e.g., medical geneticist) or prescriber is in consultation with a specialist. Note: after preliminary review by the Clinical Call Center, the request will be forwarded to the DVHA Medical Director for final approval. **Elaprase (Hunter's Syndrome Injectable**): The diagnosis or indication for the requested medication is Hunter's Syndrome **Cuvposa:** The diagnosis or indication for the requested medication is Sialorrhea or a neurologic condition associated with excessive drooling (e.g. cerebral palsy, mental retardation, Parkinson's disease). AND The dose cannot be obtained from the tablet formulation. AND (For patients >18 years of age) The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure, or a contraindication to scopolamine patches. **Glycate:** The indication for use is adjunctive therapy in the treatment of peptic ulcer. AND The patient has had a documented intolerance to generic glycopyrrolate. **Robinul, Robinul Forte:** The patient has had a documented intolerance to generic glycopyrrolate. **Hetlioz:** Patient has documentation of Non-24-Hour Sleep-Wake Disorder (Non-24) AND Patient has documentation of total blindness AND Patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with Rozerem and at least one OTC melatonin product. **Korlym:** Patient is ≥18 years of age AND Patient has a diagnosis of endogenous

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	Soliris® (eculizumab) *(Quantity Limit = 12 vials(360 ml) /28 days) Maximum days' supply per fill = 28 days* Somatuline® Depot Injection (lanreotide) *(Quantity Limit = 0.2 ml/28 days (60 mg syringe), 0.3 ml/28 days (90 mg syringe) and 0.5 ml/28 days (120 mg syringe))* Lysteda® tablets (tranexamic acid) *Quantity limit = 30 tablets/28 days tranexamic acid† (compare to Lysteda®)* *Quantity limit = 30 tablets/28 days* Xenazine® tablets (tetrabenazine) *(Maximum 1 month supply per fill Quantity limit = 50 mg/day at initial approval (12.5 mg tablets ONLY), up to100 mg/day at subsequent approvals (12.5 mg or 25 mg tablets)*	Cushing's syndrome AND Patient is diagnosed with type 2 diabetes mellitus or glucose intolerance AND Patient has hyperglycemia secondary to hypercortisolism AND Patient has failed or is not a candidate for surgery AND Patient has a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure or contraindication to at least 2 adrenolytic medications (eg. ketoconazole, etomidate) AND Patient does not have any of the following contraindications to Korlym: Pregnancy (pregnancy must be excluded before the initiation of therapy or if treatment is interrupted for >14 days in females of reproductive potential. Nonhormonal contraceptives should be used during and one month after stopping treatment in all women of reproductive potential) OR Patient requires concomitant treatment with systemic corticosteroids for serious medical conditions/illnesses (immunosuppression for organ transplant) OR Patient has a history of unexplained vaginal bleeding OR Patient has endometrial hyperplasia with atypia or endometrial carcinoma OR Patient is concomitantly taking simvastatin, lovastatin, or a CYP3A substrate with a narrow therapeutic index (e.g., cyclosporine, dihydroergotamine, ergotamine, fentanyl, pimozide, quinidine, sirolimus, or tacrolimus). Note: after preliminary review by the Clinical Call Center, the request will be forwarded to the DVHA Medical Director for final approval. **Makena:** Patient is 16 years of age or older AND Patient has a history of singleton spontaneous preterm birth AND Patient is having a singleton (single offspring) pregnancy AND Therapy will be started between 16 weeks, 0 days and 27 weeks, 0 days of gestation AND Therapy will be continued until week 37 (through 36 weeks, 6 days) of gestation or delivery, whichever occurs first. **Otrexup, Rasuvo:** The patient has a diagnosis of rheumatoid arthritis (RA), polyarticular juvenile idiopathic arthritis (pJIA) or psoriasis. AND The patient has been intolerant to oral methotrexate AND The patient has been unable to be

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		compliant with a non-auto-injector form of injectable methotrexate (includes difficulty with manual dexterity). **Myalept:** Patient has a diagnosis of congenital or acquired generalized lipodystrophy AND Patient has one or more of the following metabolic abnormalities AND is refractory to current standards of care for lipid and diabetic management: Insuline reisistance (definced as requiring > 200 units per day), Hypertriglyceridemia, Diabetes AND Prescription is written by or in consultation with an endocrinologist AND The prescriber is registered in the MYALEPT REMS program. Note: after preliminary review by the Clinical Call Center, the request will be forwarded to the DVHA Medical Director for final approval. Reauthorization for continued use criteria: Patient has experienced an objective response to therapy • Sustained reduction in hemoglobin A1c (HbA1c) level from baseline OR • Sustained reduction in triglyceride (TG) levels from baseline **Nuedexta:** The patient must have a diagnosis of pseudobulbar affect (PBA) secondary to a neurological condition **AND** the patient has had a trial and therapy failure at a therapeutic dose with a tricyclic antidepressant (TCA) or an SSRI **AND** the patient has documentation of a current EKG (within the past 3 months) without QT prolongation **AND** initial authorizations will be approved for 6 months with a baseline Center for Neurologic Studies Lability Scale (CNS-LS) questionnaire **AND** subsequent prior authorizations will be considered at 6 month intervals with documented efficacy as seen in an improvement in the CNS-LS questionnaire **Samsca:** The agent is being used for the treatment of euvolemic or hypervolemic hyponatremia AND Despite optimal fluid restriction, the patient's serum sodium < 120 mEq/L or the patient is symptomatic with a serum sodium < 125 mEq/L. AND The treatment will be initiated or is being reinitiated in a hospital setting

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		where serum sodium can be monitored **Signifor:** Patient has a diagnosis of (pituitary) Cushing's disease AND Patient is 18 years of age or older AND Pituitary surgery is not an option or has not been curative AND After preliminary review by the Clinical Call Center, the request will be forwarded to the DVHA Medical Director for final approval. Note: Re-approval requires confirmation that the patient has experienced an objective response to therapy (i.e., clinically meaningful reduction in 24-hour urinary free cortisol levels and/or improvement in signs or symptoms of the disease). **Solesta:** The diagnosis or indication is treatment of fecal incontinence. AND The patient is 18 years of age or older AND The patient has had an inadequate response with conservative therapy, including diet, fiber supplementation, and anti-diarrheal medication **Soliris:** The patient has a diagnosis of paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria (PNH) documented by flow cytometry. AND The patient has received the meningococcal vaccine at least 2 weeks prior to therapy initiation. OR The patient has a diagnosis of atypical hemolytic uremic syndrome (aHUS). AND The patient has received the meningococcal vaccine at least 2 weeks prior to therapy initiation. Authorization for continued use shall be reviewed to confirm that the patient has experienced an objective response to the therapy. **Somatuline:** The diagnosis or indication for the requested medication is Acromegaly. **Lysteda, Tranexamic acid:** The diagnosis or indication is clinically significant heavy menstrual bleeding AND The patient has been started and stabilized on oral tranexamic acid within the previous 360 days OR The patient does not have a contraindication to therapy with oral tranexamic acid (i.e., active thrombotic disease, history of thrombosis/thromboembolism, or an intrinsic risk of thrombosis/thromboembolism), and if oral tranexamic acid is to be used

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		concomitantly with an estrogen containing hormonal contraceptive product, the risks of combination therapy have been discussed with the patient. AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, contraindication, or an inadequate response with at least one oral contraceptive or progestin containing product despite an adequate trial of at least 90 days, or a rationale for why these products cannot be used (e.g. actively attempting to conceive). AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, contraindication, or an inadequate response with at least one regulary scheduled (not PRN) NSAID or a rationale for why these products cannot be used (e.g. actively attempting to conceive). AND If the request is for brand Lysteda, the patient has had a documented intolerance to the generic product. **Xenazine:** The diagnosis or indication for the requested medication is Huntington's disease with chorea. AND Age > 18 years.
MOOD STABILIZERS		
LITHIUM CARBONATE† (formerly Eskalith®) LITHIUM CARBONATE SR† (compare to Lithobid®, formerly Eskalith CR®) LITHIUM CITRATE SYRUP†	Equetro® (carbamazepine SR) Lithobid®* (lithium carbonate SR)	**Lithobid:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with the generic equivalent of the requested medication. **Equetro:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with a carbamazepine product from the anticonvulsant therapeutic drug category

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MUCOSAL COATING AGENTS		
ALUMINUM HYDROXIDE†(formerly Amphojel®) EPISIL® (wound barrier) GELCLAIR® (povidone sodium hyaluronate glycyrrhetinic acid gel) MYLANTA/DIPHENYDRAMINE/LIDOCAINE VISCOUS (aka "Magic Mouthwash") Or other similar single or combination products	MuGard® (mucoadhesive oral wound rinse) *(QL = 4 bottles/month)*	**MuGard:** Patient is receiving radiation and/or chemotherapy. AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with at least one oral mucosal coating agent (e.g. aluminum hydroxide suspension, Mylanta) or a topical anesthetic (e.g. viscous lidocaine or diphenhydramine solutions) or combinations of similar agents. **Additional criteria for viscous lidocaine:** • Due to a FDA safety alert, viscous lidocaine will require prior authorization for children ≤3 years of age.
MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS MEDICATIONS		
Self-injectables (Avonex®, Betaseron®, Copaxone® ,Extavia® Glatopa®, Plegridy®, &Rebif®) & Aubagio®, Gilenya® & Tecfidera® must be obtained through Specilty Pharmacy Provider, Briova		
INJECTABLES **Interferons** AVONEX® (interferon *B*-1a) BETASERON® (interferon *B*-1b)	Extavia® (interferon beta-1b) Copaxone® 40 mg (glatiramer)*(QL = 12 syringes(12 ml)/28 days)* Plegridy® (peginterferon beta-1a)	**Ampyra:** Patient has a diagnosis of multiple sclerosis. AND Patient age > 18 years. **Aubagio:** Patient is at least 18 years of age or older AND Patient has a diagnosis of relapsing forms of multiple sclerosis (relapsing-remitting multiple sclerosis and progressive-relapsing multiple sclerosis) AND Patient does not have any of the following contraindications to teriflunomide: Severe hepatic impairment Current treatment with leflunomide (Arava) Patients who are pregnant or

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REBIF® (interferon *B*-1a) **Other** COPAXONE® 20 mg (glatiramer acetate) *(QL = 1 kit/30 days)* **ORAL** TECFIDERA® (dimethyl fumarate) *(QL = 2 capsules/day, maximum 30 day supply per fill)* Gilenya® (fingolimod) capsule *(QL = 1 capsule/day, maximum 30 day supply per fill)* **Preferred After Clinical Criteria Are Met** AMPYRA® (dalfampridine) tablet *(QL = 2 tablets/day, maximum 30 day supply per fill)*	Tysabri® (natalizumab) Aubagio® (teriflunamide) tablet *(QL = 1 tablet/day, maximum 28 day supply per fill)* Glatopa® 20mg (glatiramer acetate) (QL=1 carton (30 syringes/30 days))	women of childbearing potential not using reliable contraception **Copaxone 40 mg Syringe:** Patient has a diagnosis of multiple sclerosis. AND The patient has a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure, or contraindication to at least one preferred drug (not Copaxone 20 mg). AND The patient is unable to tolerate or be compliant with Copaxone 20 mg daily dosing. **Extavia:** Patient has a diagnosis of multiple sclerosis. AND The provider provides a clinical reason why Betaseron cannot be prescribed. **Glatopa 20mg:** Patient is ≥ 18 years AND diagnosis of relapsing forms of Multiple Sclerosis AND the provider provides a clinical reason why Copaxone 20mg cannot be prescribed. **Plegridy:** Patient is ≥ 18 years. Diagnosis of relapsing form of Multiple Sclerosis. Documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure or contraindication to at least three preferred drugs including at least one preferred form of interferon. **Tysabri:** Patient has a diagnosis of relapsing multiple sclerosis and has already been stabilized on Tysabri OR Diagnosis is relapsing multiple sclerosis and the patient has a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure, or contraindication to at least two preferred drugs. OR Diagnosis is relapsing multiple sclerosis and the patient has a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure, or contraindication to one preferred drug and has tested negative for anti-JCV antibodies.
MUSCLE RELAXANTS, SKELETAL		
Musculoskeletal Agents		**Amrix, cyclobenzaprine 7.5 mg, Fexmid**: The prescriber must provide a clinically

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Single Agent CHLORZOXAZONE† 500 mg tablets (compare to Parafon Forte DSC®) *(Quantity limit = 4 tablets/day)* CYCLOBENZAPRINE†5 mg, 10 mg tablets (compare to Flexeril®) *(Quantity limit = 6 tablets/day (5 mg), 3 tablets/day (10 mg))* METHOCARBAMOL† 500mg, 750 mg tablets (compare to Robaxin®) *(Quantity limit = 8 tablets/day)* ORPHENADRINE CITRATE ER† (previously Norflex®) 100 mg tablet *(Quantity limit = 2 tablets/day)* **Combination Product** *ASA = aspirin*	Amrix®(cyclobenzaprine sustained-release) 15 mg, 30 mg capsule *(Quantity limit = 1 capsule/day)* carisoprodol 250 mg tablets *(Quantity limit = 4 tablets/day)* carisoprodol†350 mg (compare to Soma®) tablets *(Quantity limit = 4 tablets/day)* cyclobenzaprine 7.5 mg† tab (compare to Fexmid®) *(Quantity limit = 3 tablets/day)* Fexmid® (cyclobenzaprine) 7.5 mg tablet *(Quantity limit = 3 tablets/day)* Lorzone® (chlorzoxazone) 375 mg, 750 mg tablets *(Quantity limit = 4 tablets/day)* metaxalone† (compare to Skelaxin®) 800 mg tablets *(Quantity limit = 4 tablets/day)* Parafon Forte DSC®* (chlorzoxazone) 500 mg tablets *(Quantity limit = 4 tablets/day)* Robaxin®* (methocarbamol) 500mg, 750 mg tablets *(Quantity limit = 8 tablets/day)* Skelaxin® (metaxalone) 800 mg tablets *(Quantity limit = 4 tablets/day)* Soma® (carisoprodol) 250 mg, 350 mg tablets *(Quantity limit = 4 tablets/day)* carisoprodol, ASA† (previously Soma Compound®) *(Quantity limit = 4 tablets/day)* carisoprodol, ASA, codeine† (previously Soma Compound with Codeine®) *(Quantity limit = 4 tablets/day)*	valid reason why a preferred generic cyclobenzaprine cannot be used. For approval of Fexmid, the patient must also have a documented intolerance to the generic equivalent. **Brand skeletal muscle relaxants with generics available (Flexeril, Parafon Forte DSC, Robaxin):** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with two different preferred musculoskeletal agents (One trial must be the AB rated generic). **carisoprodol, carisoprodol/ASA, carisoprodol/ASA/codeine, Soma, metaxolone, Skelaxin:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with two different preferred musculoskeletal agents. Additionally, if a brand name product is requested where an AB rated generic exists, the patient must also have had a documented intolerance to the generic product. **Lorzone:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with two different preferred musculoskeletal agents. **Dantrium, Zanaflex tablets:** The patient must have a documented intolerance with the AB rated generic product. **Tizanadine capsules, Zanaflex capsules:** The prescriber must provide a clinically valid reason why generic tizanidine tablets cannot be used. AND If the request is for Zanaflex capsules, the patient must have a documented intolerance to generic tizanadin e capsules

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Maximum duration of therapy all musculoskeletal agents = 90 days **Antispasticity Agents** BACLOFEN† (formerly Lioresal®) DANTROLENE† (compare to Dantrium®) TIZANIDINE† (compare to Zanaflex®) tablets	Dantrium®* (dantrolene) tizanidine† (compare to Zanaflex®) capsules Zanaflex® (tizanidine) capsules Zanaflex®* (tizanidine) tablets	
NEUROGENIC ORTHOSTATIC HYPOTENSION		
FLUDROCORTISONE† MIDODRINE†	Northera®	**Quantity Limits:** • Initial 2 weeks approval • Continued therapy approvals based on documentation of continued benefit clinically and as evidenced by positional blood pressure readings **Clinical Criteria:** • diagnosis of neurogenic orthostatic hypotension caused by primary autonomic failure (Parkinson's disease, multiple system atrophy, or pure autonomic failure), dopamine beta-hydroxylase deficiency, or non-diabetic autonomic neuropathy, AND • the presentation of symptoms including dizziness, lightheadedness, and the feeling of "blacking out" AND

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		• Failure of multiple non-pharmacologic measures as appropriate(e.g. removal of offending medications, compression stockings, increased fluid and salt intake) AND • Failure, intolerance or contra-indication to fludrocortisone AND midodrine
NUTRITIONALS, LIQUID ORAL SUPPLEMENTS		
	ALL Note: Nutritional supplements administered via tube feeds may be provided through the Medical Benefit	**EleCare, EleCare Jr:** The patient is an infant or child who needs an amino acid-based medical food or who cannot tolerate intact or hydrolyzed protein. AND The product is being requested for the dietary management of protein maldigestion, malabsorption, severe food allergies, short-bowel syndrome, eosinophilic GI disorders, GI-tract impairment, or other conditions for which an amino acid-based diet is required. **All Others:** Requested nutritional supplement will be administered via tube feeding. OR Patient has one of the following conditions where feeding is difficult or malabsorption or maldigestion occurs: AIDS, Cancer, Celiac Disease, Cerebral Palsy, Chronic Diarrhea, Cognitive Impairment, Cystic Fibrosis, Dementia (includes Alzheimer's), Developmental Delays, Difficulty with chewing/swallowing food, Inflammatory Bowel Disease, Parkinson's, Short Gut. OR Patient has experienced unplanned weight loss or is extremely low weight (see further definitions below) OR Patient has demonstrated nutritional deficiency identified by low serum protein levels (albumin or pre-albumin levels to be provided) (albumin <3.5 g/dL /pre-albumin <15 mg/dL) **Unplanned Weight Loss/Low Weight Table:** **Adult:** Involuntary loss of > 10 % of body weight within 6 months

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		Involuntary loss of > 5% of body weight within 1 month Loss of > 2% of body weight within one week BMI of < 18.5 kg/m2 **Elderly:** (>65): Involuntary loss of > 10 % of body weight within 6 months Involuntary loss of > 5 % of body weight within 3 months Loss of > 2 % of body weight within one month BMI of < 18.5 kg/m2 **Children:** < 80 % of expected weight-for-height < 90 % of expected height-for-age Mid-upper arm circumference/head circumference ratio < 0.25 **Limitations:** Infant formulas are not covered under the pharmacy benefit. Please contact WIC.
ONCOLOGY: ORAL (select)		
ALL – see Oncology:Oral order form for details of medication that must be obtained through Briova, DVHA's specialty pharmacy provider		
OPHTHALMICS		
ANTIBIOTICS		
QUINOLONES Besivance® (besifloxacin) suspension	Ciloxan®*(ciprofloxacin) ointment, solution gatifloxacin 0.5% solution (compare to Zymaxid®)	**Aminoglycosides: Single Agent:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with at least ONE preferred ophthalmic

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CIPROFLOXACIN HCL† (compare to Ciloxan®) solution OFLOXACIN† (compare to Ocuflox®) solution **MACROLIDES** ERYTHROMYCIN† ointment ILOTYCIN† (erythromycin) ointment **AMINOGLYCOSIDES** **Single Agent** AK-TOB† (tobramycin) solution GARAMYCIN† (gentamicin) ointment GENTAK† (gentamicin) ointment, solution GENTAMICIN† ointment, solution TOBRAMYCIN † solution (compare to Tobrex®) **Combination** Tobradex®* (tobramycin/dexamethasone) suspension Tobradex® (tobramycin/dexamethasone) ointment **MISCELLANEOUS** **Single Agent** BACITRACIN ointment SULFACETAMIDE SODIUM† (compare to Bleph-	Iquix® (levofloxacin 1.5 %) (preservative free) solution levofloxacin† 0.5 % (compare to Quixin®) solution Moxeza® (moxifloxacin 0.5%) (preservative free) solution Ocuflox®*(ofloxacin) solution Quixin® (levofloxacin 0.5 %) solution Vigamox® (moxifloxacin 0.5%) (preservative free) solution Zymar® (gatifloxacin 0.3%) solution Zymaxid® (gatifloxacin 0.5%) solution Azasite®(azithromycin) solution All other brands Garamycin® (gentamicin) solution Tobrex® solution* (tobramycin) Tobrex® ointment (tobramycin) TOBRAMYCIN W/DEXAMETHASONE† (compare to Tobradex®) suspension TobraDex ST®(tobramycin/dexamethasone) suspension Zylet® (tobramycin/loteprednol) suspension Pred-G® (gentamicin/prednisolone) suspension	aminoglycoside. (If a product has an AB rated generic, there must have also been a trial of the generic formulation) Combination Product: The patient has had a documented intolerance with brand Tobradex **Macrolides:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with generic erythromycin. (If a product has an AB rated generic, there must have also been a trial of the generic formulation) **Miscellaneous Antibiotics:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with at least TWO preferred ophthalmic miscellaneous antibiotics. (If a product has an AB rated generic, there must have also been a trial of the generic formulation) **Quinolones:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with ciprofloxacin,,ofloxacin, or Besivance. AND If the request is for Quixin or Zymaxid, the patient also has a documented intolerance to the generic equivalent OR The request is for Vigamox or Zymar as part of a regimen to prevent postoperative infection in patients receiving any ophthalmologic surgery.

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10®) solution **Combination** AK-POLY-BAC† (bacitracin/polymyxin) ointment BACITRACIN ZINC W/POLYMYXIN B† (formerly Polysporin®) ointment NEOMYCIN/BACITRACIN/POLYMYXIN (formerly Neosporin®) ointment NEOMYCIN/POLYMYXIN W/DEXAMETHASONE† (compare to Maxitrol®) ointment, suspension NEOMYCIN/POLYMYXIN W/GRAMICIDIN† solution (compare to Neosporin®) NEOMYCIN/POLYMYXIN W/HYDROCORTISONE suspension NEOMYCIN/POLYMYXIN/BACITRACIN/ HYDROCORTISONE† ointment POLYMYXIN B W/TRIMETHOPRIM† (compare to Polytrim®) solution SULFACETAMIDE W/PREDNISOLONE SOD PHOSPHATE solution	Pred-G® S.O.P. (gentamicin/prednisolone) ointment Bleph-10®* (sulfacetamide) solution Blephamide® (sulfacetamide/prednisolone acetate) suspenion Blephamide® S.O.P. (sulfacetamide/prednisolone acetate) oint Maxitrol®* (neomycin/polymyxin/dexamethasone) suspension, ointment Neosporin®* (neomycin/polymyxin/gramicidin) soln NEOMYCIN/POLYMYXIN W/HYDROCORTISONE oint Poly-pred® (neomycin/polymyxin B/prednisolone acetate) suspension Polytrim®* (polymyxin B/trimethoprim) soln All other brands	
ANTIHISTAMINES		
KETOTIFEN† 0.025 % (eg. Alaway®, Zaditor®	Azelastine † (compare to Optivar®) *(QL = 1*	**Pataday/Patanol:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or

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OTC, others) *(Quantity Limit = 1 bottle/month)* **<u>After trial of ketotifen 0.025 %</u>** PATADAY® § (olopatadine 0.2%)/PATANOL® § (olopatadine 0.1%) *(Qunatity Limit = 1 bottle/month)*	*bottle/month)* Bepreve® (bepotastine besilate) *(QL = 1 bottle/month)* Elestat® (epinastine) *(Quantity Limit = 1 bottle/month)* Epinastine† (compare to Elestat®) *(QL = 1 bottle/month)* Emadine® (emedastine) *(Quantity Limit = 2 bottles/month)* Lastacaft® (alcaftadine) *(QL = 1 bottle/month)* Optivar® (azelastine) *(QL = 1 bottle/month* Pazeo® (olopatadine 0.7%) *(QL= 1 bottle/month)*	treatment failure to ketotifen. **Azelastine, Bepreve, Elestat, Epinastine, Optivar, Pazeo:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to Pataday or Patanol. If the product has a generic equivalent, the patient must also have had a documented intolerance to the generic equivalent. **Lastacaft, Emadine:** The patient is pregnant and the diagnosis is allergic conjunctivitis OR The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to ketotifen. AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to Patanol/Pataday
CORTICOSTEROIDS: TOPICAL		
DEXAMETHASONE SODIUM PHOSPHATE 0.1% Sol† FLUOROMETHOLONE 0.1% S† Lotemax® (loteprednol) 0.5% O (pres. free) Lotemax® (loteprednol) 0.5% G,S PREDNISOLONE ACETATE 1% S† *E=emulsion, G=gel,O=ointment, S=suspension, Sol=solution*	Alrex® (loteprednol) 0.2% S Durezol® (difluprednate) 0.05% E FML® (fluorometholone) 0.1% O FML Forte® (fluorometholone) 0.25% S FML Liquifilm®/Flarex® (fluorometholone) 0.1% S Pred Forte®/Omnipred® (prednisolone acetate) 1% S Pred Mild® (prednisolone acetate) 0.12% S Vexol® (rimexolone) 1% S All other brands	**All Others:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with one preferred generic ophthalmic corticosteroid. (If a product has an AB rated generic, there must have been a trial of the generic formulation)
CYSTARAN		

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	Cystaran® (cysteamine) 0.44% ophthalmic solution *(QL=4 bottles (60 ml)/ 28 days)* *Maximum days' supply/RX = 28 days*	**Cystaran:** The indication for use is corneal cystine accumulation in patients with cystinosis.
DRY EYE SYNDROME		
Generic OTC Ocular Lubricants ARTIFICIAL TEARS† Ointment ARTIFICIAL TEARS† Solution REFRESH TEARS† Solution TEARS NATURALE† Solution LUBRIFRESH P.M.† Ointment And all other generics	Restasis® (cyclosporine ophthalmic emulsion) 0.05% *(QL=60 vials per 30 days).*	**CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL:** The patient has a diagnosis of moderate to severe keratoconjunctivitis sicca (dry eye syndrome) or Sjogren syndrome with suppressed tear production due to ocular inflammation AND The member does not have any of the following contraindications or exclusions to therapy: A) An active ocular infection B) Concurrent topical anti-inflammatory drugs C) Concurrent punctal plug use AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to two ocular lubricants (e.g., artificial tears, lubricant gels, etc.). **Limitations:** OTC branded ocular lubricants are not covered (as part of DVHA's comprehensive OTC policy). There is no PA opportunity for branded OTC ocular lubricants.
GLAUCOMA AGENTS/MIOTICS		
ALPHA-2 ADRENERGIC **Single Agent** ALPHAGAN P® 0.1 %, 0.15 % (brimonidine tartrate) BRIMONIDINE TARTRATE† 0.2 % (formerly Alphagan®) **Combination** COMBIGAN® (brimonidine tartrate/timolol maleate) Simbrinza®	apraclonidine† (compare to Iopidine®) brimonidine tartrate 0.15 % † (compare to Alphagan P®) Iopidine® (apraclonidine)	**ALPHA 2 ADRENERGIC AGENTS:** Single Agent: The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with at least one preferred ophthalmic alpha 2 adrenergic agent. If the request is for brimonidine tartrate 0.15%, the patient must have a documented intolerance of brand name Alphagan P 0.15%. **BETA BLOCKERS:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with at least one preferred ophthalmic beta blocker. **PROSTAGLANDIN INHIBITORS**

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(brinzolamide 1% and brimonidine 0.2%) Susp	Betagan®* (levobunolol) Betimol® (timolol) Betoptic S® (betaxolol suspension) Istalol®* (timolol)	**Lumigan, Rescula:** The patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.) OR The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with generic latanoprost and Travatan Z.
BETA BLOCKER BETAXOLOL HCL† (formerly Betoptic®) CARTEOLOL HCL† (formerly Ocupress®) LEVOBUNOLOL HCL† (compare to Betagan®) TIMOLOL MALEATE† (compare to Istalol®, Timoptic®) TIMOLOL MALEATE †gel (compare to Timotic XE®)	Metipranolol (formerly Optipranolol®) Timoptic®* (timolol maleate) Timoptic XE®* (timolol maleate gel)	**Travoprost:** The patient has had a documented intolerance to Travatan Z. **Zioptan:** The patient has been started and stabilized on the requested medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.) OR The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with generic latanoprost and Travatan Z. OR The patient has a sensitivity to preservatives used in ophthalmic preparations
PROSTAGLANDIN INHIBITORS LATANOPROST† (compare to Xalatan®) TRAVATAN Z® (travoprost) (BAK free)	Lumigan® 0.01 %/0.03 % (bimatoprost) Rescula® (unoprostone) Travoprost® (travoprost) Xalatan®* (latanoprost) Zioptan® (tafluprost)	**Xalatan:** The patient has a documented intolerance to the generic product. AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with Travatan Z.
CARBONIC ANHYDRASE INHIBITOR **Single Agent** DORZOLAMIDE 2 % (compare to Trusopt®) **Combination**	Azopt® (brinzolamide 1%) Trusopt®* (dorzolamide 2 %) Cosopt®* (dorzolamide w/timolol) Cosopt PF® (dorzolamide w/timolol) (pres-free) Simbrinza® (brinzolamide 1% and brimonidine 0.2% Susp	**CARBONIC ANHYDRASE INHIBITORS** **Single Agent:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with a preferred carbonic anhydrase inhibitor. **Combination Product:** **Cosopt:** The patient has had a documented intolerance to the generic equivalent product. **Cosopt PF:** The patient has had a documented intolerance to the preservatives in the generic combination product.

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DORZOLAMIDE w/TIMOLOL (compare to Cosopt®)	Miochol-E® (acetylcholine)	**Miscellaneous:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure with a preferred miscellaneous ophthalmic agent. If a product has an AB rated generic, there must have also been a trial of the generic formulation)
MISCELLANEOUS DIPIVEFRIN HCL† (compare to Propine®) ISOPTO® CARBACHOL (carbachol) ISOPTO® CARPINE (pilocarpine) PILOCARPINE HCL† (formerly Pilocar®) PILOPINE® HS (pilocarpine) gel PHOSPHOLINE IODIDE® (echothiophate) PROPINE® (dipivefrin)		
MAST CELL STABILIZERS		
CROMOLYN SODIUM† (formerly Crolom®)	Alocril® (nedocromil sodium) Alomide® (lodoxamide)	**Criteria for Approval:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with generic cromolyn sodium
NON-STEROIDAL ANTI-INFLAMMATORY DRUGS (NSAIDs)		

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ACULAR® (ketorolac 0.5% ophthalmic sol.) FLURBIPROFEN † 0.03% ophthalmic sol.	ACULAR LS ® (ketorolac 0.4% ophthalmic sol.) Acuvail (ketorolac 0.45 %) Ophthalmic Solution *(Quantity Limit = 30 unit dose packets/15 days)* Bromday® ophthalmic sol (bromfenac 0.09%) Bromfenac† 0.09 % ophthalmic sol (compare to Bromday®) (once daily) Bromfenac† 0.09 % ophthalmic sol (formerly Xibrom®) Diclofenac† 0.1% ophthalmic sol (compare to Voltaren®) Ketorolac† 0.4 % ophthalmic sol (compare to Acular LS®) Ketorolac† 0.5 % ophthalmic sol (compare to Acular®) Ilevro® ophthalmic susp. (nepafenac 0.3%) Nevanac® ophthalmic susp. (nepafenac 0.1%) Ocufen®* ophthalmic sol. (flurbiprofen 0.03%) Prolensa® ophthalmic sol. (bromfenac 0.07%) Voltaren® (diclofenac 0.1% ophthalmic sol	**Acuvail:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to Acular OR The patient has a documented hypersensitivity to the preservative benzalkonium chloride. **Acular LS, Bromday, Bromfenac, Diclofenac, Ilevro, Nevanac, Prolensa, Voltaren:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to Acular. In addition, if a product has an AB rated generic, there must have also been a trial of the generic formulation. **Ketorolac 0.4 %/0.5 %:** The patient has had a documented intolerance to brand Acular ophthalmic solution. **Ocufen:** The patient has had a documented intolerance to generic flurbiprofen ophthalmic solution.
OTIC ANTI-INFECTIVES		
	Ciprofloxacin† 0.2% (compare to Cetraxal®) otic	**Ciprofloxacin 0.2%:** The patient has a documented side effect, allergy,

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Anti-infective Single Agent Cipro-HC® (ciprofloxacin 0.2%/hydrocortisone 1%) otic suspension **Anti-infective/Corticosteroid Combination** CIPRODEX® (ciprofloxacin 0.3%/dexamethasone 0.1%) otic suspension NEOMYCIN/POLYMYXIN B SULFATE/HYDROCORTISONE† (compare to Cortisporpin otic®) **Miscellaneous Agents** ACETIC ACID† Otic soln ACETIC ACID-ALUMINUM ACETATE† Otic soln	solution *(Qty limit = 14 unit dose packages/ 7 days)* OFLOXACIN† 0.3% Otic Soln (formerly Floxin®) Coly-Mycin S®/Cortisporin TC® (neomycin/colistin/thonzium/hydrocortisone) Acetasol HC† (acetic acid 2%/hydrocortisone 1% otic soln) Acetic Acid/Hydrocortisone† Otic Soln	contraindication or treatment failure to both of the following: any generic neomycin/polymyxin B/hydrocortisone product, AND Ciprodex otic suspension. **Cipro-HC, Coly-Mycin S, Cortisporin TC:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to neomycin/polymyxin B sulfate/hydrocortisone and one other preferred product. **Acetasol HC, Acetic Acid/Hydrocortisone:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to at least TWO preferred otic anti-infectives.
OVER THE COUNTER (OTC) MEDICATIONS		
Please refere to the DVHA website for covered OTC categories not alreqady managed on the PDL. Many categories limited to generics ONLY and other categoires not covered. No PA process for non-covered OTCs.		

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PANCREATIC ENZYME PRODUCTS		
CREON® DR Capsule ZENPEP® DR Capsule	Pancreaze® DR Capsule Pancrelipase† 5,000 (compare to Zenpep® 5,000) Pertzye® DR Capsule Ultresa® DR Capsule Viokace® DR Capsule	**Pancrelipase 5,000 (generic):** The patient has a documented intolerance to brand Zenpep 5,000 **All others:** The patient has been started and stabilized on the requested product. OR The patient has had treatment failure or documented intolerance with both Creon and Zenpep.
PARATHYROID AGENTS		
	Natpara® (parathyroid hormone) (max dosage = 2 cartridges per 28 days)	**Natpara clinical criteria** (length of authorization 1 year) ▪ Natpara: diagnosis of hypocalcemia secondary to hypoparathyroidism (but NOT acute post-surgical hypoparathyroidism within 6 months of surgery) **AND** ▪ Natpara PA form must be completed and clinical and lab documentation supplied **AND** ▪ Must be prescribed by an endocrinologist **AND** ▪ Must be documented by **ALL** of the following: ○History of hypoparathyroidism >18 months **AND** ○Biochemical evidence of hypocalcemia **AND** ○Concomitant serum intact parathyroid hormone (PTH) concentrations below the lower limit of the normal laboratory reference range on 2 test dates a least 21 days apart within the past 12 months **AND** ▪ No history of the following: ○mutation in CaSR gene **OR**

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		○pseudohypoparathyroidism **OR** ○a condition with an increased risk of osteosarcoma **AND** ▪ Hypocalcemia is not corrected by calcium supplements and preferred active forms of vitamin D alone **AND** ▪ Patients must be taking vitamin D metabolite/analog therapy with calcitriol ≥0.25 µg per day OR equivalent **AND** ▪ Must be taking supplemental oral calcium treatment ≥ 1000 mg per day over and above normal dietary calcium intake **AND** ▪ Serum calcium must be ≥ 7.5 mg/dl prior to starting Natpara **AND** ▪ Serum thyroid function tests and serum magnesium levels must be within normal limits **AND** ▪ Documentation of creatinine clearance > 30 mL/min on two separate measurements **OR** creatinine clearance > 60 mL/min AND serum creatinine < 1.5 mg/dL
PARKINSON'S: NON ERGOT DOPAMINE RECEPTOR AGONIST		
DOPAMINE PRECURSOR CARBIDOPA/LEVODOPA† (compare to Sinemet®) CARBIDOPA/LEVODOPA† ER (compare to Sinemet® CR) CARBIDOPA/LEVODOPA† ODT (compare to Parcopa®) **DOPAMINE AGONISTS (ORAL)** BROMOCRIPTINE† (compare to Parlodel®) PRAMIPEXOLE † (compare to Mirapex®)	Parcopa®* (carbidopa/levodopa ODT) Rytary® (carbidopa/levodopa ER caps) Sinemet®* (carbidopa/levodopa) Sinemet CR®*(carbidopa/levodopa ER) Mirapex®* (pramipexole) Mirapex ER® (pramipexole ER) *QL = 1 tab/day*	**Sinemet, Sinemet CR, Mirapex, Parcopa, Parlodel, Requip, Eldepryl:** The patient has had a documented intolerance to the generic product. **Rytary:** The patient has a diagnosis of Parkinson's disease, post-encephalitic parkinsonism, or parkinsonism following intoxication from carbon monoxide or manganese AND the prescriber is a neurologist AND the patient is having breakthrough symptoms despite a combination of concurrent IR and ER formulations of carbidopa/levodopa **Amantadine tablets:** The patient has had a documented intolerance to generic amantadine capsules. **Azilect:** The diagnosis or indication is Parkinson's disease. AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with selegiline. AND

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ROPINIROLE† (compare to Requip®)	Requip®* (ropinirole) Requip XL® (ropinirole XL) *QL = 1 tab/day (all strengths except 12 mg), QL = 2 tabs/day (12 mg)* ropinirole XL† (compare to Requip XL®) *QL = 1 tab/day (all strengths except 12 mg), QL = 2 tabs/day (12 mg)*	The dose requested does not exceed 1 mg/day **carbidopa/levodopa/entacapone**: The patient has had a documented intolerance to brand Stalevo. **Mirapex ER, Requip XL, ropinirole:** The diagnosis or indication is Parkinson's disease. Requests will not be approved for Restless Leg Syndrome (RLS) AND The patient has had an inadequate response (i.e. wearing off effect or "off" time) with the immediate release product. OR The patient has not been able to be adherent to a three times daily dosing schedule of the immediate release release product resulting in a significant clinical impact. AND If the requested product has an AB rated generic, the patient has a documented intolerance to the generic product.
DOPAMINE AGONISTS (TRANSDERMAL) Neupro® (rotigotine) transdermal patch *(Quantity Limit = 1 patch/day)* *(2mg, 4 mg, 6 mg and 8 mg patches)*	Tasmar® (tolcapone)	**Tasmar:** The diagnosis or indication is Parkinson's disease. AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with Comtan.
COMT INHIBITORS COMTAN® (entacapone) ENTACAPONE† (compare to Comtan®)	Azilect® (rasagiline) (QL = 1 mg/day) Eldepryl® (selegiline) Zelapar® (selegiline ODT) *(QL = 2.5 mg/day)*	**Zelapar:** The diagnosis or indication is Parkinson's disease. AND The patient is on current therapy with levodopa/carbidopa. AND Medical necessity for disintegrating tablet administration is provided (i.e. inability to swallow tablets or drug interaction with oral selegiline). AND the dose requested does not exceed 2.5mg/day
MAO-B INHIBITORS SELEGILINE† (compare to Eldepryl®)	Amantadine† tablets (formerly Symmetrel®) (Quantity limit PA also required for ≤ 10 day supply) carbidopa/levodopa/entacapone† (compare to Stalevo®)	**Limitations:** To prevent the use of amantadine in influenza treatment/prophylaxis, days supply < 10 days will require PA.
OTHER		

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AMANTADINE† capsules (formerly Symmetrel®) (PA required for ≤ 10 day supply) STALEVO® (carbidopa/levodopa/entacapone)		
PHOSPHODIESTERASE-4 (PDE-4) INHIBITORS		
	Daliresp® tablet (roflumilast) *Quantity limit = 1 tablet/day* Otezla® tablet (apremilast) *(Starter pack – Quantity limit = 27 tablets/14 days)* *(30 mg tablets – Quantity limit = 2 tablets/day)* *** Maximum days' supply per fill = 30)**	**Daliresp:** The indication for the requested medication is treatment to reduce the risk of COPD exacerbations in patients with severe COPD associated with chronic bronchitis and a history of exacerbations. AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure, or a contraindication to at least one inhaled long-acting anticholinergic AND at least one inhaled long-acting beta-agonist. AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure, or a contraindication to at least one inhaled corticosteroid. **Otezla:** The patient has a diagnosis of psoriatic arthritis AND The patient is 18 years of age or older AND The patient has had inadequate response to, intolerance to, or contraindication to methotrexate.

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PHOSPHODIESTERASE-5 (PDE-5) INHIBITORS		
Effective 7/1/06, phosphodiesterase-5 (PDE-5) inhibitors are no longer a covered benefit for all Vermont Pharmacy Programs for the treatment of erectile dysfunction. This change is resultant from changes set into effect January 1, 2006 and as detailed in Section 1903 (i)(21)(K) of the Social Security Act (the Act), precluding Medicaid Federal Funding for outpatient drugs used for the treatment of sexual or erectile dysfunction. Sildenafil will remain available for coverage via prior-authorization for the treatment of Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension.		
	Adcirca® (tadalafil) *(Quantity Limit = 2 tablets/day)* Revatio® (sildenafil) (*Quantity Limit = 3 tablets/day)* Revatio® (sildenafil citrate) vial *(Quantity Limit = 3 vials/day, maximum 14 days supply per fill)* sildenafil citrate† (compare to Revatio®) tablet *(Quantity Limit = 3 tablets/day)* Viagra® (sildenafil) (*Quantity Limit = 3 tablets/day)*	**Adcirca (tadalafil) 20 mg, Revatio (sildenafil citrate) 20 mg, sildenafil citrate 20 mg:** Clinical diagnosis of pulmonary hypertension AND No concomitant use of organic nitrate-containing products AND For approval of Revatio, the patient has a documented intolerance to the generic equivalent. **Viagra (sildenafil citrate) 25 mg, 50 mg, and 100 mg:** Clinical diagnosis of pulmonary hypertension AND No concomitant use of organic nitrate-containing products AND Inadequate response to Revatio (sildenafil) 20 mg or currently maintained on a sildenafil dose of 25 mg TID or higher **Revatio IV:** Clinical diagnosis of pulmonary hypertension AND No concomitant use of organic nitrate-containing products AND The patient has a requirement for an injectable dosage form. AND Arrangements have been made for IV bolus administration outside of an inpatient hospital setting.

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PLATELET INHIBITORS		
AGGREGATION INHIBITORS Brilinta® (ticagrelor) Tablet *QL = 2 tablets/day* CILOSTAZOL† (compare to Pletal®) CLOPIDOGREL†75 mg (compare to Plavix®) EFFIENT® (prasugrel) Tablet *QL = 1 tablet/day* TICLOPIDINE† (formerly Ticlid®) **OTHER** AGGRENOX® (dipyridamole/Aspirin) ANAGRELIDE† (compare to Agrylin®) ASPIRIN† DIPYRIDAMOLE† (compare to Persantine®)	Plavix®* 75 mg (clopidogrel bisulfate) Pletal®* (cilostazol) Zontivity® (vorapaxar) Tablet *QL = 1 tablet/day* Agrylin®* (anagrelide) Persantine®* (dipyridamole) DIPYRIDAMOLE/ASPIRIN (Aggrenox®)	**Agrylin, Persantine, Plavix, Pletal:** The patient has had a documented intolerance to the generic formulation of the medication. **Dipyridamole/Aspirin:** The patient has had a documented intolerance to the brand formulation of the medication. **Zontivity:** The patient is started and stabilized on the medication. (Note: samples are not considered adequate justification for stabilization.) OR The patient has a history of myocardial infarction (MI) or peripheral arterial disease (PAD) AND The indication for use is reduction of thrombotic cardiovascular events. AND The medication is being prescribed in combination with aspirin and/or clopidogrel. **Limitations:** Plavix/clopidogrel 300mg is not an outpatient dose and is not covered in the pharmacy benefit.
POST-HERPETIC NEURALGIA AGENTS		
	Gralise® (gabapentin) tablet, starter pack *Quantity Limit = 3 tablets/day* *(Maximum 30 day supply per fill)*	**Gralise:** The patient has a diagnosis of post-herpetic neuralgia (PHN) AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, contraindication or treatment failure with at least one drug from the tricyclic antidepressant class. AND The patient has had an inadequate response to the generic gabapentin immediate-

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PSORIASIS		
INJECTABLES		
NOTE: Psoriasis Self-Injectables (Enbrel, Humira and Cosentyx) must be obtained and billed through our specialty pharmacy vendor, Briova. Stelara may either be obtained and billed through our specialty pharmacy vendor, Briova or through the medical benefit. Please see the Enbrel, Humira or Stelara Prior Authorization/Patient Enrollment Form for instructions. Briova may supply Remicade upon request or you may continue to obtain through your usual supplier.		
Preferred Agents After Clinical Criteria Are Met COSENTYX® (secukinumab) *(Quantity limit=8 pens or vials month one, then 4 pens or vials monthly)* ENBREL® (etanercept) *Quantity limit = 8 syringes/28 days for the first 3 months; then 4 syringes/28 days(50 mg) or 8 syringes/28 days (25 mg) subsequently* HUMIRA® (adalimumab) *Quantity limit = 4 syringes/28 days for one month*	Non-Pref. Agents After Clinical Criteria Are Met Remicade® (infliximab) Stelara® (ustekinumab) *(Quantity limit = 45 mg (0.5 ml) or 90 mg (1 ml) per dose)* *(90 mg dose only permitted if pt weight > 100 kg)*	**Clinical Criteria:** **For all drugs:** The prescription must be written by a dermatologist AND The patient has a documented diagnosis of moderate to severe plaque psoriasis and has already been stabilized on the drug being requested OR The prescription must be written by a dermatologist AND The patient has a documented diagnosis of moderate to severe plaque psoriasis affecting > 10% of the body surface area (BSA) and/or has involvement of the palms, soles, head and neck, or genitalia and has had a documented side effect, allergy, inadequate treatment response, or treatment failure to at least 2 different categories of therapy [i.e. at least 2 topical agents and at least 1 oral systemic agent, (unless otherwise contraindicated)] from the following categories: Topical agents: emollients, keratolytics, corticosteroids, calcipotriene, tazarotene, etc. Systemic agents: methotrexate, sulfasalazine, azathioprine, cyclosporine, tacrolimus, mycophenolate mofetil, etc.

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month; 2 syringes/28 days subsequently		Phototherapy: ultraviolet A and topical psoralens (topical PUVA), ultraviolet A and oral psoralens (systemic PUVA, narrow band ultraviolet B (NUVA), etc. **Additional Criteria for Cosentyx: The** prescriber must provide evidence of a trial and failure or contraindication to Humira®. **Additional Criteria for Remicade:** The prescriber must provide a clinically valid reason why either Humira® or Cosentyx® cannot be used. **Additional criteria for Stelara:** The prescriber must provide a clinically valid reason why either Humira® or Cosentyx® cannot be used.
NON-BIOLOGICS		
ORAL CYCLOSPORINE † (all brand and generic) METHOTREXATE † (all brand and generic) METHOXSALEN† (compare to Oxsoralen-Ultra®) SORIATANE® (acitretin) capsules **TOPICAL** CALCIPOTRIENE† Solution (compare to Dovonex®) CALCIPOTRIENE® Ointment (formerly Dovonex®)	Acitretin† (compare to Soriatane®) capsules Oxsoralen-Ultra® (methoxsalen) Calcipotriene† cream (compare to Dovonex®) Calcitrene® (calcipotriene) ointment calcitriol† (compare to Vectical®) Ointment *(Quantity Limit = 200 g (2 tubes)/week)* Calcipotriene/betamethasone ointment† (compare to	**Acritretin Capsules:** The patient has a documented intolerance to brand Soriatane capsules. **Calcitrene Ointment:** The patient has a documented intolerance to Calcipotriene ointment. **Calcipotriene Cream:** The patient has a documented intolerance to the brand Dovonex cream. **Dovonex Solution:** The patient has a documented intolerance to the generic product. **Oxsoralen-Ultra:** The patient has a documented intolerance to the generic equivalent. **Taclonex or calcipotriene/betamethasone diproprionate Ointment or Scalp**

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DOVONEX® (calcipotriene cream) PSORIATEC®, DRITHO-SCALP® (anthralin cream) TAZORAC® (tazarotene cream, gel)	Taclonex®) *(QL for initial fill = 60 grams)* Dovonex®* solution (calcipotriene) Sorilux® (calcipotriene) foam Taclonex® (calcipotriene/betamethasone ointment/scalp suspension) *(QL for initial fill = 60 grams)* Vectical® Ointment (calcitriol) *(Quantity Limit = 200 g (2 tubes)/week)*	**Suspension:** The patient has had an inadequate response to a 24 month trial of a betamethasone dipropionate product and Dovonex (or generic calcipotriene), simultaneously, with significant non-adherence issues. AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with Tazorac 0.05% or 0.1% cream or gel. Note: If approved, initial fill of Taclonex® or calcipotriene/betamethasone diproprionate will be limited to 60 grams. **Vectical Ointment, Calcitriol Ointment:** The patient ≥ 18 years of age AND The patient has a diagnosis of mild-to-moderate plaque psoriasis AND The patient has demonstrated inadequate response, adverse reaction or contraindication to calcipotriene AND If the request is for brand Vectical, the patient has hads a documented intolerance to the generic product. **Sorilux:** The patient ≥ 18 years of age AND The patient has a diagnosis of plaque psoriasis AND The patient has demonstrated inadequate response or intolerance to other dosage forms of calcipotriene (brand or generic) **Limitations:** Kits with non-drug or combinations of 2 drug products are not covered.
PULMONARY AGENTS		
ANTICOLINERGICS: INHALED		
METERED DOSE INHALER (SINGLE AGENT) **Short Acting** ATROVENT HFA® (ipratropium)		**Anoro Ellipta/Stiolto Respimat:** patient has a diagnosis of COPD (not FDA approved for asthma). AND ○ Mild-Moderate COPD- failure of individual and combination therapy of one

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Quantity Limit = 2 inhalers/25 days **Long Acting** SPIRIVA® HANDIHALER (tiotropium) *Quantity Limit = 1 capsule/day* NEBULIZER (SINGLE AGENT) IPRATROPIUM SOLN FOR INHALATION METERED DOSE INHALER (COMBO PRODUCT) **Short Acting** COMBIVENT® (ipratropium/albuterol) *Quantity Limit = 2 inhalers/30 days* COMBIVENT® RESPIMAT (ipratropium/albuterol) *Quantity Limit = 1 inhaler (4 grams)/30 days* **Long Acting** **All require PA.** NEBULIZER (COMBINATION PRODUCT) IPRATROPIUM/ALBUTEROL†	Incruse Ellipta® (umeclidinium bromide) *(Quantity Limit= 1 inhaler/30 days)* Tudorza® Pressair (aclidinium bromide) *Quantity Limit = 1 inhaler/30 days* Spiriva® Respimat (tiotropium) *QL = 1 inhaler/30days* Anoro® Ellipta (umeclidinium/vilanterol) *Quantity Limit = 1 inhaler (60 blisters)/30 days* *Stiolto Respimat® (tiotropium/olodaterol) (QL = 1 inhaler/30 days)*	preferred Long Acting Beta Adrenergic (LABA) and a preferred Long Acting Anticholinergic OR ○ Severe COPD- failure of one preferred Inhaled Corticosteroid/LABA combination product and the preferred Long Acting Anticholinergic. **Incruse Ellipta/Tudorza:** The patient has had documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure to Spiriva® Spiriva Respimat: patient has a diagnosis of COPD and a compelling clinical reason why they cannot use Spiriva Handihaler
ANTIHISTAMINES: INTRANASAL		
	SINGLE AGENT Astelin® (azelastine) Nasal Spray *Quantity Limit = 1 bottle (30 ml)/30 days* Astepro® (azelastine 0.15 %) Nasal Spray	**ASTELIN, ASTEPRO, AZELASTINE, DYMISTA, OLOPATADINE,** **PATANASE:** The diagnosis or indication for the requested medication is allergic rhinitis. AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to loratadine (OTC) OR cetirizine (OTC) AND a preferred

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	Quantity Limit = 1 bottle (30 ml)/30 days azelastine (compare to Astelin®) Nasal Spray *Quantity Limit = 1 bottle (30 ml)/30 days* azelastine 0.15 % (compare to Astepro®) Nasal Spray *Quantity Limit = 1 bottle (30 ml)/30 days* Olopatadine † 0.6% (compare to Patanase®) Nasal Spray *Quantity Limit = 1 bottle (31 gm)/30 days* Patanase® (olopatadine 0.6%) Nasal Spray *Quantity Limit = 1 bottle (31 gm)/30 day* COMBO WITH CORTICOSTEROID Dymista® (azelastine/fluticasone) Nasal Spray *Quantity Limit = 1 bottle (23 gm)/30 days*	nasal corticosteroid used in combination. AND If the request is for Astepro, the patient has a documented intolerance to the generic equivalent.
ANTIHISTAMINES: 1ST GENERATION		
All generic antihistamines All generic antihistamine/decongestant combinations	All brand antihistamines (example: Benadryl®) All brand antihistamine/decongestant combinations (example: Deconamine SR®, Rynatan®, Ryna-12®)	**CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL:** The prescriber must provide a clinically valid reason for the use of the requested medication including reasons why any of the generically available products would not be a suitable alternative.
ANTIHISTAMINES: 2ND GENERATION		
		FEXOFENADINE 60MG/180 MG TABLETS: The diagnosis or indication for

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SINGLE AGENT TABLET LORATADINE † (OTC) (Allergy Relief®, Alavert®) CETIRIZINE† OTC (formerly Zyrtec®) 5 mg, 10 mg tablets **After loratadine OTC and cetirizine OTC trials** FEXOFENADINE † 60 mg, 180 mg (OTC) tablets (formerly Allegra®) **COMBINATION WITH PSEUDOEPHEDRINE** LORATADINE/PSEUDOEPHEDRINE SR 12hr 5 mg/120 MG † (OTC) (Alavert Allergy/Sinus®) LORATADINE/PSEUDOEPHEDRINE SR 24hr 10 mg/240 MG †(OTC) **SINGLE AGENT ORAL LIQUID** LORATADINE † (OTC) syrup (Allergy Relief®) CETIRIZINE † (OTC, RX) syrup **CHEWABLE/ORALLY DISINTEGRATING TABLET** LORATADINE † (OTC) (Allergy Relief®, Alavert®) rapidly disintegrating tablet (RDT) (compare to Claritin®) 10	Clarinex® (desloratadine) 5 mg tablet desloratadine† (compare to Clarinex®) 5 mg tablet Levocetirizine† (compare to Xyzal®) 5 mg tablet Xyzal® (levocetirizine) 5 mg tablet All other brands Cetirizine/Pseudoephedrine SR 12hr 5 mg/120 mgOTC† Clarinex-D® 12 hr (desloratadine/pseudoephedrine 2.5 mg/120 mg) Clarinex Syrup® (desloratadine) Levocetirizine (compare to Xyzal®) Solution Xyzal® (levocetirizine) Solution Certirizine † OTC Chewable Tablets 5 mg, 10 mg Clarinex Reditabs®§ (desloratadine) 2.5 mg, 5 mg Desloratadine ODT (compare to Clarinex Reditabs®) 2.5 mg, 5 mg All other brands	the requested medication is allergic rhinitis or chronic idiopathic urticaria. AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to loratadine (OTC) AND cetirizine (OTC). **CLARINEX TABLETS, DESLORATADINE TABLETS, LEVOCETIRIZINE TABLETS, XYZALTABLETS:** The diagnosis or indication for the requested medication is allergic rhinitis or chronic idiopathic urticaria.AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to loratadine (OTC) AND cetirizine (OTC). AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to fexofenadine. AND If the request is for Clarinex or Xyzal, the patient must also have a documented intolerance to the generic equivalent tablets. **CERTIRIZINE CHEWABLE TABLETS, CLARINEX REDITABS, , DESLORATADINE ODT:** The diagnosis or indication for the requested medication is allergic rhinitis or chronic idiopathic urticaria.AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to loratadine (OTC) rapidly disintegrating tablets or requires less than a 10 mg dose of loratadine. AND If the request is for Clarinex Reditabs, the patient must also have a documented intolerance to the generic equivalent tablets **CLARINEX SYRUP, LEVOCETIRIZINE SOLUTION, XYZAL SOLUTION** **ORAL LIQUID :** The diagnosis or indication for the requested medication is allergic rhinitis or chronic idiopathic urticaria.AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to loratadine syrup AND cetirizine syrup. AND If the request is for Xyzal, the patient must also have a documented intolerance to levocetirizine solution. **CETIRIZINE D, CLARINEX-D:** The diagnosis or indication for the requested

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mg		medication is allergic rhinitis. AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to loratadine-D (OTC). **LIMITATIONS:** Many Allegra® and Zyrtec® brand products as well as Claritin capsules are not covered as no Federal Rebate is offered. Fexofenadine suspension not covered as no Federal Rebate is offered. Fexofenadine/pseudoephedrine combination products) (brand and generic) are not covered – individual components may be prescribed separately.
BETA-ADRENERGIC AGENTS		
METERED-DOSE INHALERS (SHORT-ACTING) PROAIR® HFA (albuterol) PROVENTIL® HFA (albuterol) MAXAIR® Autohaler (pirbuterol) **METERED-DOSE INHALERS (LONG-ACTING)** FORADIL® (formoterol) *(after criteria for LABA are met)* *Quantity Limit = 60 capsules/month* SEREVENT® DISKUS (salmeterol xinafoate) *(after criteria for LABA are met)*	Ventolin® HFA (albuterol) Xopenex® HFA (levalbuterol) ProAir® Respiclick (albuterol) Arcapta® Neohaler (indacaterol) *(criteria for LABA must also be met)* *Quantity Limit = 1 capsule/day* Striverdi Respimat® Levalbuterol † neb solution (compare to Xopenex®) (all ages) Xopenex® neb solution (age > 12 yrs)	**Metered Dose Inhalers (Long-Acting):** Effective 11/1/06, prior-authorization will be required for long-acting beta-adrenergic (LABA) MDIs for patients who have not been on a controller medication in the past 6 months or who do not have a diagnosis of COPD. ProAir® Respiclick: documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to ONE preferred short acting metered dose inhaler. **Foradil, Serevent:** The patient has a diagnosis of COPD OR The patient has a diagnosis of asthma and is prescribed an inhaled corticosteroid as a controller medication. **Arcapta, Striverdi :** The patient has a diagnosis of COPD (not FDA approved for asthma). AND The patient has a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to either Foradil or Serevent. **Levalbuterol nebulizer solution (age < 12 years):** The patient must have had a

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NEBULIZER SOLUTIONS (SHORT-ACTING) ALBUTEROL † 0.63 mg/3 ml and 1.25 mg/3 ml neb solution ALBUTEROL † 2.5 mg/3 ml neb solution ALBUTEROL † 5 mg/ml neb solution XOPENEX® neb solution (levalbuterol HCL) (age ≤ 12 yrs)	Brovana® (arformoterol) *QL = 2 vial/day* Perforomist® (formoterol) *QL = 2 vial/day* metaproterenol tablets/syrup † terbutaline tablets †	
NEBULIZER SOLUTIONS (LONG-ACTING)		
TABLETS/SYRUP (SHORT-ACTING) ALBUTEROL † tablets/syrup	Vospire ER®* (albuterol)	
TABLETS (LONG-ACTING) ALBUTEROL ER † tablets		**Ventolin HFA, Xopenex HFA:** The patient must have had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to ONE preferred short acting metered dose inhaler. **Vospire ER tablets:** The patient must have had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to generic albuterol ER tablets.

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CORTICOSTEROIDS/COMBINATIONS: INHALED		
METERED DOSE INHALERS (SINGLE AGENT) AEROSPAN® (flunisolide HFA) *(QL = 6 inhalers (53.4 gm)/90 days)* ASMANEX® 110 or 220 mcg/inh (mometasone furoate) *(QL =3 inhalers/90 days)* FLOVENT® DISKUS (fluticasone propionate) *(QL = 3 inhalers/90 days)* FLOVENT® HFA (fluticasone propionate) *(QL = 36 gm(3 inhalers)/90 days)* PULMICORT FLEXHALER® (budesonide) *(QL = 6 inhalers/90 days)* QVAR® 40 mcg/inh (beclomethasone) *(QL = 17.4 gm (2 inhalers)/90 days)* QVAR® 80 mcg/inh (beclomethasone) *(QL = 58.4 gm (8 or 6 inhalers)/90 days)*	Alvesco® (ciclesonide) *(QL = 18.3 gm (3 inhalers)/90 days)) (80 mcg/inh)* *(QL =36.6 gm (6 inhalers)/90 days)) (160 mcg/inh)* ARNUITY ELLIPTA 100 or 200mcg/inh (fluticasone furoate) (QL= 90 blisters/90 days) ASMANEX HFA 100 or 200mcg (mometasone furoate) *(QL=3 inhalers/90 days)*	**Metered-dose inhalers (single agent):** The patient has been started and stablized on the medication. OR The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to at least two preferred agents.
METERED DOSE INHALERS (COMBINATION PRODUCT) ADVAIR® HFA (fluticasone/salmeterol) *(QL = 36 gm (3 inhalers)/90 days)* DULERA® (mometasone/formoterol)	ADVAIR® DISKUS (fluticasone/salmeterol) *(QL = 3 inhalers/90 days)*	**ADVAIR® DISKUS** : current users as of 01/01/2016 will be allowed a 90 day grace period to transition to preferred ADVAIR® HFA. Advair Diskus will be approved for patients with asthma or COPD who have difficutly using MDIs due to lack of hand-breath coordination AND/OR have a history or develop thrush with MDI

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(QL = 39 gm (3 inhalers)/90 days) SYMBICORT® (budesonide/formoterol) *(QL = 30.6 gm (3 inhalers)/90 days)* **NEBULIZER SOLUTIONS** PULMICORT RESPULES® (budesonide) (age ≤ 12 yrs)	Breo Ellipta® (fluticasone furoate/vilanterol) *(QL = 180 blisters(3 inhalers)/90 days)* Budesonide Inh Suspension (compare to Pulmicort Respules®) (all ages) Pulmicort Respules® (budesonide) (age > 12 years)	formulations of inhaled corticosteroids AND/OR are 4-11 years old **Breo Ellipta:** The patient has a diagnosis of COPD OR Asthma (AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy,or treatment failure to Advair or Symbicort. **Budesonide Inh Suspension (all ages):** The patient requires a nebulizer formulation. AND The patient has a documented intolerance to the brand product. **Pulmicort Respules (age > 12 years):** The patient requires a nebulizer formulation.
CORTICOSTEROIDS: INTRANASAL		
SINGLE AGENT FLUTICASONE Propionate† (compare to Flonase®) *QL = 16 gm (1 inhaler)/30 days* Omnaris® (ciclesonide) *QL = 12.5 gm (1 inhaler)/30 days*	Beconase AQ® (beclomethasone) *QL =50 gm (2 inhalers)/30 days* budesonide † (compare to Rhinocort Aqua®) *QL = 8.6 gm (1 inhaler)/30 days* Flonase®* (fluticasone propionate) *QL = 16 gm (1 inhaler)/30 days* flunisolide † 25 mcg/spray (formerly Nasalide®)	**Beconase AQ, Budesonide, Flonase, Flunisolide 25 mcg/spray, Flunisolide 29 mcg/spray, Nasonex, QNASL, Rhinocort Aqua, triamcinolone, Veramyst,:**The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure of two preferred nasal glucocorticoids. If the request is for Rhinocort Aqua®, the patient has also had a documented intolerance to the generic equivalent. **Dymista:** The diagnosis or indication is allergic rhinitis. AND The patient has had a

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Zetonna® (ciclesonide) *QL = 6.1 gm (1 inhaler)/30 days*	*QL = 50 ml (2 inhalers)/30 days* flunisolide† 29 mcg/spray (formerly Nasarel®) *QL = 50 ml (2 inhalers)/30 days* *QL = 16.5 gm (1 inhaler)/30 days* NASONEX® (mometasone) *QL = 17 gm (1 inhaler)/30 days* QNASL® (beclomethasone diproprionate) HFA *QL = 8.7 gm (1 inhaler)/30 days* Rhinocort Aqua® (budesonide) *QL = 8.6 gm (1 inhaler)/30 days* triamcinolone † (compare to Nasacort AQ®) *QL = 16.5 gm (1 inhaler)/30 days* Veramyst® (fluticasone furoate) *QL = 10 gm (1 inhaler)/30 days* **COMBINATION WITH ANTIHISTAMINE** Dymista® (azelastine/fluticasone) *QL = 23 gm (1 inhaler)/30 days*	documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to loratadine (OTC) OR cetirizine (OTC) AND a preferred nasal corticosteroid used in combination. **Limitations:** Nasacort Allergy OTC not covered as no Federal Rebate is offered. Nasacort AQ RX available after PA obtained.
LEUKOTRIENE MODIFIERS		
Preferred After Clinical Criteria Are Met Montelukast sodium† (compare to Singulair®) tablets§ Montelukast sodium† (compare to Singulair®) chews§ 4mg for ages 2-5, 5mg for age 6-14	Accolate® (zafirlukast) **§** *Quantity Limit = 2 tablets/day* Singulair® (montelukast sodium) **§** tablets, chew tabs, granules *Quantity Limit = 1 tablet or packet per day*	**Montelukast:** • The diagnosis or indication for the requested medication is asthma. • The diagnosis or indication for the requested medication is allergic rhinitis. The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to a second generation non-sedating antihistamine and

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Montelukast sodium† (compare to Singulair®) granules§ ages 6months-23months	zafirlukast (compare to Accolate®) § Zyflo (zileuton) *Quantity Limit = 2 tablets/day* Zyflo CR® (zileuton SR) *Quantity Limit = 4 tablets/day*	a nasal corticosteroid. • The diagnosis or indication for the requested medication is urticaria. The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to at least TWO preferred 2nd generation antihistamines (i.e. loratadine (OTC), cetirizine (OTC), fexofenadine). • If the request is for brand Singulair tablets, chew tablets or granules; the patient has a documented intolerance to the generic equivalent montelukast preparation. **Zafirlukast, Accolate:** The diagnosis or indication for the requested medication is asthma. AND If the request is for Accolate, the patient has a documented intolerance to generic zafirlukast. **Zyflo/Zyflo CR:** The diagnosis or indication for the requested medication is asthma. AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to Accolate or Singulair/Montelukast. **Montelukast chewable and granules:** Will only be approved for appropriate FDA approved age and indications.
SYNAGIS		
	SYNAGIS® (palivizumab) *Quantity Limit = 1 vial/month (50 mg) or 2 vials/month (100 mg)*	**CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL:** Infants born at 28 weeks of gestation or earlier (i.e., ≤ 28 weeks, 6 days) and under twelve months of age at the start of the RSV season (maximum 5 doses). Infants born at 29-32 weeks (i.e., between 29 weeks, 0 days and 31 weeks, 6 days) of gestation and under 1 year of age at the start of the RSV season who develop chronic lung disease of prematurity defined as a requirement for >21% oxygen for at least the first 28 days after birth (maximum 5 doses). Children under 24 months of age with chronic lung disease of prematurity defined

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		as born at 31 weeks, 6 days or less who required >21% oxygen for at least the first 28 days after birth and continue to require medical support (chronic corticosteroid therapy, diuretic therapy, or supplemental oxygen) during the 6-month period before the start of the second RSV season (maximum 5 doses). Children under 12 months of age with hemodynamically significant congenital heart disease (CHD) (dosing continues in the RSV season through the end of the month the infant reaches 12 months old -maximum 5 doses): Acyanotic heart disease and receiving medication to control congestive heart failure and will require cardiac surgical procedures, Moderate to severe pulmonary hypertension , Cyanotic heart disease and recommended for Synagis therapy by Pediatric Cardiologist Infants under 12 months of age with either: (dosing continues in the RSV season through the end of the month the infant reaches 12 months old -maximum 5 doses) Congenital abnormalities of the airways that impairs the ability to clear secretions from the upper airway because of ineffective cough, Neuromuscular condition that impairs the ability to clear secretions from the upper airway because of ineffective cough Infants and children less than 24 months of age who will undergo a heart transplant during the RSV season Infants and children less than 24 months of age who are profoundly immunocompromised during the RSV season (e.g. undergoing organ or stem cell transplant or receiving chemotherapy). **EXCLUDED FROM APPROVAL:** Infants and children with hemodynamically insignificant heart disease. Infants with cardiac lesions adequately corrected by surgery, unless they continue to require medication for congestive heart failure.

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		Infants with mild cardiomyopathy who are not receiving medical therapy. Breakthrough hospitalization for RSV disease (Synagis therapy should be discontinued for the season once hospitalization for RSV has occurred). Infants and children with Down syndrome unless other indications above are present. Infants and children with cystic fibrosis unless other specific conditions are present This drug must be obtained and billed through our specialty pharmacy vendor for Synagis, Wilcox Home Infusion, and processed through the DVHA POS prescription processing system using NDC values. Under no circumstances will claims processed through the medical benefit be accepted.
XOLAIR		
	Xolair® (omalizumab) 150 mg subcutaneous injection vial *Quantity limit = 6 vials every 28 days*	**Criteria for Approval:** Patient must have a diagnosis of moderate to severe persistent asthma. AND patient is 12 years of age or older AND Patient has tried and failed an inhaled oral corticosteroid (with or without chronic pral corticosteroid therapy) or has a contraindication to an inhaled corticosteroid. AND Patient has tried and failed a leukotriene receptor antagonist or has a contraindication to a leukotriene receptor antagonist. AND Patient has tried and failed a long acting beta-agonist or has a contraindication to a long acting beta-agonist. AND A pulmonologist/allergist/immunologist consult has been obtained within the past year. AND Patient has tested positive to at least one perennial aeroallergen by a skin or blood test (i.e.: RAST, CAP, intracutaneous test). AND Patient has an IgE level ≥ 30 and ≤ 700 IU/ml prior to beginning therapy with

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		Xolair.This drug must be billed through the DVHA POS prescription processing system using NDC values. J codes will NOT be accepted. **Limitations:** Xolair use will not be approved if requested for prevention of peanut related allergic reaction.
PULMONARY ARTERIAL HYPERTENSION MEDICATIONS		
ENDOTHELIAN RECEPTOR ANTAGONISTS LETAIRIS® (ambrisentan) Tablet *Quantity Limit = one tablet/day* TRACLEER® (bosentan) Tablet *Quantity Limit = 2 tablets/day* **PROSTANOIDS** **Injection** EPOPROSTENOL † (compare to Flolan®) REMODULIN® (treprostinil sodium injection) VELETRI® (epoprostinil) **Inhalation** TYVASO® (treprostinil inhalation solution) VENTAVIS® (iloprost inhalation solution) **Oral** ORENITRAM® (treprostinil) ER Tablet	Opsumit® (macitentan) Tablet *Quantity Limit = one tablet/day* Flolan®* (epoprostenol) Adempas® (riociguat) Tablets *Quantity Limit = 3 tablets/day*	**Adempas:** The patient has a diagnosis of pulmonary arterial hypertension (PAH) WHO Group I with New York Heart Association (NYHA) Functional Class II or III. OR The patient has a diagnosis of chronic thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension (CTEPH, WHO Group 4) AND the patient has persistent or recurrent disease after surgical treatment (e.g., pulmonary endarterectomy) or has CTEPH that is inoperable.AND The patient is 18 years of age or older AND The patient will not use Adempas concomitantly with the following: Nitrates or nitric oxide donors (such as amyl nitrate) in any form. Phosphodiesterase (PDE) inhibitors, including specific PDE-5 inhibitors (such as sildenafil, tadalafil, or vardenafil) or non-specific PDE inhibitors (such as dipyridamole or theophylline) AND The patient is not pregnant AND Female patients are enrolled in the Adempas REMS Program **Flolan:** Clinical diagnosis of pulmonary hypertension AND The patient has had a documented intolerance to the generic epoprostenol. **Opsumit:** Patient has a diagnosis of PAH WHO Group 1 with NYHA Functional Class II or III AND Patient is not pregnant AND Female patients have been enrolled in the Opsumit REMS Program

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sGC STIMULATOR ****Maximum days supply for all drugs is 30 days****		
RENAL DISEASE: PHOSPHATE BINDERS		
CALCIUM ACETATE † (compare to Phos Lo®) capsule CALCIUM ACETATE † (compare to Eliphos®) tablet FOSRENOL® (lanthanum carbonate) RENAGEL® (sevelamer) **ORAL SOLUTIONS** Phoslyra® (calcium acetate) oral solution	Auryxia® (ferric citrate) *(QL= 12/day)* Eliphos® (calcium acetate) tablet Phos Lo®* (calcium acetate) capsule Renvela® (sevelamer carbonate) Oral Suspension Packet *(QL = 2 packs/day (0.8 g strength only))* Renvela® (sevelamer carbonate) tablets Sevelamer carbonate (compare to Renvela®) 800 mg tablet Velphoro® (sucroferric oxyhydroxide) Chew Tablet	**Eliphos, PhosLo :** The patient must have a documented intolerance to the generic equivalent calcium acetate tablet or capsule. **Renvela Oral Suspension Packet:** The patient has a requirement for a liquid dosage form. **Renvela tablet, Sevelamer 800 mg Tablet:** The patient must have a documented side effect, allergy, or inadequate response to Renagel (sevelamer hydrochloride). **Velphoro Chew Tablet/Auryxia Tablet:** The patient must have a documented side effect, allergy, or inadequate response to one preferred phosphate binder.
RESTLESS LEG SYNDROME MEDICATIONS		
DOPAMINE AGONISTS (ORAL) PRAMIPEXOLE † (compare to Mirapex®) ROPINIROLE† (compare to Requip®) **DOPAMINE AGONISTS (TRANSDERMAL)**	Mirapex®* (pramipexole) Requip®* (ropinirole)	**Mirapex, Requip:** The patient has had a documented intolerance to the generic product. **Horizant:** The patient has a diagnosis of restless legs syndrome (RLS). AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, contraindication or treatment failure to two preferred dopamine agonists (pramipexole IR, ropinirole IR,

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Neupro® (rotigotine) transdermal patch *(Quantity Limit = 1 patch/day)* *(1mg, 2 mg and 3 mg patches ONLY)* **GAMMA-AMINOBUTYRIC ACID ANALOG** Gabapentin IR	Horizant® (gabapentin enacarbil) ER Tablet *(Quantity Limit = 1 tablet/day)*	Neupro) AND gabapentin IR. **Limitations:** Requests for Mirapex ER and Requip XL will not be approved for Restless Leg Syndrome (RLS).
RHEUMATOID, JUVENILE & PSORATIC ARTHRITIS: IMMUNOMODULATORS		
Self-injectables/Oral (Enbrel®, Humira®, Cimzia®, Kineret®, Orencia® Subcutaneous, Simponi®, Stelara® & Xeljanz®) must be obtained through Specialy Pharmacy Provider, Briova		
Preferred after Clinical Criteria are Met **Injectable** ENBREL® (etanercept) *(Quantity limit = 4 syringes/28 days(50 mg) and 8 syringes/28 days (25 mg))* HUMIRA® (adalimumab) *(Quantity limit = 4 syringes/28 days)*	**Non-Preferred after Clinical Criteria are Met** Actemra® (tocilizumab) Intravenous Infusion *(Qty limit = 4 vials/28 days (80 mg vial), 3 vials/28 days (200 mg vial) or 2 vials/28 days (400 mg vial))* Actemra® (tocilizumab) Subcutaneous *(Qty limit = 4 prefilled syringes (3.6ml)/28 days)* Cimzia® (certolizumab pegol) *(Quantity limit = 1 kit/28 days (starter X 1, then regular))* Kineret® (anakinra) *(Quantity limit = 1 syringe/day)*	**Humira:** Patient has a diagnosis of rheumatoid arthritis (RA), juvenile idiopathic arthritis or psoriatic arthritis and has already been stabilized on Humira OR Diagnosis is RA, juvenile idiopathic arthritis or psoriatic arthritis, and methotrexate therapy resulted in an adverse effect, allergic reaction, inadequate response, or treatment failure. If methotrexate is contraindicated, another DMARD should be tried prior to approving Humira. Note: Approval should be granted in cases where patients have been treated with infliximab, but have lost response to therapy. **Enbrel:** Patient has a diagnosis of RA, juvenile RA (JRA), or psoriatic arthritis and has already been stabilized on Enbrel. OR Diagnosis is RA, JRA, or psoriatic

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Oral	Orencia® (abatacept) Subcutaneous Injection *(Quantity limit = 4 syringes/28 days)* Orencia® (abatacept) Intravenous Infusion Remicade® (infliximab) Simponi® (golimumab) Subcutaneous *Qty Limit = 1 of 50 mg prefilled syringe or autoinjector/28 days)* Simponi Aria® (golimumab) 50 mg/4 ml Vial for Intravenous Infusion Stelara® (ustekinumab) *(Quantity limit = 45 mg (0.5 ml) or 90 mg (1 ml) per dose)* *(90 mg dose only permitted for pt weight > 100 kg)* Xeljanz® (tofacitinib) tablet *(Qty limit = 2 tablets/day)* *Maximum 30 days supply*	arthritis, and methotrexate therapy resulted in an adverse effect, allergic reaction, inadequate response, or treatment failure. If methotrexate is contraindicated, another DMARD should be tried prior to approving Enbrel. **Actemra Intravenous Infusion:** Patient has a diagnosis of RA or juvenile RA (JRA) and has already been stabilized on Actemra OR Patient age > 18 years (RA) or > 2 years (JRA). AND Diagnosis is RA or juvenile RA (JRA) and patient has documentation of an inadequate response, adverse reaction or allergic response to methotrexate, or if methotrexate is contraindicated, at least 1 other DMARD (other DMARDs include leflunomide, sulfasalazine, gold, antimalarials, minocycline, D-penicillamine, azathioprine, cyclophosphamide and cyclosporine) AND The prescriber must provide a clinically valid reason why either Humira or Enbrel cannot be used. For RA, patient must have had an inadequate response to one or more TNF inhibitors. **Actemra Subcutaneous:** Patient has a diagnosis of RA and has already been stabilized on Actemra (Subcutaneous or Intravenous) OR Patient age > 18 years (RA) AND Diagnosis is RA and patient has documentation of an inadequate response, adverse reaction or allergic response to methotrexate, or if methotrexate is contraindicated, at least 1 other DMARD (other DMARDs include leflunomide, sulfasalazine, gold, antimalarials, minocycline, D-penicillamine, azathioprine, cyclophosphamide and cyclosporine) AND The prescriber must provide a clinically valid reason why either Humira or Enbrel cannot be used. The patient must have had an inadequate response to one or more TNF inhibitors. **Cimzia:** Patient has a diagnosis of RA or psoriatic arthritis and has already been stabilized on Cimzia OR Patient age > 18 years AND Diagnosis is RA or

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		psoriatic arthritis and patient has documentation of an inadequate response, adverse reaction or allergic response to methotrexate, or if methotrexate is contraindicated, at least 1 DMARD (other DMARDs include leflunomide, sulfasalazine, gold, antimalarials, minocycline, D-penicillamine, azathioprine, cyclophosphamide and cyclosporine) AND The prescriber must provide a clinically valid reason why either Humira or Enbrel cannot be used. **Remicade:** Patient has a diagnosis of RA or psoriatic arthritis and has already been stabilized on Remicade OR Diagnosis is RA or psoriatic arthritis, and methotrexate therapy resulted in an adverse effect, allergic raction, inadequate response, or treatment failure. If methotrexate is contraindicated, another DMARD should be tried prior to approving Remicade. AND The prescriber must provide a clinically valid reason why either Humira or Enbrel cannot be used. **Simponi:** Patient has a diagnosis of RA or psoriatic arthritis and has already been stabilized on Simponi OR Patient age > 18 years AND Diagnosis is RA or psoriatic arthritis, and patient has documentation of an inadequate response, adverse Reaction or allergic response to methotrexate, or if methotrexate is contraindicated, at least 1 DMARD (other DMARDs include leflunomide, sulfasalazine, gold, antimalarials, minocycline, D-penicillamine, azathioprine, cyclophosphamide and cyclosporine) AND The prescriber must provide a clinically valid reason why either Humira or Enbrel cannot be used. **Simponi Aria:** Patient has a diagnosis of RA and has already been stabilized on Simponi Aria OR Patient age > 18 years AND Diagnosis is RA and patient has documentation of an inadequate response, adverse reaction or allergic response to methotrexate, or if methotrexate is contraindicated, at least 1 DMARD (other DMARDs include leflunomide, sulfasalazine, gold, antimalarials, minocycline, D-penicillamine, azathioprine, cyclophosphamide and cyclosporine) AND The

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		patient has not responded adequately to Simponi subcutaneous. AND The prescriber must provide a clinically valid reason why either Humira or Enbrel cannot be used. **Kineret:** Patient has a diagnosis of RA and has already been stabilized on Kineret OR Diagnosis is RA or psoriatic arthritis, and methotrexate therapy resulted in an adverse effect, reaction, inadequate response, or treatment failure. If methotrexate is contraindicated, another DMARD should be tried prior to approving Kineret. Note: Kineret may be used as monotherapy or concomitantly with DMARDs, other than TNF antagonists. Kineret should not be administered concomitantly with any TNF antagonists (i.e. Enbrel, Humira, or Remicade). AND The prescriber must provide a clinically valid reason why either Humira or Enbrel cannot be used. **Xeljanz:** Patient has a diagnosis of RA and has already been stabilized on Xeljanz OR Patient age > 18 years AND Diagnosis is RA and patient has documentation of an inadequate response, adverse reaction or allergic response to methotrexate, or if methotrexate is contraindicated, at least 1 non-biologic DMARD (other DMARDs include leflunomide, sulfasalazine, hydroxychloroquine, azathioprine, and cyclosporine) AND The prescriber must provide a clinically valid reason why either Humira or Enbrel cannot be used. **Orencia Intravenous Infusion:** Patient has a diagnosis of RA or juvenile RA (JRA) and has already been stabilized on Orencia OR Diagnosis is RA or juvenile RA (JRA) and methotrexate therapy resulted in an adverse effect, allergic reaction, inadequate response, or treatment failure. If methotrexate is contraindicated, another DMARD should be tried prior to approving Orencia. Note: Orencia may be used as monotherapy or concomitantly with DMARDs, other than TNF

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		antagonists. Orencia® should not be administered concomitantly with TNFantagonists (i.e. Enbrel, Humira, or Remicade) and is not recommended for use with Kineret. AND The prescriber must provide a clinically valid reason why either Humira or Enbrel cannot be used. AND If the diagnosis is RA, there is a clinically valid reason why Orencia Subcutaneous cannot be used. **Orencia Subcutaneous:** Patient has a diagnosis of RA and has already been stabilized on Orencia OR Diagnosis is RA and methotrexate therapy resulted in an adverse effect, allergic reaction, inadequate Response, or treatment failure. If methotrexate is contraindicated, another DMARD should be tried prior to approving Orencia. Note: Orencia may be used as monotherapy or concomitantly with DMARDs, other than TNF antagonists. Orencia should not be administered concomitantly with TNFantagonists (i.e. Enbrel, Humira, or Remicade) and is not recommended for use with Kineret. AND The prescriber must provide a clinically valid reason why either Humira or Enbrel cannot be used. **Stelara:** Patient has a diagnosis of psoriatic arthritis and has already been stabilized on Stelara OR Diagnosis is psoriatic arthritis, and patient has documentation of an inadequate response, adverse reaction or allergic response to methotrexate, or if methotrexate is contraindicated, at least 1 DMARD (other DMARDs include leflunomide, sulfasalazine, gold, antimalarials, minocycline, D-penicillamine, azathioprine, cyclophosphamide and cyclosporine) AND The prescriber must provide a clinically valid reason why either Humira or Enbrel cannot be used. **Patients with systemic juvenile arthritis (SJRA/SJIA)** and fever are not required to have a trial of a DMARD, including methotrexate.Patients with systemic juvenile arthritis without fever should have a trial of methotrexate, but a trial of another DMARD in case of a contraindication to methotrexate, is not required before Enbre, Humira, Actemra, or Orencia is approved. * Patients with psoriatic

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		arthritis with a documented diagnosis of active axial involvement should have a trial of NSAID therapy, but a trial with DMARD is not required before a TNF-blocker is approved. If no active axial skeletal involvement, then an NSAID trial and a DMARD trial are required (unless otherwise contraindicated) prior to receiving Humira, Enbrel, Remicade, Cimzia, Stelara or Simponi
SILIVA STIMULANTS		
PILOCARPINE (compare to Salagen®) CEVIMELINE† (compare to Evoxac®) EVOXAC® (cevimeline)	Salagen®* (pilocarpine)	Salagen: The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to generic pilocarpine
SEDATIVE/HYPNOTICS		
BENZODIAZEPINE		
ESTAZOLAM† (compare to Prosom®) TEMAZEPAM† 15 mg, 30 mg (compare to Restoril®)	Doral® (quazepam) flurazepam† (formerly Dalmane®) Halcion® (triazolam) Prosom®* (estazolam) Restoril®* (temazepam) temazepam† 7.5 mg, 22.5 mg (compare to Restoril®)	**Criteria for Approval:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with two preferred benzodiazepine sedative/hypnotics. If a product has an AB rated generic, one trial must be the generic.

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	triazolam† (compare to Halcion®)	
NON BENZODIAZEPINE, NON BARBITURATE		
ZOLPIDEM † (compare to Ambien®)*(Quantity Limit = 1 tab/day)* ZALEPLON † (compare to Sonata®) *(Quantity Limit = 1 cap/day (5 mg) or 2 caps/day (10 mg))*	Ambien®* (zolpidem) *(Quantity Limit = 1 tab/day)* Ambien CR® (zolpidem) *(Quantity Limit = 1 tab/day)* Belsomra® (suvorexant) *(Quantity Limit = 1 tab/day)* Edluar® (zolpidem) sublingual tablet *(Quantity Limit = 1 tab/day)* eszopiclone† (compare to Lunesta®) *(Quantity Limit = 1 tab/day)* Intermezzo® (zolpidem) Sublingual Tablet *(Quantity Limit = 1 tab/day)* Lunesta® (eszopiclone) *(Quantity Limit = 1 tab/day)* Rozerem® (ramelteon) *(Quantity Limit = 1 tab/day)* Silenor® (doxepin) *(Quantity limit = 1 tab/day)* Sonata®* (zaleplon) *(Quantity Limit = 1 cap/day (5 mg) or 2 caps/day (10 mg))* Zolpidem CR† (compare to Ambien CR®) *(Quantity Limit = 1 tab/day)*	**Ambien:** The patient has had a documented intolerance to generic zolpidem. **Ambien CR, Belsomra, Lunesta, eszopiclone, Zolpidem CR:** The patient has hada documented side effect, allergy or treatment failure to generic zolpidem. If the request is for brand Ambien CR, there has also been a documented intolerance to the generic. If the request is for generic eszopiclone, there has also been a documented intolerance to the brand Lunesta. Belsomra will be available to the few patients who are unable to tolerate or who have failed on preferred medications. **Edluar:** The patient has a medical necessity for a disintegrating tablet formulation (i.e. swallowing disorder). **Intermezzo:** The patient has insomnia characterized by middle-of-the night awakening followed by difficulty returning to sleep AND The patient has had a documented inadequate response to zolpidem IR AND zaleplon. **Rozerem:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, contraindication or treatment failure to generic zolpidem. OR There is a question of substance abuse with the patient or family of the patient. Note: If approved, initial fill of Rozerem will be limited to a 14 day supply. **Silenor:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, contraindication or treatment failure to generic zolpidem AND The patient has had a documented intolerance with generic doxepin or there is another clinically valid reason why a generic doxepin (capsule or oral solution) cannot be used. **Sonata:** The patient has had a documented intolerance to generic zaleplon

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SMOKING CESSATION THERAPIES		
NICOTINE REPLACEMENT (maximum duration is 16 weeks (2 x 8 weeks)/365 days for non-preferred. For approval of therapy beyond the established maximum duration, the prescriber must provide evidence that the patient is engaged in a smoking cessation counseling program.		
NICOTINE GUM† NICOTINE PATCH OTC† NICORETTE LOZENGE® **ORAL THERAPY** BUPROPION SR† (compare to Zyban®) CHANTIX® (varenicline) (Limited to 18 years and older, Quantity Limit = 2 tabs/day, max duration 24 weeks (2x12 weeks)/365 days)	Nicoderm CQ Patch® Nicorette Gum® nicotine lozenge† Nicotrol Inhaler® Nicotrol Nasal Spray® Zyban®* (bupropion SR) (maximum duration 24 weeks (2 x 12 weeks)/365 days)	**Nicoderm CQ patch:** The patient has had a documented intolerance to generic nicotine patch. **Nicorette gum:** The patient has had a documented intolerance to generic nicotine gum. **nicotine lozenge:** The patient has had a documented side effect or allergy to Nicorette lozenge **Nicotrol Inhaler:** The patient has had a documented treatment failure with BOTH generic nicotine patch and generic nicotine gum. **Nicotrol Nasal Spray:** The prescriber must provide a clinically valid reason for the use of the requested medication.**Zyban:** The patient has had a documented intolerance to generic bupropion SR. *Smoking Cessation Counseling is encouraged with the use of smoking cessation therapies* *The combined prescribing of long acting (patch) and faster acting (gum or lozenge) nicotine replacement therapy is encouraged for greater likelihood of quit success. **Vermont QUIT LINE** (available free to all patients) 1-800-QUIT-NOW (1-800-784-8669) **GETQUIT™** Support Plan available free to all Chantix® patients 1-877-CHANTIX (242-6849) **Limitations:** Nicotine System Kit® not covered – prescribe multiple strengths separately

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TESTOSTERONE: TOPICAL		
Nasal		
	Natesto® (testosterone) nasal (QL = 1 pump/30 days)	**Natesto:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to AndroGel® Gel.
Topical		
ANDROGEL® GEL (testosterone 1% gel packets) *Quantity limit = 1.25 gm packet (1 packet/day)* *2.5 gm packet (1 %) (1 packet/day)* *5 gm packet (2 packets/day)*	Androderm® Transdermal 2.5 mg, 5 mg (testosterone patch) ANDROGEL® GEL (testosterone 1.62% gel packets) *Quantity limit = 1.25 gm packet (1.62%) (1 packet/day)* *2.5 gm packet (1.62%) (2 packets/day)* ANDROGEL® PUMP (testosterone pump bottles) *Quantity limit = 1 % (4 bottles/30 days)* *1.62% (2 bottles/30 days)* *Quantity limit = 1 patch/day/strength* Axiron (testosterone 2% solution) 90 ml Pump Bottle *Quantiy limit = 2 bottles/30 days* Fortesta® (testosterone 2 % Gel) 60 gm Pump Bottle *Quantity limit = 2 bottles/30 days* Testim® Gel 5 gm (testosterone 1% gel tube) *Quantity limit = 2 tubes/day* Testosterone 1% gel tube (compare to Testim® Gel 5	**Andoderm, Axiron, Fortesta, Testim Testosterone Gel 1%, Testosterone Gel 2 %:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to AndroGel® Gel **Limitations:** Coverage of testosterone products is limited to males.

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	gm, Vogelxo®, Androgel®) *Quantity limit = 2 tubes/day* Testosterone† 1% Gel Pump (compare to Androgel®, Vogelxo®) *Quantity limit = 4 bottles/30 days* Testosterone 2% gel 60 gm pump bottle (compare to Fortesta®) *Quantity limit = 2 bottles/30 days* Vogelxo® 1% (testosterone 1%) gel, pump *Quantity limit = 2 tubes/day (5 gm gel tubes)* *Quantity limit = 4 bottles/30 days (gel pump bottle)* *Maximum day supply all products is 30 days*	
THROMBOPOIETIN RECEPTOR AGONISTS		
	Nplate® (romiplostim) Promacta® (eltrombopag)	**FOR APPROVAL:** The patient is at least 18 years of age. AND The diagnosis or indication is chronic immune (idiopathic) thrombocytopenic purpura (ITP). AND The patient's platelet count is less than 30,000/µL (< 30 x 109/L) or the patient is actively bleeding. AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure or a contraindication to therapy with corticosteroids. OR The patient has a documented insufficient response following splenectomy.

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URINARY ANTISPASMODICS		
SHORT-ACTING AGENTS OXYBUTYNIN† (formerly Ditropan®)	Flavoxate † (formerly Urispas®)	**CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL:** (for patients >21 and <65 years of age): Please note: Patients <21 years of age are exempt from all ORAL ANTIMUSCARINIC Urinary Antispasmodics PA requirements (Exception: An adequate trial of oxybutynin/oxybutynin XL will be required before approval of Ditropan/Ditropan XL and an adequate trial of tolterodine SR will be required before approval of Detrol LA will be granted for all patients) and patients ≥ 65 years of age are exempt from the short acting oxybutynin trial requirement.
LONG-ACTING AGENTS (after clinical criteria are met) **ANTIMUSCARINIC** **Twice Daily Oral *(Qty Limit = 2 per day)***	Detrol® (tolterodine) tolterodine† (compare to Detrol®) trospium† (formerly Sanctura®)	**flavoxate, Enablex, Vesicar:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with generic oxybutynin
	Detrol LA® (tolterodine SR)	
Once Daily Oral *(Qty Limit = 1 per day)* ENABLEX® (darifenacin) VESICARE® (solifenacin)	Ditropan XL® (oxybutynin XL) oxybutynin XL† (compare to Ditropan® XL) tolterodine SR† (compare to Detrol LA®)	**Detrol, Detrol LA, Ditropan XL, Oxybutynin XL, tolterodine (generic), tolterodine SR (generic), trospium (generic), trospium ER (generic), Toviaz:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with generic oxybutynin. AND The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with 2 preferred long-acting agents. If a medication has an AB rated generic, there must have also been a trial
Transdermal/Topical	Toviaz® (fesoterodine trospium ER† (formerly Sanctura XR®)	of the generic formulation.
BETA-3 ADRENERGIC AGONISTS *>NOTE:*	Gelnique 3%® (oxybutynin topical gel) *(Qty limit = 1 pump bottle (92gm)per 30 days)*	**Gelnique 3%, 10%, Oxytrol:** The patient is unable to swallow a solid oral formulations (e.g. patients with dysphagia) OR The patient is unable to be

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▪ *Patients under the age of 65 must fail an adequate trial of* *generic oxybutinin before approval will be granted for either* *Vesicare® or Enablex®.* ▪ *A therapeutic failure on two long acting preferred products is* *required before a PA will be approved on any non-preferred* *long acting medication.* *Recipients < 21 years of age are exempt from all ORAL* *ANTIMUSCARINIC PA Requirements.(Exception: An adequate trial of* *oxybutinin/oxybutinin XL will be required before approval of* *Ditropan® XL and tolterodine SR before approval of Detrol* *LA® will be granted)*	Gelnique 10%® (oxybutynin topical gel) *(Qty limit = 1 sachet/day)* Oxytrol® (oxybutinin transdermal) *(Qty Limit = 8 patches/28 days)* Myrbetriq® (mirabegron) ER Tablet *(Qty limit = 1 tablet/day)*	compliant with solid oral dosage forms. **Myrbetriq:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure, or contraindication with one preferred long-acting urinary antimuscarinic agent. **Limitations:** Oxytrol (for Women) OTC not covered. Oxytrol RX is available but subject to prior authorization.
VAGINAL ANTI-INFECTIVES		
CLINDAMYCIN CLINDAMYCIN VAGINAL† (clindamycin vaginal cream 2%) **METRONIDAZOLE**	Cleocin®* (clindamycin vaginal cream 2%) Cleocin® Vaginal Ovules (clindamycin vaginal	**Cleocin, Clindesse:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to generic clindamycin vaginal (clindamycin vaginal) **Metrogel Vaginal, Nuvessa Vaginal:** The patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure to generic metronidazole vaginal gel 0.75 %

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(includes clinical criteria)

PREFERRED AGENTS (No PA required unless otherwise noted)	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS (PA required)	PA CRITERIA
METRONIDAZOLE VAGINAL GEL 0.75%† VANDAZOLE† (metronidazole vaginal 0.75%)	suppositories) Clindesse® (clindamycin vaginal cream 2%) Metrogel Vaginal®* (metronidazole vaginal gel 0.75%) Nuvessa Vaginal® (metronidazole vaginal gel 1.3%) (1 pre-filled applicator/30 days)	or Vandazole.
VITAMINS: PRENATAL MULTIVITAMINS		
PRENAPLUS PRENATAL PLUS IRON PRENATAL VITAMINS PLUS PRENATATE AM TAB 1MG PRENATE CAP ENHANCE PRENATE CAP ESSENTIAL PRENATE CAP RESTORE PRENATE CHEW .6-.4 PRENATE DHA CAP PRENATE MINI CAP	All others including DHA containing products	**DHA Containing Prenatal Vitamins:** The patient is unable to obtain a sufficient amount of DHA from diet alone **All Other Non-Preferred:** The prescriber must provide a clinically valid reason for the use of the requested medication including reasons why any of the preferred products would not be a suitable alternative.

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