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PREFERRED DRUG LIST AND PRIOR AUTHORIZATION CRITERIA

The West Virginia Bureau for Medical Services Office of Pharmacy Services

Preferred Drug List and Prior Authorization Criteria

This is not an all-inclusive list of available covered drugs and includes only managed categories.

Refer to cover page for complete list of rules governing this Preferred Drug List (PDL).

- Unless otherwise specified, the listing of a particular brand or generic name includes all legend forms of that drug. A
 current listing of all covered over-the-counter (OTC) products may be found at the BMS Website by clicking the
 hyperlink.
- Prior authorization (PA) of any non-preferred agent requires that class criteria, and in some cases drug-specific
 criteria, be followed unless documentation is provided indicating that the use of these agents would be medically
 contraindicated. "Exceptions" to the PA criteria should be detailed on the PA form for consideration; these include
 relative contraindications, such as potential drug-drug interactions, adverse effects, intolerance, and drug-disease
 interactions.
- Required trials of preferred agents are defined as "failed" or otherwise satisfied only when efficacy has not been
 observed despite patient adherence to a dose and duration which should have produced therapeutic effects.
- Unless otherwise specified, all requests to "grandfather" existing drug therapy will require clinical reasoning from the
 prescriber detailing why the patient cannot be transitioned to a preferred agent from the Medicaid PDL. Please note
 that this requirement includes therapy that may have been previously preferred on the Medicaid PDL but has since
 changed to non-preferred status.
- The use of pharmaceutical samples will not be considered when evaluating the members' medical condition or prior prescription history for drugs that require prior authorization.
- Other drug utilization review restrictions may apply, including, but not limited to, therapeutic duplication, drug-drug interaction, ingredient duplication, etc.
- Quantity limits may apply. Refer to the Drug Limits List on the Bureau for Medical Services (BMS) website by clicking the hyperlink.
- Unless otherwise indicated, non-preferred combination products require medical reasoning beyond convenience or enhanced compliance as to why the clinical need cannot be met with a preferred agent or combination of preferred singleingredient agents containing the same, or similar, active ingredient.
- Acronyms
 - Clinical (CL) Requires clinical PA. For detailed clinical criteria, please go to the <u>PA Criteria</u> page by clicking the hyperlink.
 - Non-Reviewed (NR) Denotes a new drug which has not yet been reviewed by the Pharmaceutical and Therapeutics (P&T) Committee. These agents are available only on appeal to the BMS medical director.
 - Automatic PA (AP) Non-preferred and selected preferred drugs, where indicated, are subject to auto-PA criteria. See PA Criteria column.

CLASSES CHANGING	Status Changes	PA Criteria Changes	New Drugs
ANTIDEPRESSANTS, OTHER			X
ALZHEIMERS AGENTS			X
ANTIHEMOPHILIA AGENTS			X
ANTIMIGRAINE, ACUTE			X
ANTIRETROVIRALS			X
BPH TREATMENTS			X
CYTOKINE AND CAM ANTAGONISTS			Χ
DIABETES AGENTS, INSULIN AND RELATED AGENTS			X
IMMUNOMODULATORS, ATOPIC DERMATITIS	X		
MACE, GLP-1 AGONISTS	X	X	X
MASH, GLP-1 AGONISTS	Х	X	Χ

	THERAPEUTIC DRUG CLASS		
PREFERRED AGENTS NON-PREFERRED AGENTS PA CRITERIA	PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA

ACNE AGENTS, TOPICALAP

CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents require a 30-day trial of one preferred retinoid and two unique chemical entities in two other subclasses, including the generic version of the requested non-preferred product, before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.

In cases of pregnancy, a trial of retinoids will *not* be required. For members 18 years of age or older, a trial of retinoids will *not* be required. Acne kits are non-preferred.

Specific Criteria for subclass will be listed below. NOTE: Non-preferred agents in the Rosacea subclass are available <u>only on appeal</u> and require at least a 30-day trial of all preferred agents in that subclass.

ANDROGEN RECEPTOR INHIBITORS			
	WINLEVI CREAM (clascoterone)		
ANTI-INFECTIVE			
CLINDAGEL (clindamycin) clindamycin lotion, medicated swab, solution erythromycin gel, solution	AMZEEQ FOAM (minocycline) CLEOCIN-T (clindamycin) CLINDACIN ETZ KIT, MEDICATED SWAB (clindamycin) CLINDACIN P (clindamycin) CLINDACIN PAC (clindamycin) clindamycin foam, gel dapsone ERYGEL (erythromycin) erythromycin medicated swab EVOCLIN (clindamycin) FABIOR (tazarotene) KLARON (sulfacetamide) OVACE/PLUS (sulfacetamide) sodium sulfacetamide 10% cleansing gel sulfacetamide		
	RETINOIDS		
adapalene gel RETIN-A (tretinoin) RETIN-A MICRO (tretinoin)	adapalene cream, lotion ALTRENO LOTION (tretinoin) ARAZLO (tazarotene) ATRALIN (tretinoin) AVITA (tretinoin) tazarotene cream, foam, gel tretinoin cream, gel tretinoin gel micro	In addition to the Class Criteria: PA required for members 18 years of age or older.	
	KERATOLYTICS		
benzoyl peroxide cleanser (Rx, OTC), 10% cream (OTC), gel (Rx, OTC), lotion (OTC), wash (OTC)	BENZEFOAM (benzoyl peroxide) BP 10-1 (benzoyl peroxide) BPO (benzoyl peroxide)		

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PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA	
	COMBINATION AGENTS		
BENZAMYCIN PAK (benzoyl peroxide/ erythromycin) benzoyl peroxide/clindamycin gel (generic DUAC only) clindamycin phosphate/benzoyl peroxide (generic ACANYA) ONEXTON (clindamycin phosphate/benzoyl peroxide) sulfacetamide sodium/sulfur suspension ZIANA (clindamycin/tretinoin)*	ACANYA (clindamycin phosphate/benzoyl peroxide) adapalene-benzoyl peroxide* AVAR/-E/LS (sulfur/sulfacetamide) benzoyl peroxide/clindamycin gel (all generics other than DUAC) benzoyl peroxide/erythromycin benzoyl peroxide/urea CABTREO (clindamycin/adapalene/benzoyl peroxide) clindamycin-tretinoin gel* NEUAC (clindamycin phosphate/benzoyl peroxide) SSS 10-4 (sulfacetamide/sulfur) SSS 10-5 foam (sulfacetamide/sulfur) sulfacetamide sodium/sulfur cloths, lotion, pads sulfacetamide/sulfur wash kit sulfacetamide sodium/sulfur/urea SUMADAN/XLT (sulfacetamide/sulfur) SUMAXIN/TS (sulfacetamide sodium/sulfur) ZMA CLEAR (sulfacetamide sodium/sulfur)	In addition to the Class Criteria: Non-preferred combination agents require 30-day trials of the corresponding preferred single agents before they will be approved. *PA required for combination agents with Retinoid products for members 18 years of age or older.	
	ROSACEA AGENTS		
azelaic acid gel metronidazole cream metronidazole gel 0.75% (NDCs, 00713-0637- 37, 51672-4116-06 only)	FINACEA FOAM (azelaic acid) ivermectin metronidazole gel (all other NDCs) metronidazole lotion METROGEL (metronidazole) NORITATE CREAM (metronidazole) RHOFADE (oxymetazoline) ROSADAN (metronidazole)	Subclass criteria: Non-preferred agents are available only on appeal and require evidence of 30-day trials of all chemically unique preferred agents in the subclass.	
ALZHEIMER'S AGENTSAP			
CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents require a 30-day trial of a preferred agent in the same subclass before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present. Prior authorization is required for members up to 45 years of age if there is no diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease.			
CHOLINESTERASE INHIBITORS			
donepezil 5 mg and 10 mg donepezil ODT EXELON PATCHES (rivastigmine) galantamine tablets galantamine ER capsules RAZADYNE ER (galantamine)	ADLARITY PATCHES (donepezil) ARICEPT (donepezil) donepezil 23 mg* galantamine solution rivastigmine patches ZUNVEYL (benzgalantamine gluconate)	*Donepezil 23 mg tablets will be authorized if the following criteria are met: 1. There is a diagnosis of moderate-to-severe Alzheimer's Disease; AND	

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rivastigmine capsules		 There has been a trial of donepezil 10 mg daily for at least three months and donepezil 20 mg daily for an additional one month.
	NMDA RECEPTOR ANTAGONIST	
memantine memantine ER	memantine solution NAMENDA (memantine) solution, titration pak NAMENDA XR (memantine)	
CHOLINE	ESTERASE INHIBITOR/NMDA RECEPTOR ANTAGONIS	COMBINATIONS
	NAMZARIC (donepezil/memantine)	Combination agents require 30-day trials of each corresponding preferred single agent.
agents require prior authorization for childre and specify previous opioid and non-opioid thera BUTRANS (buprenorphine) fentanyl transdermal 12 mcg/hr, 25 mcg/hr, 50 mcg/hr, 75 mcg/hr, and 100 mcg/hr ^{CL/PA} morphine ER tablets tramadol ER tablets (generic ULTRAM ER)	n under 18 years of age. Requests must be for a Food an apies attempted. ARYMO ER (morphine sulfate) BELBUCA (buprenorphine buccal film)* buprenorphine buccal film buprenorphine patches (all labelers including 00093) CONZIP ER (tramadol) fentanyl transdermal 37.6 mcg/hr, 62.5 mcg/hr and 87.5 mcg/hr hydrocodone ER capsules and tablets hydromorphone ER HYSINGLA ER (hydrocodone) KADIAN (morphine) methadone** MORPHABOND ER (morphine sulfate) morphine ER capsules (generic AVINZA) morphine ER capsules (generic KADIAN) MS CONTIN (morphine) oxycodone ER OXYCONTIN (oxycodone) oxymorphone ER tramadol ER (generic CONZIP ER)*** ULTRAM ER (tramadol)	*Belbuca prior authorization requires manual review. Full PA criteria may be found on the PA Criteria page by clicking the hyperlink. **Methadone will be authorized without a trial of the preferred agents if a diagnosis of cancer is submitted. ***Tramadol ER (generic ConZip) requires a manual review and may be authorized for 90 days with submission of a detailed treatment plan including anticipated duration of treatment and scheduled follow-ups with the prescriber.

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PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
ANALGESICS, NARCOTIC SHORT-ACTING (Non-parenteral) ^{AP}		

CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents require six-day trials of at least four chemically-distinct preferred agents (based on the narcotic ingredient only), including the generic formulation of the requested non-preferred agent, before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present. **NOTE: All tramadol and codeine products require a prior authorization for children under 18 years of age.** Requests must be for an FDA approved age and indication and specify non-opioid therapies attempted.

APAP/codeine

butalbital/APAP/caffeine/codeine 50-325-30 mg codeine

hydrocodone/APAP 2.5/325 mg, 5/325 mg,

7.5/325 mg, and 10/325 mg hydrocodone/APAP solution

hydromorphone tablets meperidine oral solution

morphine

NUCYNTA (tapentadol)

oxycodone capsules, solution, tablets

oxycodone/APAP oxycodone/ASA tramadol tablets tramadol/APAP ABSTRAL (fentanyl) ACTIQ (fentanyl)

butalbital/APAP/caffeine/codeine 50-300-30 mg

butalbital/ASA/caffeine/codeine

butorphanol

DEMEROL (meperidine) dihydrocodeine/APAP/caffeine DILAUDID (hydromorphone)

fentanyl

FENTORA (fentanyl)

FIORICET W/ CODEINE (butalbital/APAP/caffeine/

codeine)

FIORINAL W/ CODEINE (butalbital/ASA/caffeine/

codeine)

hydrocodone/APAP 5/300 mg, 7.5/300 mg and

10/300 mg

hydrocodone/ibuprofen

hydromorphone liquid, suppositories

levorphanol

LORCET (hydrocodone/APAP) LORTAB (hydrocodone/APAP)

LORTAB SOLUTION (hydrocodone/acetaminophen)

meperidine tablets

morphine rectal suppository NORCO (hydrocodone/APAP) oxycodone concentrate oxycodone/ibuprofen oxymorphone

pentazocine/naloxone

PERCOCET (oxycodone/APAP)
QDOLO SOLUTION (tramadol)
ROXICODONE (oxycodone)
ROXYBOND (oxycodone)

SEGLENTIS (celecoxib/tramadol)*

tramadol solution

ULTRACET (tramadol/APAP)

VICOPROFEN (hydrocodone/ibuprofen)

Fentanyl buccal, nasal, and sublingual products will only be authorized for a diagnosis of cancer and as an adjunct to a long-acting agent. These dosage forms will not be authorized for monotherapy.

Limits: Unless the patient has escalating cancer pain or another diagnosis supporting increased quantities of short-acting opioids, all short-acting solid forms of the narcotic analgesics are limited to 120 tablets per 30days. Longer-acting medications should be maximized to prevent unnecessary breakthrough pain in chronic pain therapy.

Immediate release tramadol is limited to 240 tablets per 30 days.

*Seglentis requires medical reasoning beyond convenience or enhanced compliance as to why the clinical need cannot be met with a preferred agent or combination of preferred single ingredient agents.

THERAPEUTIC DRUG CLASS PREFERRED AGENTS **PA CRITERIA** NON-PREFERRED AGENTS **ANALGESICS, NON-NARCOTIC SHORT ACTING** CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents require a 30-day trial of a preferred agent before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present. **SODIUM CHANNEL BLOCKER (Nav 1.8)** JOURNAVX (suzetrigine) ANDROGENIC AGENTS CLASS PA CRITERIA: A non-preferred agent will only be authorized if one of the exceptions on the PA form is present. ANDROGEL PUMP (testosterone)CL/PA* ANDROGEL PACKETS (testosterone) *Full PA criteria may be found on the PA Criteria page TESTIM (testosterone) ANDROID (methyltestosterone) by clicking the hyperlink. testosterone cypionate vialCL/PA* AVEED (testosterone undecanoate) testosterone enanthate vialCL/PA* AZMIRO INJECTION (testosterone cypionate) testosterone gel 1.62% FORTESTA (testosterone) JATENZO (testosterone undecanoate) METHITEST (methyltestosterone) methyltestosterone capsules NATESTO (testosterone) testosterone gel testosterone solution pump TESTRED (methyltestosterone) TLANDO (testosterone undecanoate) VOGELXO (testosterone) XYOSTED (testosterone enanthate) ANESTHETICS, TOPICALAP CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents require 10-day trials of each preferred agent before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.

lidocaine lidocaine/hydrocortisone LIDOTRAL CREAM (lidocaine) lidocaine/prilocaine LIDOZION LOTION (lidocaine) xylocaine SYNERA (lidocaine/tetracaine)

ANGIOTENSIN MODULATORS

CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents require 14-day trials of each preferred agent in the same subclass, with the exception of the Direct Renin Inhibitors, before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.

ACE INHIBITORS

benazepril	ACCUPRIL (quinapril)	*Epaned solution (enalapril solution) will be authorized
captopril	ALTACE (ramipril)	with a diagnosis of hypertension, symptomatic heart
enalapril	enalapril solution	failure or asymptomatic left ventricular dysfunction
fosinopril	EPANED SOLUTION (enalapril)*	provided that the patient is less than (<) seven years of
lisinopril	LOTENSIN (benazepril)	age OR is unable to ingest a solid dosage form due to
quinapril	moexipril	documented oral-motor difficulties or dysphagia.
ramipril	perindopril	

PRINIVIL (lisinopril)

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	QBRELIS SOLUTION (lisinopril)** VASOTEC (enalapril) ZESTRIL (lisinopril)	**Qbrelis solution may be authorized for children six to 10 years of age who are unable to tolerate a solid dosage form. Qbrelis may also be authorized for older patients with clinical documentation indicating oral-motor difficulties or dysphagia.
	ACE INHIBITOR COMBINATION DRUGS	
benazepril/amlodipine benazepril/HCTZ captopril/HCTZ enalapril/HCTZ fosinopril/HCTZ lisinopril/HCTZ quinapril/HCTZ	ACCURETIC (quinapril/HCTZ) LOTENSIN HCT (benazepril/HCTZ) LOTREL (benazepril/amlodipine) TARKA (trandolapril/verapamil) trandolapril/verapamil VASERETIC (enalapril/HCTZ) ZESTORETIC (lisinopril/HCTZ)	
444	ANGIOTENSIN II RECEPTOR BLOCKERS (AR	Bs)
irbesartan losartan olmesartan telmisartan valsartan	ATACAND (candesartan) AVAPRO (irbesartan) BENICAR (olmesartan) candesartan COZAAR (losartan) DIOVAN (valsartan) EDARBI (azilsartan) MICARDIS (telmisartan)	
	ARB COMBINATIONS	
irbesartan/HCTZ losartan/HCTZ olmesartan/amlodipine olmesartan/amlodipine/HCTZ olmesartan/HCTZ valsartan/amlodipine valsartan/amlodipine/HCTZ valsartan/Amlodipine/HCTZ	ATACAND-HCT (candesartan/HCTZ) AVALIDE (irbesartan/HCTZ) AZOR (olmesartan/amlodipine) BENICAR-HCT (olmesartan/HCTZ) candesartan/HCTZ DIOVAN-HCT (valsartan/HCTZ) EDARBYCLOR (azilsartan/chlorthalidone) EXFORGE (valsartan/amlodipine) EXFORGE HCT (valsartan/amlodipine/HCTZ) HYZAAR (losartan/HCTZ) MICARDIS-HCT (telmisartan/HCTZ) telmisartan/amlodipine telmisartan/HCTZ TRIBENZOR (olmesartan/amlodipine/HCTZ)	
	DIRECT RENIN INHIBITORS	
	aliskiren TEKTURNA (aliskiren) TEKTURNA HCT (aliskiren/HCTZ)	Substitute for Class Criteria: Tekturna requires a 30-day trial of one preferred ACE, ARB, or combination agent, at the maximum tolerable dose, before it will be

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		authorized unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.	
ANTIANGINAL & ANTI-ISCHEMIC			
	y only be authorized for patients with angina who are also t	aking a calcium channel blocker, a beta blocker, or a	
nitrite as single agents or a combination agent ranolazine ^{AP}	containing one of these ingredients. ASPRUZYO SPRINKLE ER (ranolazine) RANEXA		
ANTIBIOTICS, GI & RELATED AG	ENTS		
CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents r present.	equire a 14-day trial of a preferred agent before they will be	approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is	
metronidazole tablets neomycin tinidazole VANCOCIN (vancomycin) vancomycin capsules	AEMCOLO TABLETS (rifamycin) DIFICID (fidaxomicin)* FIRVANQ SOLUTION (vancomycin)*** FLAGYL (metronidazole) LIKMEZ (metronidazole)** metronidazole capsules paromomycin vancomycin solution*** VOWST CAPSULES (fecal microbiota spores)*	*Full PA criteria may be found on the PA Criteria page by clicking the hyperlink. **Likmez may be authorized for those who are unable to ingest solid dosage forms of metronidazole due to documented oral-motor difficulties or dysphagia. ***Vancomycin solution and Firvanq solution may be authorized for children up to nine years of age who are unable to ingest solid dosage forms of vancomycin. Therapy may be authorized for older patients with clinical documentation indicating oral-motor difficulties or dysphagia.	
ANTIBIOTICS, INHALED			
CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents r unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is	equire a 28-day trial of a preferred agent and documentatio present.	n of therapeutic failure before they will be approved,	
KITABIS PAK (tobramycin) tobramycin 300 mg/5 ml (generic TOBI)	BETHKIS (tobramycin) 300 mg/4 ml CAYSTON (aztreonam) TOBI (tobramycin) TOBI PODHALER (tobramycin) tobramycin 300 mg/5 ml (generic KITABIS)		
ANTIBIOTICS, TOPICAL			
CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents ragent, before they will be approved, unless one	equire 10-day trials of at least one preferred agent, including of the exceptions on the PA form is present.	g the generic formulation of the requested non-preferred	
bacitracin (Rx, OTC) gentamicin sulfate mupirocin ointment	CENTANY (mupirocin) CORTISPORIN (bacitracin/neomycin/polymyxin/HC) mupirocin cream neomycin/polymyxin/pramoxine XEPI CREAM (ozenoxacin)		

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PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA	
ANTIBIOTICS, VAGINAL			
CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents require trials of each chemically-unique preferred agent at the manufacturer's recommended duration, before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present. CLEOCIN OVULE (clindamycin) CLEOCIN CREAM (clindamycin) metronidazole gel CLINDESSE (clindamycin) NUVESSA (metronidazole) SOLOSEC (secnidazole) VANDAZOLE (metronidazole) XACIATO GEL (clindamycin)			
ANTICOAGULANTS			
CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents require a trial of each preferred agent in the same subclass, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.			
INJECTABLE ^{CL/PA}			

INJECTABLE ^{CL/PA}			
enoxaparin	ARIXTRA (fondaparinux) fondaparinux FRAGMIN (dalteparin) LOVENOX (enoxaparin)		
ORAL			
ELIQUIS (apixaban) PRADAXA (dabigatran) warfarin XARELTO TABLETS (rivaroxaban)*	dabigatran PRADAXA ORAL PELLETS (dabigatran etexilate) SAVAYSA (edoxaban) XARELTO SUSPENSION (rivaroxaban)	*Xarelto 2.5 mg tablets may be approved for a diagnosis of chronic coronary artery disease (CAD) or peripheral artery disease (PAD) AND is being used concurrently with aspirin.	

ANTICONVULSANTS

CLASS PA CRITERIA: For a diagnosis of seizure disorder, non-preferred agents require a 14-day trial of a preferred agent in the same subclass before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present; patients currently on established therapies shall be grandfathered.

For all other diagnoses, non-preferred agents require a 30-day trial of a preferred agent in the same subclass before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.

In situations where AB-rated generic equivalent products are available, "Brand Medically Necessary" must be hand-written by the prescriber on the prescription for the brand name product to be reimbursed.

the brand name product to be reimbursed.			
ADJUVANTS			
BRIVIACT (brivaracetam)	APTIOM (eslicarbazepine)	*Topiramate ER will be authorized after a 30-day trial of	
carbamazepine	BANZEL (rufinamide)	topiramate IR.	
carbamazepine ER	carbamazepine oral suspension		
CARBATROL (carbamazepine)	DEPAKOTE (divalproex)	**Diacomit may only be approved as adjunctive therapy	
DEPAKOTE SPRINKLE CAPSULES	DEPAKOTE DR (divalproex	for a diagnosis of Dravet Syndrome when prescribed by,	
(divalproex)	DEPAKOTE ER (divalproex)	or in consultation with a neurologist AND requires a 30-	
divalproex	DIACOMIT CAPSULES/POWDER PACK (stiripentol)**	day trial of valproate and clobazam unless one of the	

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henobarbital rimidone	MYSOLINE (primidone)	
BENZODIAZEPINES ^{AP}		
lonazepam IASTAT (diazepam rectal) iazepam rectal gel iazepam tablets AYZILAM NASAL SPRAY (midazolam) ALTOCO NASAL SPRAY (diazepam)	clobazam* clonazepam ODT DIASTAT ACUDIAL (diazepam) KLONOPIN (clonazepam) LIBERVANT BUCCAL FILM (diazepam)** ONFI (clobazam)* ONFI SUSPENSION (clobazam)* SYMPAZAN (clobazam film)*	*Clobazam will be authorized as adjunctive therapy with any chronic anti-seizure medication, with the exception of other benzodiazepines. NOTE: Generic clobazam is preferred over brand Onfi. **Libervant requires review by the Medical Director and is available only on appeal.
	CANNABINOIDS	

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EPIDIOLEX SOLUTION (cannabidiol) ^{AP*}		*Epidiolex may be authorized after 14-day trials of two of the following agents within the past 12 months: clobazam, levetiracetam, valproate, lamotrigine, topiramate, rufinamide or felbamate.
	HYDANTOINSAP	
DILANTIN CAPSULES, CHEWABLE TABLETS, SUSPENSION (phenytoin sodium extended) PEGANONE (ethotoin) phenytoin capsules, chewable tablets, suspension	PHENYTEK (phenytoin)	
	SUCCINIMIDES	
CELONTIN (methsuximide) ethosuximide capsules ethosuximide syrup	ZARONTIN CAPSULES (ethosuximide) ZARONTIN SYRUP (ethosuximide) methsuximide	
ANTIDEPRESSANTS, OTHER		
CLASS PA CRITERIA: See below for individua	ıl subclass criteria.	
	MONOAMINE OXIDASE INHIBITORS (MAOIs)	AP
	MARPLAN (isocarboxazid) NARDIL (phenelzine) phenelzine tranylcypromine	Patients stabilized on MAOI agents will be grandfathered.
5	SEROTONIN-NOREPINEPHRINE REUPTAKE INHIBITOR	RS (SNRIs)AP
desvenlafaxine succinate ER (generic PRISTIQ) duloxetine capsules venlafaxine ER capsules venlafaxine ER tablets venlafaxine IR tablets	CYMBALTA (duloxetine) desvenlafaxine fumarate ER EFFEXOR XR (venlafaxine) FETZIMA (levomilnacipran) PRISTIQ (desvenlafaxine)	Non-preferred agents require separate 30-day trials of a preferred agent in this subclass AND a Selective Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitors (SSRI) before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.
	SECOND GENERATION NON-SSRI, OTHER	P
bupropion IR bupropion SR bupropion XL mirtazapine trazodone	APLENZIN (bupropion HBr) AUVELITY (dextromethorphan HBr/bupropion)* EMSAM (selegiline) FORFIVO XL (bupropion) Nefazodone	Non-preferred agents require separate 30-day trials of a preferred agent in this subclass AND an SSRI before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present. *Auvelity may be approved after the following has been
	RALDESY SOLUTION (trazodone)** REMERON (mirtazapine) TRINTELLIX (vortioxetine) VIIBRYD (vilazodone HCI) vilazodone WELLBUTRIN SR (bupropion)	met: 1. The diagnosis is Major depressive disorder; AND 2. Documentation is provided giving medical reasoning beyond convenience as to why the

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PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA	
	WELLBUTRIN XL (bupropion)	clinical need cannot be met with using a combination of the preferred individual components; AND 3. A trial of 60 days resulting in an inadequate clinical response, with two distinct classes used to treat major depressive disorder, with one of the trials being bupropion. **Raldesy may only be authorized for those who are unable to ingest solid dosage forms of trazodone due to documented oral-motor difficulties or dysphagia.	
	SELECTED TRICYCLIC ANTIDEPRESSANTS (TC	As)	
imipramine HCI	imipramine pamoate	Non-preferred agents require a 12-week trial of imipramine HCl before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.	
Upon hospital discharge, patients admitted with continue that drug.	a primary mental health diagnosis who have been stabilize	d on a non-preferred SSRI will receive an authorization to	
citalopram escitalopram tablets fluoxetine capsules, solution fluvoxamine paroxetine sertraline	CELEXA (citalopram) citalopram capsules escitalopram solution fluoxetine tablets fluoxetine DR capsules fluvoxamine ER LEXAPRO (escitalopram) paroxetine 7.5 mg capsules paroxetine ER paroxetine suspension PAXIL (paroxetine) PAXIL CR (paroxetine) PEXEVA (paroxetine) PROZAC (fluoxetine) SARAFEM (fluoxetine) sertraline capsules ZOLOFT (sertraline)		
ANTIEMETICSAP	ZOLOFT (Settrainle)		
CLASS PA CRITERIA: See below for subclass	criteria.		

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PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
	5HT3 RECEPTOR BLOCKERS	
granisetron tablets ondansetron ODT, solution, tablets	ondansetron vials SANCUSO (granisetron) SUSTOL (granisetron) ZOFRAN (ondansetron) ZUPLENZ (ondansetron)	Non-preferred agents require a three-day trial of a preferred agent before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.
	CANNABINOIDS	
	dronabinol* MARINOL (dronabinol)*	*Dronabinol will only be authorized for: 1. The treatment of anorexia associated with weight loss in patients with AIDS or cancer and unresponsive to megestrol; OR 2. The prophylaxis of chemotherapy induced nausea and vomiting unresponsive to threeday trials of ondansetron or promethazine for patients who are 18 to 65 years of age.
	SUBSTANCE P ANTAGONISTS	
aprepitant EMEND 125 mg CAPSULES (aprepitant) EMEND SUSPENSION (aprepitant)	EMEND 80 mg CAPSULES, DOSEPAK (aprepitant) VARUBI (rolapitant)	Non-preferred agents require a three-day trial of a preferred agent before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.
	COMBINATIONS	
doxylamine/pyridoxine (generic DICLEGIS)	AKYNZEO (netupitant/palonosetron) BONJESTA (doxylamine/pyridoxine) DICLEGIS (doxylamine/pyridoxine)	Non-preferred agents may only be approved after a trial and failure of a preferred agent unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.
ANTIFUNGALS, ORAL		
CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents	will only be authorized if one of the exceptions on the PA fo	rm is present.
clotrimazole fluconazole* griseofulvin*** nystatin terbinafine ^{CL/PA}	ANCOBON (flucytosine) CRESEMBA (isavuconazonium)CL/PA** BREXAFEMME (ibrexafungerp) DIFLUCAN (fluconazole) flucytosine itraconazole ketoconazole**** MYCELEX (clotrimazole) NOXAFIL (posaconazole) ORAVIG (miconazole) posaconazole tablets SPORANOX (itraconazole) TOLSURA (itraconazole) VFEND (voriconazole) VIVJOA (oteseconazole) voriconazole suspension	*PA is required when limits are exceeded. **Full PA criteria may be found on the PA Criteria page by clicking the hyperlink. ***PA is not required for griseofulvin suspension for children up to 18 years of age for the treatment of tinea capitis. ****Ketoconazole will be authorized if the following criteria are met: 1. Diagnosis of one of the following fungal infections: blastomycosis, coccidioidomycosis, histoplasmosis, chromomycosis, or paracoccidioidomycosis; AND

PREFERRED AGENTS PA C	RITERIA
	MILINA
diagnosis-appropritraconazole, fluc AND 3. Baseline assessr including alanine aspartate aminot bilirubin, alkaline time, and interna before starting tre 4. Weekly monitorir duration of treatmand a level above the above baseline, and symptoms of above baseline, and should be interrupted to ensument the starting trepeated to ensument and the starting trepeated trepeated to ensument and the starting trepeated trepeate	ng of serum ALT for the ment (if ALT values increase to apper limit of normal or 30% or if the patient develops normal liver function, treatment pted, and a full set of liver d. Liver tests should be are normalization of values); all concomitant medications for edrug interactions with

ANTIFUNGALS, TOPICALAP

CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents require 14-day trials of two preferred agents before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present. If a non-preferred shampoo is requested, a 14-day trial of one preferred product (i.e., ketoconazole shampoo) is required.

	ANTIFUNGALS			
econazole ketoconazole cream, shampoo miconazole (OTC) nystatin	CICLODAN (ciclopirox) ciclopirox ERTACZO (sertaconazole) EXELDERM (sulconazole) EXTINA (ketoconazole) GYNAZOLE 1 CREAM (butoconazole) JUBLIA (efinaconazole)* KERYDIN (tavaborole) ketoconazole foam	*Full PA criteria may be found on the <u>PA Criteria</u> page by clicking the hyperlink. **Oxistat cream will be authorized for children up to 13 years of age for tinea corporis, tinea cruris, tinea pedis, and tinea (pityriasis) versicolor.		
	KETODAN (ketoconazole) LOPROX (ciclopirox) luliconazole cream LUZU (luliconazole)			

THERAPEUTIC DRUG CLASS		
PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
	miconazole/petrolatum/zinc oxide naftifine cream NAFTIN GEL (naftifine) oxiconazole cream OXISTAT (oxiconazole)** sulconazole nitrate cream, solution tavaborole 5% topical solution VUSION (miconazole/petrolatum/zinc oxide)	
ANTIFUNGAL/STEROID COMBINATIONS		
clotrimazole/betamethasone cream	clotrimazole/betamethasone lotion nystatin/triamcinolone	
ANTIHEMOPHILIA FACTOR AGE		

CLASS PA CRITERIA: All agents will require prior authorization, and non-preferred agents require medical reasoning explaining why the need cannot be met using a preferred product.

All currently established regimens shall be grandfathered with documentation of adherence to therapy.

FACTOR VIII				
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	BYPASSING AGENTS			
	FEIBA NOVOSEVEN SEVENFACT			
	FACTOR IX			
ALPHANINE SD ALPROLIX BENEFIX IXINITY MONONINE PROFILNINE RIXUBIS	IDELVION REBINYN			

	THERAPEUTIC DRUG CLASS	
PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
	NON-FACTOR REPLACEMENT	
HEMLIBRA (emicizumab-kxwh)	ALHEMO (concizumab-mtci)* HYMPAVZI (marstacimab-hncq) QFITLIA (fitusiran)	*Alhemo may be approvable for routine prophylaxis to prevent or reduce the frequency of bleeding episodes in adults and pediatric patients greater than or equal to (≥) 12 years of age with hemophilia B (congenital factor IX deficiency) with factor IX inhibitors.
ANTIHYPERTENSIVES, SYMPAT		
approved, unless one of the exceptions on the	require 30-day trials of each preferred unique chemical entit PA form is present.	y in the corresponding formulation before they will be
clonidine patch clonidine tablets		
ANTIHYPERURICEMICS		
	require a 30-day trial of one of the preferred agents for the papproved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is pro	
	ANTIMITOTICS	
colchicine tablets	colchicine capsules COLCRYS TABLETS (colchicine) MITIGARE (colchicine) GLOPERBA (colchicine)*	In the case of acute gouty attacks, a 10-day supply (20 units) of the preferred agent(s) in this subclass will be authorized per 90 days. *Gloperba may only be authorized for those who are unable to ingest solid dosage forms due to documented oral-motor difficulties or dysphagia.
	ANTIMITOTIC-URICOSURIC COMBINATION	
colchicine/probenecid		
	URICOSURIC	
probenecid		
	XANTHINE OXIDASE INHIBITORS	
allopurinol febuxostat tablets	ULORIC (febuxostat) ZYLOPRIM (allopurinol)	
ANTIMIGRAINE AGENTS, PROPI		
CLASS PA CRITERIA: All agents require a pagents require a 90-day trial of all preferred ag	prior authorization. Full PA criteria may be found on the <u>P</u> A ents.	Criteria page by clicking the hyperlink. Non-preferred
AlMOVIG (erenumab) AJOVY (fremanezumab) EMGALITY AUTO-INJECTOR, 120 mg SYRINGES (galcanezumab)	EMGALITY 300 mg SYRINGES (galcanezumab)* NURTEC ODT (rimegepant)** QULIPTA (atogepant)	*Emgality 300 mg/3 mL requires review by the Medical Director and is available only on appeal. **Nurtec ODT for a diagnosis of Migraine Prophylaxis: Maximum Quantity limit of 16 tablets per 32 days.

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PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
ANTIMIGRAINE AGENTS, ACUTE CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents re administration as the requested agent (if available IMITREX NASAL SPRAY (sumatriptan) naratriptan rizatriptan ODT rizatriptan tablet sumatriptan injection pens, vials sumatriptan nasal spray sumatriptan tablets zolmitriptan tablets zolmitriptan ODT	equire three-day trials of each preferred unique chemical erole), before they will be approved, unless one of the exception TRIPTANS almotriptan AMERGE (naratriptan) eletriptan FROVA (frovatriptan) frovatriptan MAXALT (rizatriptan) MAXALT MLT (rizatriptan) ONZETRA XSAIL (sumatriptan)* RELPAX (eletriptan) sumatriptan cartridges	atity as well as a three-day trial using the same route of ions on the PA form is present. *In addition to the Class Criteria: Onzetra Xsail and Tosymra require three-day trials of each preferred oral, nasal, and injectable forms of sumatriptan.
	TOSYMRA NASAL SPRAY (sumatriptan)* ZEMBRACE SYMTOUCH (sumatriptan) zolmitriptan nasal spray ZOMIG (zolmitriptan) ZOMIG ZMT (zolmitriptan)	
	TRIPTAN COMBINATIONS sumatriptan/naproxen sodium	*Symbravo may be approved after the following has been
	SYMBRAVO (meloxicam/rizatriptan)* TREXIMET (sumatriptan/naproxen sodium)	met: 1. Symbravo is being used in adult patients for acute treatment of migraine with or without aura; AND 2. A trial resulting in an inadequate clinical response with sumatriptan/naproxen sodium; AND 3. A trial resulting in an inadequate clinical response with a preferred oral CGRP for migraine treatment; AND 4. Documentation is provided giving medical reasoning beyond convenience as to why the clinical need cannot be met with using a combination of the preferred individual components.
NURTEC ODT (rimegepant)*	CAMBIA (diclofenac) D.H.E 45 AMPULE (dihydroergotamine)** dihydroergotamine injection, nasal spray** ELYXYB (celecoxib)	*Nurtec Orally Disintegrating Tablet (ODT) For a diagnosis of Migraine Treatment: requires three-day trials of two preferred chemically

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PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
	MIGERGOT RECTAL SUPPOSITORY (ergotamine/caffeine)** MIGRANAL SPRAY (dihydroergotamine)** REYVOW (lasmiditan)*** TRUDHESA SPRAY (dihydroergotamine)** UBRELVY (ubrogepant)*** ZAVZPRET NASAL SPRAY (zavegepant)****	distinct triptans before it may be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present. Maximum Quantity limit of eight tablets per 30 days. **All non-preferred Ergot Alkaloid agents require threeday trials of two preferred triptans as well as a three-day trial of a preferred triptan using the same route of administration as the requested agent (if available), before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present. NOTE: Ergot derivatives should not be used with or within 24 hours of triptans. **Additional Ergot Alkaloid criteria: Nasal spray: Dihydroergotamine nasal spray and Trudhesa spray may only be authorized after a trial and failure of Migranal spray. Rectal suppository: Migergot rectal suppository may only be authorized after a trial and failure of a preferred triptan nasal spray. Injection: Dihydroergotamine injection and D.H.E 45 ampule may only be approved for cluster headaches. ***Ubrelvy and Reyvow require three-day trials of two preferred chemically distinct triptans as well as a three-day trial of Nurtec ODT before they may be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present. ****Zavzpret may be authorized after a trial and failure of a preferred CGRP agent used for acute treatment AND a trial and failure of two chemically distinct preferred triptans, including sumatriptan nasal spray (unless contraindicated).
ANTIPARASITICS, TOPICALAP		
CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents re of the exceptions on the PA form is present.	equire trials of each preferred agent (which are age and we	ight appropriate) before they will be approved, unless one
NATROBA (spinosad) permethrin 5% cream pyrethrins-piperonyl butoxide (OTC)	ELIMITE CREAM (permethrin) EURAX (crotamiton) ivermectin 0.5% lotion	

THERAPEUTIC DRUG CLASS		
PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
	LICE EGG REMOVER (benzalkonium chloride) (OTC) lindane malathion OVIDE (malathion) SKLICE (ivermectin) spinosad VANALICE (piperonyl/pyrethrum)	

ANTIPARKINSON'S AGENTS

CLASS PA CRITERIA: Patients starting therapy on drugs in this class must show a documented allergy to all preferred agents in the corresponding subclass before a non-preferred agent will be authorized.

ANTICHOLINERGICS		
benztropine trihexyphenidyl		
	Catechol-O- Methyltransferase (COMT) INHIBITO	RS
entacapone	COMTAN (entacapone) ONGENTYS (opicapone) TASMAR (tolcapone) tolcapone	COMT Inhibitor agents will only be approved as add-on therapy to a levodopa-containing regimen for treatment of documented motor complications.
	DOPAMINE AGONISTS	
APOKYN PEN (apomorphine) bromocriptine pramipexole ropinirole	apomorphine cartridge KYNMOBI FILM (apomorphine) MIRAPEX ER (pramipexole)* NEUPRO (rotigotine) pramipexole ER ropinirole ER	*Mirapex ER will be authorized for a diagnosis of Parkinsonism without a trial of preferred agents.
	OTHER ANTIPARKINSON'S AGENTS	
amantadine ^{AP*} carbidopa/levodopa levodopa/carbidopa/entacapone selegiline	AZILECT (rasagiline) Carbidopa CREXONT (carbidopa/levodopa) GOCOVRI ER (amantadine) INBRIJA (levodopa) levodopa/carbidopa ODT LODOSYN (carbidopa) NOURIANZ (istradefylline) OSMOLEX ER (amantadine) PARLODEL (bromocriptine) rasagiline RYTARY (levodopa/carbidopa) SINEMET (levodopa/carbidopa/entacapone) XADAGO (safinamide) ZELAPAR (selegiline)	*Amantadine will not be authorized for the treatment or prophylaxis of influenza.

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PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
ANTIPSORIATICS, TOPICAL		
	quire a 30-day trial of a preferred agent. Documentation den in when documented evidence is provided that the use of the	
calcipotriene solution ENSTILAR (calcipotriene/betamethasone) TACLONEX SUSPENSION (calcipotriene/betamethasone)	calcipotriene cream calcipotriene/betamethasone ointment, suspension calcitriol SORILUX (calcipotriene) tazarotene cream VTAMA (tapinarof) ZORYVE 0.3% CREAM*, FOAM** (roflumilast)	*Zoryve 0.3% cream or foam for <i>plaque psoriasis</i> : Requires a 30-day trial of either Taclonex suspension, Enstilar, OR calcipotriene solution. **Zoryve 0.3% foam for <i>seborrheic dermatitis</i> : 1. Requires a <u>concurrent</u> trial with an antifungal shampoo (e.g., ketoconazole) AND a high potency corticosteroid (foam, lotion, shampoo or spray) for four weeks. 2. For seborrheic dermatitis <i>NOT</i> affecting the scalp: a. A <u>concurrent</u> trial with a topical antifungal (e.g., ketoconazole cream) AND a high potency corticosteroid for two weeks AND b. A <u>concurrent</u> trial with a topical antifungal (e.g., ketoconazole cream) AND tacrolimus for four weeks.

ANTIPSYCHOTICS, ATYPICAL AND COMBINATION

CLASS PA CRITERIA: All antipsychotic agents require prior authorization for children up to 18 years of age. All PA requests for antipsychotics for children six years of age and younger will be reviewed by Medicaid's consultant psychiatrist.

Non-preferred agents require 30-day trials of two preferred Atypical Antipsychotics approved or medically accepted for the member's diagnosis or indication, including the generic formulation of the requested agent (if available), before they will be approved unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present. When determining requests for non-preferred products, any trial utilizing a preferred agent whose dose or duration was limited due to adverse effects or clear lack of efficacy will be considered complete only if the agent was being taken within the FDA approved therapeutic range.*

Patients shall be grandfathered onto their existing therapy, provided the requested agent is being used according to the manufacturer label. Continuation of therapy for an off-label indication or non-standard dosage may be granted a 30-day prior authorization while the medical director reviews the request.

*According to manufacturer dosing recommendations.

SINGLE INGREDIENT

ABILIFY ASIMTUFII (aripiprazole) CLPA ABILIFY MAINTENA (aripiprazole) CLPA ABILIFY MAINTENA (aripiprazole) CLPA ARISTADA (aripiprazole) CLPA ARISTADA (aripiprazole) CLPA ARISTADA (aripiprazole) CLPA ARISTENA (alipiprazole) CLOZARIL (clozapine) CLOZARIL (clozapine) CLOZARIL (clozapine) CREENEY (kannelinelitrosplum) ERZOFIR ((aliperidone) CREODON (ziprasidone) GEODON (ziprasidone) GEODON (ziprasidone) LYBALVI (alianzapine) CREODON (ziprasidone) LYBALVI (alianzapine) CREONE (in (insperidone) LYBALVI (alianzapine) CREONE (insperidone) LYBALVI (alianzapine) CREONE (insperidone) LYBALVI (alianzapine) CREONE (insperidone) CREONE (insperidone) LYBALVI (alianzapine) CREONE (insperidone) CREONE (insperidone) CREONE (insperidone) CREONE (insperidone) LYBALVI (alianzapine) CREONE (insperidone) CR
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ANTIRETROVIRALS ^{AP}

THERAPEUTIC DRUG CLASS			
PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA	
a preferred agent or combination of preferred ag	CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred drugs require medical reasoning beyond convenience or enhanced compliance as to why the clinical need cannot be met with a preferred agent or combination of preferred agents. NOTE: Regimens consisting of preferred agents will result in no more than one additional unit per day over equivalent regimens composed of non-preferred agents. Patients already on a non-preferred regimen shall be grandfathered.		
BIKTARVY (bictegravir/emtricitabine/tenofovir alafenamide) COMPLERA (emtricitabine/rilpivirine/tenofovir disoproxil fumarate) DELSTRIGO (doravirine/lamivudine/tenofovir disoproxil fumarate) DOVATO (dolutegravir/lamivudine) efavirenz/emtricitabine/tenofovir disoproxil fumarate GENVOYA (elvitegravir/cobicistat/ emtricitabine/tenofovir alafenamide) ODEFSEY (emtricitabine/rilpivirine/tenofovir alafenamide) TRIUMEQ (abacavir/dolutegravir/lamivudine)	SINGLE TABLET REGIMENS ATRIPLA (efavirenz/emtricitabine/tenofovir disoproxil fumarate) efavirenz/lamivudine/tenofovir disoproxil fumarate JULUCA (dolutegravir/rilpivirine) SYMFI (efavirenz/lamivudine/tenofovir disoproxil fumarate) SYMFI LO (efavirenz/lamivudine/tenofovir disoproxil fumarate) STRIBILD (elvitegravir/cobicistat/emtricitabine/tenofovir disoproxil fumarate)* SYMTUZA (darunavir/cobicistat/emtricitabine/tenofovir alafenamide) TRIUMEQ PD (abacavir/dolutegravir/lamivudine)	*Stribild requires medical reasoning beyond convenience or enhanced compliance as to why the medical need cannot be met with the preferred agent Genvoya.	
	INTEGRASE STRAND TRANSFER INHIBITORS	S	
ISENTRESS (raltegravir potassium) TIVICAY (dolutegravir sodium) TIVICAY PD (dolutegravir sodium)	ISENTRESS HD (raltegravir potassium)		
	NUCLEOSIDE REVERSE TRANSCRIPTASE INHIBITOR	RS (NRTI)	
abacavir sulfate tablets EMTRIVA (emtricitabine) EPIVIR SOLUTION (lamivudine) lamivudine tenofovir disoproxil fumarate VIREAD ORAL POWDER (tenofovir disoproxil fumarate) ZIAGEN SOLUTION (abacavir sulfate) zidovudine	abacavir sulfate solution didanosine DR capsules emtricitabine capsules EPIVIR TABLETS (lamivudine) RETROVIR (zidovudine) stavudine VIDEX EC (didanosine) VIDEX SOLUTION (didanosine) VIREAD TABLETS (tenofovir disoproxil fumarate) ZIAGEN TABLETS (abacavir sulfate)		
NON-NUCLEOSIDE REVERSE TRANSCRIPTASE INHIBITOR (NNRTI)			
efavirenz	EDURANT (rilpivirine) EDURANT PED (rilpivirine) etravirine INTELENCE (etravirine) nevirapine nevirapine ER		

THERAPEUTIC DRUG CLASS		
PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
	PIFELTRO (doravirine) SUSTIVA (efavirenz) VIRAMUNE ER 24H (nevirapine) VIRAMUNE SUSPENSION (nevirapine)	
TVDOOT (I I I I I I	PHARMACOENHANCER – CYTOCHROME P450 INH	IBITOR
TYBOST (cobicistat)		
	PROTEASE INHIBITORS (PEPTIDIC)	
atazanavir EVOTAZ (atazanavir/cobicistat) REYATAZ POWDER PACK (atazanavir) ritonavir tablets	fosamprenavir LEXIVA (fosamprenavir) NORVIR (ritonavir) REYATAZ CAPSULES (atazanavir) VIRACEPT (nelfinavir mesylate)	Norvir powder pack may be authorized for those who are unable to ingest solid dosage forms due to documented oral-motor difficulties or dysphagia.
	PROTEASE INHIBITORS (NON-PEPTIDIC)	
darunavir PREZCOBIX (darunavir/cobicistat)	APTIVUS (tipranavir) PREZISTA (darunavir)	
	ENTRY INHIBITORS - CCR5 CO-RECEPTOR ANTAG	ONISTS
	maraviroc SELZENTRY (maraviroc)	
	ENTRY INHIBITORS – FUSION INHIBITORS	
	FUZEON (enfuvirtide)*	*Full PA criteria may be found on the <u>PA Criteria</u> page by clicking the hyperlink.
	COMBINATION PRODUCTS - NRTIs	
abacavir/lamivudine lamivudine/zidovudine	abacavir/lamivudine/zidovudine CIMDUO (lamivudine/tenofovir disoproxil fumarate) COMBIVIR (lamivudine/zidovudine) EPZICOM (abacavir/lamivudine) TEMIXYS (lamivudine/tenofovir disoproxil fumarate) TRIZIVIR (abacavir/lamivudine/zidovudine)	
COMBINATION PRODUCTS - NUCLEOSIDE & NUCLEOTIDE ANALOG RTIS		
DESCOVY (emtricitabine/tenofovir alafenamide) emtricitabine/tenofovir alafenamide	TRUVADA (emtricitabine/tenofovir alafenamide)	
COMBINATION PRODUCTS - PROTEASE INHIBITORS		
lopinavir/ritonavir	KALETRA (lopinavir/ritonavir)	
	PRODUCTS FOR PRE-EXPOSURE PROPHYLAXIS (PrEP)
APRETUDE (cabotegravir) DESCOVY (emtricitabine/tenofovir	TRUVADA (emtricitabine/tenofovir alafenamide)	

THERAPEUTIC DRUG CLASS		
PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
alafenamide) emtricitabine/tenofovir alafenamide		

ANTIVIRALS, ORAL

CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents require five-day trials of each preferred agent in the same subclass before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.

ANTI HERPES		
acyclovir valacyclovir	famciclovir SITAVIG (acyclovir) VALTREX (valacyclovir) ZOVIRAX (acyclovir)	
ANTI-INFLUENZA		
oseltamivir	FLUMADINE (rimantadine) RELENZA (zanamivir) rimantadine TAMIFLU (oseltamivir) XOFLUZA (baloxavir)	In addition to the Class Criteria: The anti-influenza agents will be authorized only for a diagnosis of influenza.

ANTIVIRALS, TOPICALAP

CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents require a five-day trial of the preferred agent before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.

acyclovir ointment	acyclovir cream
ZOVIRAX CREAM (acyclovir)	docosanol cream
DENAVIR (penciclovir)	penciclovir cream
	ZOVIRAX OINTMENT (acyclovir)

BETA BLOCKERSAP

CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents require 14-day trials of three chemically-distinct preferred agents, including the generic formulation of the requested non-preferred agent before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.

BETA BLOCKERS

acebutolol	BETAPACE (sotalol)	*Hemangeol will be authorized for the treatment of
atenolol	BYSTOLIC (nebivolol)	proliferating infantile hemangioma requiring systemic
betaxolol	CORGARD (nadolol)	therapy.
bisoprolol	INDERAL LA (propranolol)	
HEMANGEOL (propranolol)*	INDERAL XL (propranolol)	
metoprolol	INNOPRAN XL (propranolol)	
metoprolol ER	KAPSPARGO SPRINKLE (metoprolol)	
nadolol	LOPRESSOR (metoprolol)	
nebivolol	TENORMIN (atenolol)	
pindolol	TOPROL XL (metoprolol)	
propranolol	, ,	
propranolol ER		

THERAPEUTIC DRUG CLASS		
PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
SORINE (sotalol) sotalol timolol		
	BETA BLOCKER/DIURETIC COMBINATION DRU	GS
atenolol/chlorthalidone bisoprolol/HCTZ metoprolol/HCTZ propranolol/HCTZ	nadolol/bendroflumethiazide TENORETIC (atenolol/chlorthalidone) ZIAC (bisoprolol/HCTZ)	
	BETA- AND ALPHA-BLOCKERS	
carvedilol labetalol	carvedilol ER capsules COREG (carvedilol) COREG CR (carvedilol)	
BLADDER RELAXANT PREPARATIONS ^{AP}		
CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents require 30-day trials of each chemically distinct preferred agent before they will be approved, unless one of the		

exceptions on the PA form is present

DETROL LA (tolterodine) fesoterodine ER GELNIQUE (oxybutynin) MYRBETRIQ TABLETS (mirabegron) oxybutynin IR oxybutynin ER OXYTROL (oxybutynin) solifenacin	darifenacin ER tablets DETROL (tolterodine) DITROPAN XL (oxybutynin) ENABLEX (darifenacin) flavoxate GEMTESA (vibegron) mirabegron ER MYRBETRIQ SUSPENSION (mirabegron) tolterodine tolterodine ER TOVIAZ (fesoterodine) trospium ER	
	trospium ER VESICARE (solifenacin) VESICARE LS (solifenacin)	

BONE RESORPTION SUPPRESSION AND RELATED AGENTS

CLASS PA CRITERIA: See below for class criteria.

BISPHOSPHONATES

alendronate tablets	ACTONEL (risedronate)	Non-preferred agents require six-month trials of each
ibandronate	alendronate solution	preferred Bisphosphonate agent before they will be
	ATELVIA (risedronate)	approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form
	BINOSTO (alendronate)	is present.
	BONIVA (ibandronate)	·
	FOSAMAX TABLETS (alendronate)	
	FOSAMAX PLUS D (alendronate/vitamin D)	
	risedronate	

THERAPEUTIC DRUG CLASS		
PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
	OTHER BONE RESORPTION SUPPRESSION AND REL	ATED AGENTS
	calcitonin EVISTA (raloxifene)* FORTEO (teriparatide) MIACALCIN (calcitonin) raloxifene* teriparatide TYMLOS (abaloparatide)	Non-preferred agents require a six-month trial of a preferred Bisphosphonate agent before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present. *Raloxifene will be authorized for postmenopausal women with osteoporosis who are at high risk for invasive breast cancer.
BPH TREATMENTS		illyddive bleddi calloci.
CLASS PA CRITERIA: See below for indiv	idual subclass criteria.	
	5-ALPHA-REDUCTASE (5AR) INHIBITORS AND PDI	E-5 AGENTS
finasteride	AVODART (dutasteride) CIALIS 5 mg (tadalafil) dutasteride ENTADFI CAPSULES (finasteride/tadalafil)* PROSCAR (finasteride) tadalafil	Non-preferred 5AR agents require a 30-day trial of finasteride before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present. Non-preferred PDE-5 agents require 30-day trials of finasteride AND a preferred alpha blocker before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present. *Documentation of medical reasoning beyond convenience must be provided as to why the clinical need cannot be met with finasteride used in combination with tadalafil.
	ALPHA BLOCKERS	
alfuzosin doxazosin tamsulosin terazosin	CARDURA (doxazosin) CARDURA XL (doxazosin) FLOMAX (tamsulosin) RAPAFLO (silodosin) silodosin TEZRULY SOLUTION (terazosin)*	Non-preferred alpha blockers require 30-day trials of at least two preferred agents in this subclass, including the generic formulation of the requested non-preferred agent before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.
		*Tezruly may only be authorized for those who are unable to ingest solid dosage forms of terazosin due to documented oral-motor difficulties or dysphagia.
5-	ALPHA-REDUCTASE (5AR) INHIBITORS/ALPHA BLOCK	
BRONCHODILATORS, BETA A	dutasteride/tamsulosin JALYN (dutasteride/tamsulosin)	Substitute for Class Criteria: Concurrent 30-day trials of dutasteride and tamsulosin are required before the non-preferred agent will be authorized.

THERAPEUTIC DRUG CLASS		
PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agent exceptions on the PA form is present.	s require 30-day trials of each chemically distinct preferred	agent in their corresponding subclass unless one of the
	INHALATION SOLUTION	
albuterol	arformoterol BROVANA (arformoterol) formoterol levalbuterol metaproterenol PERFOROMIST (formoterol) XOPENEX (levalbuterol)*	*Xopenex Inhalation Solution will be authorized for 12 months for a diagnosis of asthma or COPD for patients on concurrent asthma controller therapy (either oral or inhaled) with documentation of failure on a trial of albuterol or documented intolerance of albuterol, or for concurrent diagnosis of heart disease.
	INHALERS, LONG-ACTING	
SEREVENT (salmeterol)	STRIVERDI RESPIMAT (olodaterol)	
	INHALERS, SHORT-ACTING	
albuterol HFA PROAIR HFA (albuterol) PROAIR RESPICLICK (albuterol) PROVENTIL HFA (albuterol) VENTOLIN HFA (albuterol)	PROAIR DIGIHALER (albuterol) XOPENEX HFA (levalbuterol)	*Airsupra can be found in Glucocorticoids, Inhaled section of PDL.
, ,	ORAL	
albuterol syrup	albuterol ER albuterol IR metaproterenol terbutaline	
CALCIUM CHANNEL BLOCKERS ^{AP} CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents require 14-day trials of each preferred agent within the corresponding subclass before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.		
	LONG-ACTING	
amlodipine diltiazem ER/CD felodipine ER nifedipine ER verapamil ER	CALAN SR (verapamil) CARDIZEM CD, LA (diltiazem) DILT-XR diltiazem LA KATERZIA SUSPENSION (amlodipine)* levamlodipine maleate MATZIM LA (diltiazem) nisoldipine NORLIQVA (amlodipine)* NORVASC (amlodipine) PROCARDIA XL (nifedipine) SULAR (nisoldipine) TIAZAC (diltiazem) verapamil ER PM	*Katerzia and Norliqva may be authorized for children who are six to 10 years of age who are unable to ingest solid dosage forms. Therapy may be authorized for older patients with clinical documentation indicating oral-motor difficulties or dysphagia. In addition, Norliqva may only be authorized for patients who have a documented allergy or are unable to tolerate Katerzia.

THERAPEUTIC DRUG CLASS			
PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA	
	VERELAN/VERELAN PM (verapamil)		
SHORT-ACTING			
diltiazem verapamil	CARDIZEM (diltiazem) isradipine nicardipine nifedipine nimodipine NYMALIZE SOLUTION (nimodipine) PROCARDIA (nifedipine)		
CEPHALOSPORINS AND RELATE			

CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents require a five-day trial of a preferred agent within the corresponding subclass before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.

RETAILACTAMS AND RETA	LACTAM/BETA-LACTAMASE	INHIBITOR COMBINATIONS
DETA LACTAMO AND BETA	LACTAW/BETA-LACTAWASE	INTIBITOR COMBINATIONS

amoxicillin/clavulanate IR	amoxicillin/clavulanate ER AUGMENTIN (amoxicillin/clavulanate)	
	CEPHALOSPORINS	
cefaclor capsules cefadroxil tablets cefdinir cefuroxime tablets cephalexin capsules, suspension	cefaclor suspension cefaclor ER tablets cefadroxil capsules cefadroxil suspension cefixime cefpodoxime cefprozil cefuroxime suspension cephalexin tablets KEFLEX (cephalexin) SUPRAX (cefixime)	

COPD AGENTS

CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents require a 60-day trial of one preferred agent from the corresponding subclass before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.

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	ANTICHOLINERGIC ^{AP}		
ATROVENT HFA (ipratropium) INCRUSE ELLIPTA (umeclidinium) ipratropium nebulizer solution SPIRIVA HANDIHALER (tiotropium) SPIRIVA RESPIMAT (tiotropium)	TUDORZA (aclidinium) YUPELRI SOLUTION (revefenacin)		
ANTICHOLINERGIC-BETA AGONIST COMBINATIONS ^{AP}			

THERAPEUTIC DRUG CLASS		
PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
albuterol/ipratropium nebulizer solution ANORO ELLIPTA (umeclidinium/vilanterol) umeclidinium/vilanterol COMBIVENT RESPIMAT (albuterol/ipratropium) STIOLTO RESPIMAT (tiotropium/olodaterol)	BEVESPI (glycopyrrolate/formoterol) DUAKLIR PRESSAIR (aclidinium/formoterol)*	*In addition to the Class PA Criteria: Duaklir Pressair requires 60-day trials of each long-acting preferred agent, as well as a 60-day trial of Stiolto Respimat.
	CHOLINERGIC-BETA AGONIST-GLUCOCORTICOID CO	OMBINATIONS
	BREZTRI AEROSPHERE (budesonide/glycopyrrolate/ formoterol)* TRELEGY ELLIPTA (fluticasone/umeclidinium/ vilanterol)**	*Breztri may be prior authorized for patients currently established on the individual components for at least 30 days. **Trelegy Ellipta may be prior authorized for patients currently established on the individual components for at least 30 days.
	PHOSPHODIESTERASE INHIBITORS	,
roflumilast	DALIRESP (roflumilast) OHTUVAYRE (ensifentrine)*	*Ohtuvayre is being used for the maintenance treatment of patients with moderate to severe chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) AND the patient has had a documented side effect, allergy, treatment failure, or a contraindication to maximally tolerated dual therapy with at least one inhaled long-acting muscarinic antagonist (LAMA) AND at least one inhaled long-acting beta-agonist (LABA) OR maximally tolerated triple therapy with at least one inhaled LAMA + LABA AND at least one inhaled corticosteroid (when blood eosinophils greater than or equal to (\geq) 300 cells/microL).
CROHNS DISEASE ORAL STERO		
ORAL		
budesonide ER capsules (generic ENTOCORT EC)	ENTOCORT EC (budesonide)* ORTIKOS (budesonide)*	*Please see the following PDL classes for PDL status of additional agents used for induction and remission (Cytokine and CAM Antagonists/Immunosuppressives, Oral/Ulcerative Colitis Agents).
		*Entocort EC and Ortikos may only be authorized if the patient has a documented allergy, or intolerance, to the generic budesonide 3 mg 24-hour capsules.
CYTOKINE & CAM ANTAGONISTS	CL/PA	

CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents require 90-day trials of all preferred agents which are indicated for the diagnosis, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present. Patients stabilized for at least six months on their existing non-preferred regimen shall be grandfathered (provided the current therapy is for a labeled indication AND a more cost-effective biosimilar product is not available). In cases where a biosimilar exists but is also non-preferred, the PA vendor shall advise the provider which product is the most cost-effective agent. All off-label requests require review by the medical director. Full PA criteria may be found on the PA Criteria page by clicking the link.

ANTI-TNFs

PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
AVSOLA (infliximab-axxq) ENBREL (etanercept) HUMIRA (adalimumab) nfliximab SIMPONI SUBCUTANEOUS (golimumab)	ABRILADA (adalimumab-afzb) adalimumab-aacf adalimumab-aaty adalimumab-adbm adalimumab-fkjp AMJEVITA (adalimumab-atto) CIMZIA (certolizumab pegol) CYLTEZO (adalimumab-adbm) HADLIMA (adalimumab-bwwd) HULIO (adalimumab-fkjp) HYRIMOZ (adalimumab-adaz) IDACIO (adalimumab-acef) INFLECTRA (infliximab-dyyb) REMICADE (infliximab) RENFLEXIS (infliximab-abda) SIMLANDI (adalimumab-aaty) YUSIMRY (adalimumab-aqvh) ZYMFENTRA (infliximab-dyyb)	
	OTHERS	
KINERET (anakinra) ORENCIA CLICKJECT, VIAL (abatacept) OTEZLA (apremilast) PYZCHIVA (ustekinumab-ttwe)*** TALTZ (ixekizumab)* TYENNE (tocilizumab-aazg) XELJANZ (tofacitinib)	ACTEMRA ACTPEN (tocilizumab) ACTEMRA SUBCUTANEOUS (tocilizumab) BIMZELX (bimekizumab-bkzx) COSENTYX (secukinumab) ENTYVIO (vedolizumab) ILARIS (canakinumab) ILUMYA (tildrakizumab) KEVZARA (sarilumab) OLUMIANT (baricitinib) OMVOH (mirikizumab-mrkz) ORENCIA SYRINGE (abatacept) OTULFI (ustekinumab-aauz) RINVOQ ER (upadacitinib)** SELARSDI (ustekinumab-aekn) SILIQ (brodalumab) SKYRIZI (risankizumab-rzaa) SOTYKTU (deucravacitinib) STELARA SUBCUTANEOUS (ustekinumab) STEQEYMA (ustekinumab-stba) TOFIDENCE (tocilizumab-bavi) TREMFYA (guselkumab) VELSIPITY (etrasimod) WEZLANA (ustekinumab-auub)	*Taltz will be authorized for treatment of plaque psoriasis, psoriatic arthritis, and ankylosing spondylitis only after inadequate response to a 90-day trial of one preferred Anti-TNF agent. **Full PA criteria for Rinvoq ER may be found on the Partieria page by clicking the hyperlink. ***In addition to class criteria, Pyzchiva may be authorized for a diagnosis of an FDA approved indication after a 90-day trial of one preferred Anti-TNF agent.

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PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
	XELJANZ XR (tofacitinib) YESINTEK (ustekinumab-kfce)	
DIABETES AGENTS, BIGUANIDE		
CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents ron the PA form is present.	equire a 90-day trial of a preferred agent of similar duration	before they will be approved, unless one of the exception
metformin ER (generic GLUCOPHAGE XR)	FORTAMET (metformin ER) GLUCOPHAGE XR (metformin ER) GLUMETZA (metformin ER)* metformin solution (generic RIOMET) metformin ER (generic GLUMETZA and FORTAMET) RIOMET (metformin)	*Glumetza will be approved only after a 30-day trial of Fortamet.
DIABETES AGENTS, DPP-4 INHIE	BITORS	
CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents a	are available only on appeal. NOTE : DPP-4 inhibitors will NO	OT be approved in combination with a GLP-1 agonist.
JANUMET (sitagliptin/metformin) JANUMET XR (sitagliptin/metformin) JANUVIA (sitagliptin) JENTADUETO (linagliptin/metformin) TRADJENTA (linagliptin)	alogliptin alogliptin/metformin alogliptin/pioglitazone JENTADUETO XR (linagliptin/metformin) KAZANO (alogliptin/metformin) KOMBIGLYZE XR (saxagliptin/metformin) NESINA (alogliptin) ONGLYZA (saxagliptin) OSENI (alogliptin/pioglitazone) sitagliptin sitagliptin/metformin ZITUVIO (sitagliptin) ZITUVIMET (sitagliptin/metformin) ZITUVIMET XR (sitagliptin/metformin)	

THERAPEUTIC DRUG CLASS PREFERRED AGENTS **PA CRITERIA** NON-PREFERRED AGENTS

DIABETES AGENTS, GLP-1 AGONISTSCL/PA

Preferred agents may be authorized with a diagnosis of Diabetes Mellitus Type II.

CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents will only be approved (in six-month intervals) if ALL of the following criteria have been met:

- 1) Diagnosis of Diabetes Mellitus Type II.
- 2) Current A1C must be submitted. Agents in this class will not be approved for patients with a starting A1C of less than (<) 7%.
- 3) Documentation demonstrating 90 days of compliance on all current diabetic therapies is provided.
- 4) Documentation demonstrating treatment failure with all unique preferred agents in the same class.

Re-authorizations will require documentation of continued compliance on all diabetic therapies and A1C levels must reach goal (either an A1C of less than or equal to (<) 8% or demonstrated continued improvement).

NOTE: GLP-1 agents will NOT be approved in combination with a DPP-4 inhibitor.

OZEMPIC (semaglutide) TRULICITY (dulaqlutide) VICTOZA (liraglutide)

BYDUREON BCISE (exenatide) BYETTA (exenatide)

liraglutide

MOUNJARO (tirzepatide) RYBELSUS (semaglutide)

DIABETES AGENTS, INSULIN AND RELATED AGENTS

APIDRA (insulin glulisine) **HUMALOG** (insulin lispro)

HUMALOG JR KWIKPEN (insulin lispro)

HUMALOG KWIKPEN U-100 (insulin lispro) HUMALOG MIX PENS (insulin lispro/lispro

protamine)

HUMALOG MIX VIALS (insulin lispro/lispro protamine)

HUMULIN 70/30 (insulin)

HUMULIN R U-500 VIALS (insulin)

HUMULIN R U-500 KWIKPEN (insulin)

insulin aspart flexpen, penfill, vials

insulin aspart/aspart protamine pens, vials

insulin lispro kwikpen U-100, vials

LANTUS (insulin glargine) NOVOLOG (insulin aspart)

NOVOLOG MIX (insulin aspart/aspart protamine)

NOVOLIN N (insulin)

SEMGLEE (insulin glargine)

TOUJEO SOLOSTAR (insulin glargine)

TOUJEO MAX SOLOSTAR (insulin glargine)

ADMELOG (insulin lispro)

AFREZZA (insulin)CL/PA

BASAGLAR (insulin glargine)

FIASP (insulin aspart)

HUMALOG U-200 KWIKPEN (insulin lispro)

HUMULIN PENS (insulin) **HUMULIN R VIAL (insulin)**

HUMULIN N VIAL (insulin)

insulin glargine

insulin lispro junior kwikpen

insulin lispro protamine mix

LYUMJEV (insulin lispro)

MERILOG (insulin aspart-szjj)

NOVOLIN (insulin)

REZVOGLAR (insulin glargine-aglr)

SOLIQUA (insulin glargine/lixisenatide)* TRESIBA (insulin dealudec)**

TRESIBA FLEXTOUCH (insulin degludec)** XULTOPHY (insulin degludec/liraglutide)*

*Non-preferred insulin combination products require that the patient must already be established on the individual agents at doses not exceeding the maximum dose achievable with the combination product and require medical reasoning beyond convenience or enhanced compliance as to why the clinical need cannot be met with a combination of preferred single-ingredient agents.

**Patients stabilized on Tresiba may be grandfathered at the request of the prescriber if the prescriber considers the preferred products to be clinically inappropriate.

**Tresiba U-100 may be approved only for: Patients who have demonstrated at least a six-month history of compliance on a preferred long-acting insulin and who continue to have regular incidents of hypoglycemia.

**Tresiba U-200 may be approved only for: Patients who require once daily doses of at least 60 units of long-acting insulin and have demonstrated at least a six-month history of compliance on preferred long-

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PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
		acting insulin and who continue to have regular incidents of hypoglycemia.
DIABETES AGENTS, MEGLITINID	ES	
CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents a	re available only on appeal.	
	MEGLITINIDES	
nateglinide repaglinide	PRANDIN (repaglinide) STARLIX (nateglinide)	
	MEGLITINIDE COMBINATIONS	
	repaglinide/metformin	
DIABETES AGENTS, MISCELLANEOUS AGENTS		
CLASS PA CRITERIA: Welchol will be authorized for add-on therapy for Diabetes Mellitus Type II when there is a previous history of a 30-day trial of an oral diabetic agent.		
colesevelam	SYMLIN (pramlintide)* WELCHOL (colesevelam) ^{AP}	*Symlin will be authorized with a history of bolus insulin utilization in the past 90 days with no gaps in insulin therapy greater than (>) 30 days.
DIABETES ACENTS SCITZ INILII	DITORE	

DIABETES AGENTS, SGLT2 INHIBITORS

CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents will only be approved (in six-month intervals) if ALL of the following criteria have been met:

- 1) Current A1C must be submitted. Agents in this class will not be approved for patients with a starting A1C of less than (<) 7%.
- 2) Documentation demonstrating 90 days of compliance on all current diabetic therapies is provided.
- 3) Documentation demonstrating treatment failure with all unique preferred agents in the same class.

Re-authorizations will require documentation of <u>continued</u> compliance on all diabetic therapies and A1C levels must reach goal (either an A1C of less than or equal to (\leq) 8% or demonstrated continued improvement).

For all other FDA approved indications: A 30-day trial and failure of each preferred SGLT2 is required.

	SGLT2 INHIBITORS	
FARXIGA (dapagliflozin) JARDIANCE (empagliflozin)	dapagliflozin INVOKANA (canagliflozin) STEGLATRO (ertugliflozin)	
	SGLT2 COMBINATIONS	
SYNJARDY (empagliflozin/metformin) XIGDUO XR (dapagliflozin/metformin)	dapagliflozin/metformin GLYXAMBI (empagliflozin/linagliptin) INVOKAMET (canagliflozin/metformin) INVOKAMET XR (canagliflozin/metformin) QTERN (dapagliflozin/saxagliptin) SEGLUROMET (ertugliflozin/metformin STEGLUJAN (ertugliflozin/sitagliptin) SYNJARDY XR (empagliflozin/metformin) TRIJARDY XR (empagliflozin/linagliptin/metformin)	

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PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA	
DIABETES AGENTS, TZD			
CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		
pioglitazone	THIAZOLIDINEDIONES ACTOS (pioglitazone)		
pioginazorie	AVANDIA (rosiglitazone)		
	TZD COMBINATIONS		
	ACTOPLUS MET (pioglitazone/metformin)* DUETACT (pioglitazone/glimepiride)* pioglitazone/glimepiride pioglitazone/metformin	*Patients are required to use the components of Actoplus Met and Duetact separately. Exceptions will be handled on a case-by-case basis.	
DRY EYE PRODUCTS			
·	require a 60-day trial of the preferred agent(s).		
RESTASIS (cyclosporine) XIIDRA (lifitegrast)	CEQUA (cyclosporine) cyclosporine dropperette MIEBO RESTASIS MULTIDOSE (cyclosporine)* TYRVAYA (varenicline) VEVYE (cyclosporine)	*Restasis Multidose is approvable only on appeal and requires medical reasoning as to why the clinical need cannot be met with the preferred product (Restasis).	
EPINEPHRINE, SELF-ADMINIST			
CLASS PA CRITERIA: A non-preferred agento understand the training for the preferred ag	t may be authorized with documentation showing the patient ent(s).	's inability to follow the instructions, or the patient's failure	
epinephrine (labeler 49502 only) EPIPEN (epinephrine) EPIPEN JR (epinephrine)	AUVI-Q (epinephrine) epinephrine (all labelers except 49502) NEFFY NASAL SPRAY (epinephrine) SYMJEPI (epinephrine)		
ERYTHROPOIESIS STIMULATIN	G PROTEINSCL/PA		
CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents require a 30-day trial of a preferred agent before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA for present.			
EPOGEN (rHuEPO) RETACRIT (epoetin alpha)	ARANESP (darbepoetin) MIRCERA (methoxy PEG-epoetin) PROCRIT (rHuEPO)	Erythropoiesis agents will be authorized if the following criteria are met: 1. Hemoglobin or hematocrit less than (<) 10/30 respectively. For renewal, hemoglobin or hematocrit levels greater than (>) 12/36 will require dosage reduction or discontinuation. Exceptions will be considered on an individual basis after medical documentation is reviewed (laboratory values must be dated within six weeks of request); AND	

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PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
		 Transferrin saturation greater than or equal to (≥) 20%, ferritin levels greater than or equal to (≥) 100 mg/ml, or on concurrent therapeutic iron therapy (laboratory values must be dated within three weeks of request). For reauthorization, transferrin saturation or ferritin levels are not required if the patient has been responsive to the erythropoietin agent; AND For HIV-infected patients, endogenous serum erythropoietin level must be less than or equal to (≤) 500 mU/ml to initiate therapy; AND No evidence of untreated GI bleeding, hemolysis, or Vitamin B-12, iron or folate deficiency.
FLUOROQUINOLONES, ORALAP		•
•	equire a five-day trial of a preferred agent before they will be	e approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form
is present.		
CIPRO SUSPENSION (ciprofloxacin) ciprofloxacin levofloxacin tablets	BAXDELA (delafloxacin) CIPRO TABLETS (ciprofloxacin) ciprofloxacin suspension levofloxacin solution moxifloxacin ofloxacin	
GLUCOCORTICOIDS, INHALEDAP		
	equire 30-day trials of each chemically unique preferred age	ent before they will be approved, unless one of the
	GLUCOCORTICOIDS	
ARNUITY ELLIPTA (fluticasone) ASMANEX TWISTHALER (mometasone) budesonide nebulizer 0.5 mg/2 ml and 0.25 mg/2 ml solution PULMICORT FLEXHALER (budesonide)	ALVESCO (ciclesonide) ARMONAIR DIGIHALER (fluticasone) ASMANEX HFA (mometasone)* budesonide nebulizer solution 1 mg/2 ml fluticasone HFA* PULMICORT NEBULIZER SOLUTION (budesonide) QVAR REDIHALER (beclomethasone)	*Asmanex HFA and fluticasone HFA are approved for children less than or equal to (<) 10 years of age.
GLUCOCORTICOID/BRONCHODILATOR COMBINATIONS		
ADVAIR DISKUS (fluticasone/salmeterol) ADVAIR HFA (fluticasone/salmeterol) DULERA (mometasone/formoterol) SYMBICORT (budesonide/formoterol)	AIRDUO DIGIHALER (fluticasone/salmeterol) AIRDUO RESPICLICK (fluticasone/salmeterol) AIRSUPRA (albuterol/budesonide) BREO ELLIPTA (fluticasone/vilanterol) budesonide/formoterol fluticasone/salmeterol fluticasone/vilanterol	

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PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
	WIXELA (fluticasone/salmeterol)	
GROWTH HORMONES AND ACH	ONDROPLASIA AGENTSCL/PA	
CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents repair PA form is present.	equire three-month trials of each preferred agent before the	y will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the
GENOTROPIN (somatropin) NORDITROPIN (somatropin)	HUMATROPE (somatropin) INCRELEX (mecasermin) NGENLA (somatrogon-ghla) NUTROPIN AQ (somatropin) OMNITROPE (somatropin) SAIZEN (somatropin) SEROSTIM (somatropin) SKYTROFA (lonapegsomatropin) SOGROYA (somapacitan-beco) VOXZOGO (vosoritide)* ZOMACTON (somatropin) ZORBTIVE (somatropin)	Patients already on a non-preferred agent will receive authorization to continue therapy on that agent for the duration of the existing PA. *Full PA criteria for Voxzogo may be found on the PA Criteria page by clicking the hyperlink.
H. PYLORI TREATMENT		
CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents rused at the recommended dosages, frequencie is present.	equire a trial of the combination of individual preferred comp s, and duration of the non-preferred agent before they will b	onents of the requested non-preferred agent and must be be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form
Please use individual components: 1. preferred PPI (omeprazole or pantoprazole) 2. amoxicillin 3. tetracycline capsules 4. metronidazole 5. clarithromycin 6. bismuth PYLERA (bismuth/metronidazole/tetracycline)	HELIDAC (bismuth/metronidazole/tetracycline) lansoprazole/amoxicillin/clarithromycin OMECLAMOX-PAK (omeprazole/amoxicillin/ clarithromycin) TALICIA (omeprazole/amoxicillin/rifabutin) tetracycline tablets VOQUEZNA DUAL PAK (vonoprazan/amoxicillin) VOQUEZNA TRIPLE PAK (vonoprazan/amoxicillin/ clarithromycin)	
HEART FAILURE TREATMENTS	o for the treatment of heart failure. Discuss as het all the large	and SCLT 2 agents
	e for the treatment of heart failure. Please see beta blockers	_
ENTRESTO (sacubitril/valsartan)*	ENTRESTO SPRINKLE CAPSULES (sacubitril/valsartan)** INPEFA (sotagliflozin)*** VERQUVO (vericiguat)****	*Entresto may be authorized only for patients greater than or equal to (≥) one year of age diagnosed with chronic heart failure **Entresto sprinkle capsules may be authorized for children who are one to nine years of age who are unable to ingest solid dosage forms. Therapy may be authorized for older patients with clinical documentation indicating oral-motor difficulties or dysphagia.

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PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
		***Inpefa may be authorized for an FDA approved indication AND clinical reasoning must be provided as to why the medical need cannot be met with a preferred SGLT2 agent.
		****Full PA criteria for Verquvo may be found on the PA Criteria page by clicking the hyperlink.
HEPATITIS B TREATMENTS		
form is present.	equire 90-day trials of each preferred agent before they will	
BARACLUDE SOLUTION (entecavir)* entecavir lamivudine HBV	adefovir BARACLUDE TABLETS (entecavir) EPIVIR HBV (lamivudine) HEPSERA (adefovir) VEMLIDY (tenofovir alafenamide)	*Baraclude <u>solution</u> will be authorized only for patients with documentation of dysphagia.
HEPATITIS C TREATMENTSCL/PA	, ,	
	erapy in this class, preferred regimens may be found on the men cannot be used.	PA Criteria page. Requests for non-preferred regimens
MAVYRET (pibrentasvir/glecaprevir)* ribavirin sofosbuvir/velpatasvir (labeler 72626)*	EPCLUSA (sofosbuvir/velpatasvir)* HARVONI (ledipasvir/sofosbuvir)* ledipasvir/sofosbuvir* PEGASYS (pegylated interferon) PEG-INTRON (pegylated interferon) RIBASPHERE RIBAPAK (ribavirin) RIBASPHERE 400 mg and 600 mg (ribavirin) SOVALDI (sofosbuvir)* VIEKIRA XR (dasabuvir/ombitasvir/paritaprevir/ritonavir)* VOSEVI (sofosbuvir/velpatasvir/voxilaprevir) ZEPATIER (elbasvir/grazoprevir)	*Full PA criteria may be found on the <u>PA Criteria</u> page by clicking the hyperlink.
HYPERPARATHYROID AGENTS	•	
	equire 30-day trials of each preferred agent before they will	be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA
cinacalcet paricalcitol capsules	doxercalciferol HECTOROL (doxercalciferol) paricalcitol injection RAYALDEE (calcifediol) SENSIPAR (cinacalcet) ZEMPLAR (paricalcitol)	

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PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
HYPERPHOSPHATEMIA AGENT	SAP	
CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents exceptions on the PA form is present.	require a 30-day trial of at least two preferred agents, one of	which must be sevelamer carbonate unless one of the
calcium acetate capsules CALPHRON (calcium acetate) MAGNEBIND RX (calcium carbonate/folic acid/magnesium carbonate) sevelamer carbonate	AURYXIA (ferric citrate) calcium acetate tablets FOSRENOL (lanthanum) lanthanum chewable tablets RENAGEL (sevelamer) RENVELA (sevelamer carbonate) sevelamer carbonate powder packet sevelamer HCI VELPHORO (sucroferric oxyhydroxide) XPHOZAH (tenapanor)*	*One additional 30-day trial of a non-preferred phosphate binder (such as ferric citrate, lanthanum, or Velphoro) is required prior to Xphozah approval.
HYPOGLYCEMIA TREATMENTS		
CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents	require clinical reasoning beyond convenience why the prefe	rred glucagon products cannot be used.
BAQSIMI SPRAY (glucagon) glucagon vial glucagon emergency kit GVOKE (glucagon) ZEGALOGUE (dasiglucagon)	GLUCAGEN HYPOKIT (glucagon)	
HYPOPARATHYROID AGENTS		
	YORVIPATH (palopegteriparatide)*	*Yorvipath may be approvable for adult patients diagnosed with hypoparathyroidism who have documentation supporting the inability to achieve disease control with conventional therapies such as prescribed calcium supplements and prescribed active forms of vitamin D.
IMMUNOMODULATORS, ATOPIC	DERMATITIS	
	require a 30-day trial of a medium-to-high potency topical cont. Requirement for topical corticosteroids may be excluded w	
ADBRY (tralokinumab)* DUPIXENT (dupilumab)* tacrolimus ointment	CIBINQO (abrocitinib)* EBGLYSS (lebrikizumab) EUCRISA (crisaborole) ^{AP**} NEMLUVIO (nemolizumab-ilto)* OPZELURA CREAM (ruxolitinib)* pimecrolimus cream ZORYVE 0.15% CREAM (roflumilast)***	*Full PA criteria may be found on the PA Criteria page by clicking the hyperlink **Eucrisa requires a 30-day trial of tacrolimus OR a medium to high potency corticosteroid unless contraindicated.

PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
		***Zoryve 0.15% cream for atopic dermatitis requires 30-day trials each of a medium to high potency topic corticosteroid AND tacrolimus ointment
MMUNOMODULATORS, GENITA	AL WARTS & ACTINIC KERATOSIS AGEN	TS
LASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents orm is present.	require 30-day trials of each preferred agent before they wi	ll be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA
CONDYLOX GEL (podofilox) FUDEX (fluorouracil) miquimod cream	ALDARA (imiquimod) CARAC (fluorouracil) diclofenac 3% gel fluorouracil 0.5% cream fluorouracil 5% cream imiquimod pump podofilox TOLAK (fluorouracil 4% cream) VEREGEN (sinecatechins) ZYCLARA CREAM, PUMP (imiquimod)*	*Zyclara will be authorized for a diagnosis of actinic keratosis.
MMUNOSUPPRESSIVES, ORAL	-	
CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents present.	require a 14-day trial of a preferred agent before they will b	e approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA for
azathioprine cyclosporine cyclosporine, modified mycophenolate mofetil sirolimus acrolimus capsules	ASTAGRAF XL (tacrolimus) CELLCEPT (mycophenolate mofetil) ENVARSUS XR (tacrolimus) everolimus tablets IMURAN (azathioprine) LUPKYNIS (voclosporin)* mycophenolic acid mycophenolic mofetil suspension MYFORTIC (mycophenolic acid) MYHIBBIN (mycophenolate mofetil suspension)*** NEORAL (cyclosporine, modified) PROGRAF (tacrolimus) RAPAMUNE (sirolimus) REZUROCK (belumosudil)** SANDIMMUNE (cyclosporine) ZORTRESS (everolimus)	*Lupkynis requires a 90-day trial of Benlysta prior to approval. Full PA criteria for Lupkynis may be found the PA Criteria page by clicking the hyperlink. **Rezurock may be authorized after a trial of two systemic treatments for chronic graft-versus-host disease. Examples of systemic therapy may include methylprednisolone, Imbruvica (ibrutinib capsules ar tablets), cyclosporine, tacrolimus, sirolimus, mycophenolate mofetil and imatinib. ***Myhibbin may be authorized for those who are unable to ingest solid dosage forms due to document oral-motor difficulties or dysphagia AND documentat is provided as to why the clinical need cannot be me with mycophenolate suspension.

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INTRANASAL RHINITIS AGENTS	AP	
CLASS PA CRITERIA: See below for individua	al subclass criteria.	
	ANTICHOLINERGICS	
ipratropium	ATROVENT (ipratropium)	Non-preferred agents require 30-day trials of one preferred nasal anti-cholinergic agent, AND one preferred antihistamine, AND one preferred intranasal corticosteroid agent before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.
	ANTIHISTAMINES	
azelastine olopatadine	PATANASE (olopatadine)	
	COMBINATIONS	
	azelastine/fluticasone DYMISTA (azelastine/fluticasone)* RYALTRIS (olopatadine HCI/mometasone)**	*Dymista requires a concurrent 30-day trial of each preferred component before it will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.
		**Ryaltris requires a 30-day trial of each individual component before it may be approved.
	CORTICOSTEROIDS	
fluticasone propionate OMNARIS (ciclesonide) QNASL HFA (beclomethasone) ZETONNA (ciclesonide)	BECONASE AQ (beclomethasone) flunisolide mometasone NASONEX (mometasone)	Non-preferred agents require 30-day trials of each preferred agent in this subclass before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.
	SHORT BOWEL SYNDROME/SELECTED	· ·
CLASS PA CRITERIA: All agents are approva	ble only for patients 18 years of age and older. See below t	or additional subclass criteria.
	CONSTIPATION	
LINZESS 145 mcg and 290 mcg (linaclotide) lubiprostone capsules MOVANTIK (naloxegol)	AMITIZA (lubiprostone) IBSRELA (tenapanor) LINZESS 72 mcg (linaclotide) MOTEGRITY (prucalopride) SYMPROIC (naldemedine)	No agent shall be approved to treat opioid induced constipation (OIC) without evidence of at least 90 days of opioid use preceding the request. Continuation of coverage shall be granted with evidence of continuous and concurrent opioid use.
		Agents may be authorized only for their FDA approved labeled indication. The following agent-specific criteria shall also apply, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present:
		<u>Ibsrela</u> requires 30-day trials of each preferred agent

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		for IBS-C, however for <u>males</u> , a trial of lubiprostone is not required.
		<u>Linzess 72 mcg</u> may only be approved for a diagnosis of chronic idiopathic constipation (CIC) AND for those who cannot tolerate the 145 mcg dose. Linzess may also be approvable for a diagnosis of functional constipation for pediatric patients six to 17 years of age.
		Motegrity requires a 30-day trial of both lubiprostone and Linzess.
		Symproic is indicated for OIC and requires 30-day trial of both Movantik and lubiprostone.
	DIARRHEA	
	alosetron LOTRONEX (alosetron) MYTESI (crofelemer) VIBERZI (eluxadoline)	Full PA criteria may be found on the PA Criteria page by clicking the hyperlink.
LAXATIVES AND CATHARTICS		
	equire trials of each preferred agent before they will be appr	oved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is
CLENPIQ (sodium picosulfate/magnesium oxide/citric acid) COLYTE GOLYTELY NULYTELY peg 3350 sod sulfate-pot sulf-mag sulf (generic SUPREP)	peg 3350-sod sulf-NaCL-KCL-asb powder SUFLAVE (peg 350-sod sulf, chl-pot-mag) SUPREP SUTAB (magnesium sulfate/potassium sulfate/sodium sulfate)	
LEUKOTRIENE MODIFIERS		
	equire 30-day trials of each preferred agent before they will	be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA
montelukast zafirlukast	ACCOLATE (zafirlukast) SINGULAIR (montelukast) zileuton ZYFLO (zileuton)	

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LIPOTROPICS, OTHER (Non-st		
CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agent is present.	s require a 12-week trial of a preferred agent before they wil	I be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form
	APOC-III-DIRECTED ASO	
	TRYNGOLZA (olezarsen)*	*Full criteria may be found on the <u>PA Criteria</u> page by clicking the hyperlink.
	BEMPEDOIC ACIDS	
	NEXLIZET (bempedoic acid/ezetimibe)* NEXLETOL (bempedoic acid)*	*Full criteria may be found on the <u>PA Criteria</u> page by clicking the hyperlink.
	BILE ACID SEQUESTRANTS ^{AP}	
cholestyramine colesevelam colestipol tablets	COLESTID (colestipol) colestipol granules QUESTRAN (cholestyramine) WELCHOL (colesevelam)*	*Welchol will be authorized for add-on therapy for Diabetes Mellitus Type II when there is a previous history of a 30-day trial of an oral agent (metformin, sulfonylurea, or thiazolidinedione (TZD)). See HYPOGLYCEMICS, MISCELLANEOUS.
	CHOLESTEROL ABSORPTION INHIBITOR	
ezetimibe	ZETIA (ezetimibe)	
	FATTY ACIDS	
omega-3 acid ethyl esters	icosapent ethyl capsules LOVAZA (omega-3-acid ethyl esters)	Icosapent ethyl capsules may be approved if the following criteria are met (A or B): A. The patient has a triglyceride level of at least 500 mg/dL and has previously completed at least a 12-week trial on omega-3 acid ethyl esters; OR B. The patient has an initial triglyceride level of at least 150 mg/dL; AND The patient has either established cardiovascular disease or diabetes; AND The patient will be concurrently receiving a statin.
	FIBRIC ACID DERIVATIVES ^{AP}	
fenofibrate 54 mg and 160 mg fenofibrate micronized 67 mg, 134 mg and 200 mg fenofibrate nanocrystallized 48 mg and 145 mg gemfibrozil	ANTARA (fenofibrate) fenofibrate 40 mg tablets fenofibrate 150 mg capsules fenofibrate 43 mg, 50 mg, 120 mg and 130 mg fenofibrate micronized 30 mg and 90 mg fenofibric acid FENOGLIDE (fenofibrate) FIBRICOR (fenofibric acid) LIPOFEN (fenofibrate) LOPID (gemfibrozil) TRICOR (fenofibrate nanocrystallized)	

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	TRILIPIX (fenofibric acid)	
	MTP INHIBITORS	
	JUXTAPID (lomitapide)*	*Full PA criteria may be found on the PA Criteria page by clicking the hyperlink.
	PCSK-9 INHIBITORS	
PRALUENT (alirocumab)* REPATHA (evolocumab)*	LEQVIO (inclisiran)*	*Full PA criteria may be found on the PA Criteria page by clicking the hyperlink.
LIPOTROPICS, STATINS ^{AP}		
CLASS PA CRITERIA: See below for indivi	dual subclass criteria.	
	STATINS	
atorvastatin lovastatin pravastatin rosuvastatin simvastatin**	ALTOPREV (lovastatin) ATORVALIQ (atorvastatin)*** CRESTOR (rosuvastatin) EZALLOR SPRINKLE (rosuvastatin)* fluvastatin fluvastatin ER LESCOL XL (fluvastatin) LIPITOR (atorvastatin) LIVALO (pitavastatin) PRAVACHOL (pravastatin) ZOCOR (simvastatin)** ZYPITAMAG (pitavastatin)	Non-preferred agents require 12-week trials of two preferred agents, including the generic formulation of the requested non-preferred agent, before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present. *Ezallor sprinkle will only be authorized for those who are unable to ingest solid dosage forms due to documented oral-motor difficulties or dysphagia. **Zocor/simvastatin 80 mg tablets will require a clinical PA. ***Atorvaliq may be authorized for children who are six to 10 years of age who are unable to ingest solid dosage forms. Therapy may be authorized for older patients with clinical documentation indicating oral-motor difficulties or dysphagia.
	STATIN COMBINATIONS	
	amlodipine/atorvastatin CADUET (atorvastatin/amlodipine) ezetimibe/simvastatin* VYTORIN (simvastatin/ezetimibe)*	Non-preferred agents require 30-day concurrent trials of the corresponding preferred single agents before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.
		*Vytorin will be authorized only after an insufficient response to a 12-week trial of the maximum tolerable dose of atorvastatin or rosuvastatin, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present. Vytorin 80/10 mg tablets will require a clinical PA.
MABS, ANTI-IL/IgE		

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PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents the PA Criteria page by clicking the link.	require 90-day trials of all preferred agents which are indicate	ed for the diagnosis. Full PA Criteria may be found on
DUPIXENT (dupilumab) FASENRA (benralizumab) NUCALA AUTOINJECTOR, SYRINGE (mepolizumab) XOLAIR VIAL (omalizumab)	NUCALA VIAL (mepolizumab) TEZSPIRE (tezepelumab-ekko) XOLAIR SYRINGES (omalizumab)	
MAJOR ADVERSE CARDIOVASO	CULAR EVENT (MACE) REDUCTION AGEN	ITS, GLP-1 AGONISTS
CLASS PA CRITERIA: *Full PA criteria may b	e found on the <u>PA Criteria</u> page by clicking the hyperlink.	
WEGOVY		
MACROLIDES		
CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents form is present.	require a five-day trial of each preferred agent before they w	ill be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA
	MACROLIDES	
azithromycin packet, suspension, tablets clarithromycin tablets	clarithromycin ER clarithromycin suspension E.E.S. (erythromycin ethylsuccinate) ERYPED (erythromycin ethylsuccinate) ERY-TAB (erythromycin) ERYTHROCIN (erythromycin stearate) erythromycin tablets/capsules DR erythromycin tablets erythromycin estolate ZITHROMAX (azithromycin)	
	SOCIATED STEATOHEPATITIS (MASH), G	LP-1 AGONISTS
·	e found on the PA Criteria page by clicking the hyperlink.	
WEGOVY		
MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS AGENTS		
	require 90-day trials of two chemically unique preferred age	nts (in the same subclass) before they will be approved,
	INTERFERONS ^{AP}	
AVONEX (interferon beta-1a) AVONEX PEN (interferon beta-1a) BETASERON (interferon beta-1b) REBIF (interferon beta-1a) REBIF REBIDOSE (interferon beta-1a)	EXTAVIA KIT (interferon beta-1b) EXTAVIA VIAL (interferon beta-1b) PLEGRIDY (peginterferon beta-1a)	

NON-INTERFERONS

AMPYRA (dalfampridine) AUBAGIO (teriflunomide)

COPAXONE 20 mg (glatiramer) dalfampridine ER

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*Kesimpta may be approved with documentation of treatment failure/inadequate treatment response after a

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dimethyl fumarate fingolimod KESIMPTA INJECTION (ofatumumab)* teriflunomide	BAFIERTAM CAPSULES (monomethyl fumarate) COPAXONE 40 mg (glatiramer)** GILENYA (fingolimod) glatiramer GLATOPA (glatiramer) MAVENCLAD (cladribine) MAYZENT (siponimod)*** PONVORY (ponesimod) TASCENSO ODT (fingolimod lauryl sulfate) TECFIDERA (dimethyl fumarate)*** VUMERITY (diroximel fumarate) ZEPOSIA (ozanimod)	90-day trial of at least one preferred MS agent. Documentation of a negative Hepatitis B test must be provided. **Copaxone 40 mg will only be authorized for documented injection site issues. ***Mayzent may be authorized with no additional requirement beyond the diagnosis for patients with documented secondary progressive MS.	
NEUROPATHIC PAIN			

approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.

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capsaicin (OTC) duloxetine gabapentin lidocaine patch 5% LYRICA CAPSULES, SOLUTION (pregabalin) pregabalin capsules	CYMBALTA (duloxetine) DRIZALMA SPRINKLE (duloxetine)* gabapentin ER (generic Gralise) GRALISE (gabapentin)** HORIZANT (gabapentin)*** lidocaine patch 4% LIDODERM (lidocaine) LYRICA CR (pregabalin)**** NEURONTIN (gabapentin) pregabalin ER tablets (generic LYRICA CR) pregabalin solution SAVELLA (milnacipran)***** ZTLIDO PATCH (lidocaine)	*Drizalma sprinkle will only be authorized for those who are unable to ingest solid dosage forms due to documented oral-motor difficulties or dysphagia. **Gralise will be authorized only if the following criteria are met: 1. Diagnosis of postherpetic neuralgia; AND 2. Trial of a tricyclic antidepressant for at least 30-days; AND 3. Ninety-day trial of gabapentin immediate release formulation (positive response without adequate duration); AND 4. The request is for once daily dosing with 1800 mg maximum daily dosage. ***Full PA criteria may be found on the PA Criteria page by clicking the hyperlink. ****Lyrica CR requires medical reasoning beyond convenience as to why the need cannot be met using preferred pregabalin capsules. ****Savella will be authorized for a diagnosis of fibromyalgia only after a 90-day trial of one preferred agent.
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PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
CLASS PA CRITERIA: See below for subcla	ass PA criteria.	
	NON-SELECTIVE	
diclofenac (IR, SR) flurbiprofen ibuprofen capsules, chewable tablets, suspension, tablets (Rx, OTC) indomethacin ketoprofen ketorolac meloxicam tablets nabumetone naproxen sodium capsules, tablets naproxen sodium DS tablets piroxicam sulindac	DAYPRO (oxaprozin) diclofenac potassium capsules, tablets diflunisal DUEXIS (famotidine/ibuprofen) EC-naproxen DR tablets etodolac IR etodolac SR famotidine/ibuprofen FELDENE (piroxicam) fenoprofen INDOCIN SUSPENSION (indomethacin) INDOCIN SUPPOSITORIES (indomethacin) indomethacin ER ketoprofen ER ketorolac spray LOFENA (diclofenac) meclofenamate mefenamic acid meloxicam submicronized capsules (generic VIVLODEX) meloxicam suspension MOBIC TABLETS (meloxicam) NALFON (fenoprofen) NAPRELAN (naproxen) naproxen suspension naproxen CR oxaprozin RELAFEN DS (nabumetone) SPRIX (ketorolac) TIVORBEX (indomethacin) tolmetin VIVLODEX (meloxicam) VOLTAREN (diclofenac) ZIPSOR (diclofenac potassium) ZORVOLEX (diclofenac)	Non-preferred agents require 30-day trials of each preferred agent before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.
	NSAID/GI PROTECTANT COMBINATIONS	
	ARTHROTEC (diclofenac/misoprostol) diclofenac/misoprostol ibuprofen/famotidine naproxen/esomeprazole VIMOVO (naproxen/esomeprazole)	Non-preferred agents are only available on appeal and require medical reasoning beyond convenience as to why the need cannot be met with the combination of preferred single agents.

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PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
	COX-II SELECTIVE	
celecoxib	CELEBREX (celecoxib)	
	TOPICAL	
diclofenac gel (Rx)*	diclofenac patch diclofenac solution LICART PATCH (diclofenac) PENNSAID (diclofenac)	Non-preferred agents require a 30-day trial of the preferred topical agent and 30-day trials of each preferred oral NSAID before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.
OBSTRUCTIVE SLEEP APNEA AG	CENTO	*Diclofenac gel will be limited to 100 grams per month.
CLASS PA CRITERIA:	JLIVIO	
ZEPBOUND (tirzepatide)*		*Full criteria may be found on the <u>PA Criteria</u> page by clicking the hyperlink.
OPHTHALMIC ANTIBIOTICSAP		
form is present.	equire three-day trials of each preferred agent before they	will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA
bacitracin/polymyxin ointment ciprofloxacin* erythromycin gentamicin moxifloxacin* neomycin/bacitracin/polymyxin ofloxacin* polymyxin/trimethoprim tobramycin TOBREX OINTMENT (tobramycin)	AZASITE (azithromycin) bacitracin BESIVANCE (besifloxacin)* BLEPH-10 (sulfacetamide) CILOXAN (ciprofloxacin)* gatifloxacin* neomycin/polymyxin/gramicidin OCUFLOX (ofloxacin)* POLYTRIM (polymyxin/trimethoprim) sulfacetamide drops sulfacetamide ointment TOBREX (tobramycin) VIGAMOX (moxifloxacin)* XDEMVY (lotilaner)** ZYMAXID (gatifloxacin)*	*Prior authorization of any fluoroquinolone agent requires three-day trials of all other preferred agents unless definitive laboratory cultures exist indicating the need to use a fluoroquinolone. **Xdemvy may be authorized for the treatment of demodex blepharitis without further restrictions.
OPHTHALMIC ANTIBIOTIC/STER	OID COMBINATIONS ^{AP}	
CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents require three-day trials of each preferred agent before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.		
MAXITROL OINTMENT, SUSPENSION (neomycin/polymyxin/dexamethasone) neomycin/bacitracin/polymyxin/hydrocortisone neomycin/polymyxin/dexamethasone PRED-G SUSPENSION (prednisolone/gentamicin) sulfacetamide/prednisolone	neomycin/polymyxin/hydrocortisone PRED-G OINTMENT (prednisolone/gentamicin)	

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CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents require 30-day trials of three preferred chemically-unique agents before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.

ALAWAY (ketotifen) ALOCRIL (nedocromil) ALOMIDE (lodoxamide) ALREX (loteprednol) azelastine bepotastine BEPREVE (bepotastine) epinastine cromolyn loteprednol EYSUVIS (loteprednol) LUMIFY (brimonidine) olopatadine 0.1% ketotifen

ZADITOR (OTC) (ketotifen) olopatadine 0.2%

PATADAY ONCE and TWICE DAILY (olopatadine)

ZERVIATE (cetirizine)

OPHTHALMICS, ANTI-INFLAMMATORIES

CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents require five-day trials of at least two preferred agents before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present. Trials must include at least one agent with the same mechanism of action as the requested non-preferred agent.

dexamethasone ACULAR (ketorolac) diclofenac ACULAR LS (ketorolac) DUREZOL (difluprednate) ACUVAIL (ketorolac tromethamine) FLAREX (fluorometholone) bromfenac FML (fluorometholone) BROMSITE (bromfenac) FML FORTE (fluorometholone) difluprednate FML S.O.P. (fluorometholone) fluorometholone ketorolac flurbiprofen

LOTEMAX GEL, OINTMENT, SUSPENSION ILEVRO (nepafenac) (loteprednol) INVELTYS (loteprednol)

MAXIDEX (dexamethasone) LOTEMAX SM (loteprednol etabonate)

NEVANAC (nepafenac) loteprednol drops, ael PRED FORTE (prednisolone) OMNIPRED (prednisolone) PRED MILD (prednisolone) OZURDEX (dexamethasone) prednisolone acetate PROLENSA (bromfenac) prednisolone sodium phosphate RETISERT (fluocinolone) TRIESENCE (triamcinolone)

	THERAPEUTIC DRUG CLASS	
PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
OPHTHALMICS, GLAUCOMA A	GENTS	
CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agent	s will only be authorized if there is an allergy to all preferred	agents in the corresponding subclass.
	COMBINATION AGENTS	
COMBIGAN (brimonidine/timolol) dorzolamide/timolol SIMBRINZA (brinzolamide/brimonidine)	brimonidine-timolol COSOPT PF (dorzolamide/timolol)	
	BETA BLOCKERS	
BETOPTIC S (betaxolol) carteolol levobunolol timolol drops	betaxolol ISTALOL (timolol) timolol gel TIMOPTIC (timolol)	
	CARBONIC ANHYDRASE INHIBITORS	
AZOPT (brinzolamide) dorzolamide	brinzolamide TRUSOPT (dorzolamide)	
	PARASYMPATHOMIMETICS	
pilocarpine		
	PROSTAGLANDIN ANALOGS	
latanoprost TRAVATAN-Z (travoprost)	bimatoprost IYUZEH (latanoprost) LUMIGAN (bimatoprost) tafluprost travoprost VYZULTA (latanoprostene)* XALATAN (latanoprost) XELPROS (latanoprost) ZIOPTAN (tafluprost)	*Vyzulta prior authorization requires failure on a three- month trial of at least one preferred prostaglandin eye drop used in combination with an agent from another subclass.
	RHO-KINASE INHIBITORS	
RHOPRESSA (netarsudil) ROCKLATAN (netarsudil/latanoprost)		
	SYMPATHOMIMETICS	
ALPHAGAN P SOLUTION (brimonidine) brimonidine 0.2%	apraclonidine brimonidine 0.15% IOPIDINE (apraclonidine)	
OPIATE DEPENDENCE TREAT	MENTS	
CLASS PA CRITERIA: Bunavail and Zubsol tablets.	v may only be approved with a documented intolerance or	allergy to Suboxone films AND buprenorphine/naloxone
BRIXADI (buprenorphine) ^{CL/PA} buprenorphine/naloxone tablets KLOXXADO SPRAY (naloxone) naloxone cartridge/syringe/vial	BUNAVAIL (buprenorphine/naloxone) buprenorphine tablets buprenorphine/naloxone film lofexidine	*Full PA criteria may be found on the <u>PA Criteria</u> page by clicking the hyperlink.

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naloxone nasal spray (OTC) NARCAN NASAL SPRAY (naloxone) OPVEE (nalmefene) REXTOVY NASAL SPRAY (naloxone) SUBLOCADE (buprenorphine solution) ^{CL/PA} SUBOXONE FILM (buprenorphine/naloxone) VIVITROL (naltrexone)	LUCEMYRA (lofexidine)* naloxone nasal spray (Rx) ZIMHI (naloxone hydrochloride) ZUBSOLV (buprenorphine/naloxone)	

ORAL AND TOPICAL CONTRACEPTIVES

CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents require a trial with three preferred contraceptive products including a trial with a preferred product with the same route of administration as the requested non-preferred agent before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.

of administration as the requested non-preferre	d agent before they will be approved, unless one of the exce	
AFIRMELLE	ALYACEN	*Phexxi may be approvable when it is prescribed for the
ALTAVERA	AMETHIA 3 MONTH	prevention of pregnancy; AND reasoning is provided as
AMETHYST	ARANELLE	to why the clinical need cannot be met with a preferred
APRI	ASHLYNA 3 MONTH	agent. Phexxi will not be approved for use by patients who are also using hormonal contraceptive vaginal
AUBRA	AUROVELA 24 FE	rings.
AUBRA EQ	AUROVELA FE	Tiligo.
AUROVELA	BALCOLTRA	
AVIANE	BLISOVI 24 FE	
AYUNA	BRIELLYN	
AZURETTE	CAMRESE LO 3 MONTH	
BALZIVA	CHARLOTTE 24 FE CHEWABLE TABLETS	
BEYAZ	CRYSELLE	
BLISOVI FE	CURAE	
CAMILA	DASETTA	
CAMRESE 3 MONTH	DAYSEE 3 MONTH	
CHATEAL	drospirenone-ethinyl estradiol-levomefolate	
CHATEAL EQ	ECONTRA EZ	
CYRED	ECONTRA ONE-STEP	
CYRED EQ	ELINEST	
DEBLITANE	ELLA	
desogestrel-ethinyl estradiol	ENPRESSE	
desogestrel-ethinyl estradiol/ethinyl estradiol	ethynodiol-ethinyl estradiol	
DOLISHALE	FAYOSIM 3 MONTH	
drospirenone-ethinyl estradiol	FINZALA	
ENSKYCE	GEMMILY	
ERRIN	HAILEY	
ESTARYLLA	HAILEY 24 FE	
FALMINA	ICLEVIA 3 MONTH	
HAILEY FE	INTROVALE 3 MONTH	

THERAPEUTIC DRUG CLASS		
PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
HEATHER	JAIMIESS 3 MONTH	
HER STYLE	JASMIEL	
INCASSIA	JOYEAUX	
ISIBLOOM	JUNEL	
JENCYCLA	JUNEL FE 24	
JOLESSA 3 MONTH	KAITLIB FE	
JULEBER	KALLIGA	
JUNEL FE	KELNOR 1-35	
KARIVA	KELNOR 1-50	
KURVELO	LARIN	
LARIN FE	LARIN 24 FE	
LESSINA	LAYOLIS FE CHEWABLE TABLETS	
LEVONEST	LEENA	
levonorgestrel	levonorgestrel-ethinyl estradiol 3 month (generic	
levonorgestrel-ethinyl estradiol	JOLESSA)	
levonorgestrel-ethinyl estradiol 3 month	LEVORA-28	
(generic LOSEASONIQUE)	LOESTRIN	
levonorgestrel-ethinyl estradiol-ferrous	LOESTRIN FE	
bisglycinate	LOJAIMIESS 3 MONTH	
LILLOW	LOSEASONIQUE 3 MONTH	
LO LOESTRIN FE	LOW-OGESTREL	
LORYNA	LO-ZUMANDIMINE	
LUTERA	MERZEE	
LYLEQ	MICROGESTIN	
LYZA	MICROGESTIN 24 FE	
MARLISSA	MINASTRIN 24 FE CHEWABLE TABLETS	
MIBELAS 24 FE	MINZOYA	
MICROGESTIN FE	MIRCETTE	
MILI	NECON	
MONO-LINYAH	NEXTSTELLIS	
MY CHOICE	norethindrone-ethinyl estradiol-iron capsules	
MY WAY	norethindrone-ethinyl estradiol-iron chewable	
NATAZIA	tablets	
NEW DAY	NORTREL	
NIKKI	OPTION 2	
NORA-BE	PHEXXI VAGINAL GEL*	
norethindrone	PHILITH	
norethindrone-ethinyl estradiol-iron tablets	PIMTREA	

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PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
norethindrone-ethinyl estradiol norgestimate-ethinyl estradiol NORLYDA NYLIA NYMYO OCELLA OPCICON ONE-STEP PORTIA SHAROBEL SIMLIYA SPRINTEC SRONYX TARINA FE TARINA FE TARINA FE TARINA FE 1-20 EQ TAYTULLA TRI-ESTARYLLA	QUARTETTE RECLIPSEN RIVELSA 3 MONTH SAFYRAL SEASONIQUE 3 MONTH SETLAKIN 3 MONTH SIMPESSE 3 MONTH SLYND SYEDA TARINA 24 FE TAYSOFY TILIA FE TRI-LEGEST FE TRIVORA-28 TURQOZ TYBLUME CHEWABLE TABLETS	
TRI FEMYNOR TRI-LINYAH TRI-LO-ESTARYLLA TRI-LO-MARZIA TRI-LO-MILI TRI-LO-SPRINTEC TRI-MILI TRI-NYMYO TRI-SPRINTEC TRI-VYLIBRA TRI-VYLIBRA	TYDEMY VELIVET VESTURA VYFEMLA WERA WYMZYA FE CHEWABLE TABLETS XULANE PATCH	
TULANA TWIRLA PATCH VIENVA VIORELE VOLNEA VYLIBRA YASMIN-28 YAZ ZAFEMY PATCH ZOVIA 1-35 ZOVIA 1-35E		

THERAPEUTIC DRUG CLASS		
PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
ZUMANDIMINE		
OTIC ANTIBIOTICSAP		
	equire five-day trials of each preferred agent before they wil	I be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA
CIPRO HC (ciprofloxacin/hydrocortisone) ciprofloxacin/dexamethasone CORTISPORIN-TC (colistin/hydrocortisone/neomycin) neomycin/polymyxin/HC solution, suspension ofloxacin	ciprofloxacin ciprofloxacin/fluocinolone OTOVEL (ciprofloxacin/fluocinolone)	
PAH AGENTS ^{CL/PA}		
	equire a 30-day trial of a preferred agent before they will be	approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is
	ACTIVIN SIGNALING INHIBITOR	
	WINREVAIR (sotatercept-csrk)*	*Full PA criteria may be found on the PA Criteria page by clicking the hyperlink.
	COMBINATIONS	
	OPSYNVI (macitentan/tadalafil)*	*Opsynvi requires review by the Medical Director and is available only on appeal.
	ENDOTHELIN RECEPTOR ANTAGONISTS	
bosentan LETAIRIS (ambrisentan)	ambrisentan OPSUMIT (macitentan) TRACLEER SUSPENSION (bosentan)	
	GUANYLATE CYCLASE INHIBITORS	
	ADEMPAS (riociguat)*	*Adempas requires a 30-day trial of a preferred agent from any other PAH Class before it may be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.
Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension (PAH) AGENTS – PDE5s		
sildenafil tablets	ADCIRCA (tadalafil) LIQREV (sildenafil)* REVATIO IV (sildenafil) REVATIO TABLETS (sildenafil) sildenafil suspension (generic REVATIO)** TADLIQ SUSPENSION (tadalafil)***	*Liqrev may be authorized for those who are unable to ingest solid dosage forms due to documented oral-motor difficulties or dysphagia AND documentation is provided as to why the clinical need cannot be met with sildenafil suspension. **Sildenafil suspension may be authorized for those
		who are unable to ingest solid dosage forms due to documented oral-motor difficulties or dysphagia.

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PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
		***Tadliq may be authorized for those who are unable to ingest solid dosage forms due to documented oralmotor difficulties or dysphagia AND after a 30-day trial of sildenafil suspension resulting in an inadequate treatment response.
	PAH AGENTS – PROSTACYCLINS	
epoprostenol (generic FLOLAN) epoprostenol (generic VELETRI) VENTAVIS (iloprost)*	FLOLAN (epoprostenol) ORENITRAM ER (treprostinil) REMODULIN (treprostinil sodium) treprostinil (generic REMODULIN) TYVASO (treprostinil) TYVASO DPI (treprostinil) UPTRAVI (selexipag) VELETRI (epoprostenol)	*Ventavis will only be authorized for the treatment of pulmonary artery hypertension (WHO Group 1) in patients with NYHA Class III or IV symptoms.
PANCREATIC ENZYMESAP		
	equire a 30-day trial of a preferred agent before they will be	approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is
present. For members with cystic fibrosis, a trial CREON PERTZYE ZENPEP	VIOKACE	
PITUITARY SUPPRESSIVE AGEN	TS, LHRH ^{CL/PA}	
	, non-preferred agents are available only on appeal.	
FENSOLVI SYRINGE (leuprolide acetate) LUPANETA (leuprolide) LUPRON DEPOT KIT (leuprolide) LUPRON DEPOT-PED KIT (leuprolide) MYFEMBREE (relugolix/estradiol/ norethindrone)* ORILISSA (elagolix)* SYNAREL (nafarelin) TRELSTAR (triptorelin) TRIPTODUR (triptorelin)	leuprolide ORIAHNN (elagolix/estradiol/norethindrone)* SUPPRELIN LA KIT (histrelin)	*Full PA criteria for Myfembree, Orilissa and Oriahnn may be found on the PA Criteria page by clicking the hyperlink. In addition, Orilissa and Oriahnn may only be approved if there is a documented side effect, allergy, or treatment failure with Myfembree. Use of GnRH receptor antagonists will be limited to 24 months.
PLATELET AGGREGATION INHIB	SITORS	
	equire a 30-day trial of a preferred agent before they will be	approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is
BRILINTA (ticagrelor) clopidogrel dipyridamole prasugrel	clopidogrel kit dipyridamole/aspirin EFFIENT (prasugrel) PLAVIX (clopidogrel) ZONTIVITY (vorapaxar)	

THERAPEUTIC DRUG CLASS **PA CRITERIA** PREFERRED AGENTS NON-PREFERRED AGENTS POTASSIUM REMOVING AGENTS CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents require a 30-day trial of a preferred agent before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present. KIONEX (sodium polystyrene sulfonate) LOKELMA (sodium zirconium cyclosilicate) SPS (sodium polystyrene sulfonate) VELTASSA (patiromer calcium sorbitex) PROGESTINS FOR CACHEXIA CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents require a 30-day trial of a preferred agent before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present. megestrol PROTON PUMP INHIBITORSAP CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents require 60-day trials of both omeprazole (Rx) and pantoprazole at the maximum recommended dose, inclusive of a concurrent 30-day trial at the maximum dose of an H₂ antagonist before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present. omeprazole (Rx) ACIPHEX (rabeprazole) *Prior authorization is required for members nine years pantoprazole tablets ACIPHEX SPRINKLE (rabeprazole) of age or older for these agents. PROTONIX GRANULES (pantoprazole)* DEXILANT (dexlansoprazole) dexlansoprazole DR capsules **Voquezna (vonoprazan) is NOT a PROTON PUMP esomeprazole magnesium INHIBITOR but will remain on the PDL in this class due KONVOMEP (omeprazole/sodium bicarbonate) to similar indications. lansoprazole (Rx) NEXIUM (esomeprazole) NEXIUM PACKETS (esomeprazole) omeprazole/sodium bicarbonate (Rx) pantoprazole granule packets PREVACID CAPSULES (lansoprazole) PREVACID SOLUTABS (lansoprazole)* PRILOSEC (Rx) (omegrazole) PROTONIX DR TABLETS (pantoprazole) Rabeprazole VOQUEZNA (vonoprazan)** ZEGERID (Rx) (omeprazole/sodium bicarbonate) SEDATIVE HYPNOTICSAP CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents require 30-day trials of all preferred agents in BOTH subclasses before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present. All agents except melatonin will be limited to 15 tablets in a 30-day period. NOTE: WV Medicaid covers melatonin up to a maximum dose of 9 mg/day without a PA. Melatonin labeler code 51645 is preferred. Please refer to the posted Covered OTC Products for a complete list of payable NDCs. **BENZODIAZEPINES** temazepam 15 mg and 30 mg estazolam

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flurazepam

HALCION (triazolam) RESTORIL (temazepam) temazepam 7.5 mg and 22.5 mg

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PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
	triazolam	
	OTHERS	
BELSOMRA (suvorexant)** melatonin ROZEREM (ramelteon) zolpidem 5 mg and 10 mg	AMBIEN (zolpidem) AMBIEN CR (zolpidem) DAYVIGO (lemborexant) doxepin 3 mg and 6 mg EDLUAR (zolpidem) eszopiclone HETLIOZ (tasimelteon) ^{CL*} LUNESTA (eszopiclone) QUVIVIQ (daridorexant) ramelteon SILENOR (doxepin) tasimelteon zaleplon zolpidem ER 6.25 mg and 12.5 mg	For treatment naïve female patients, zolpidem and zolpidem ER maximum dosages will be limited to 5 mg and 6.25 mg respectively per day. *Full PA criteria may be found on the PA Criteria page by clicking the hyperlink. **Belsomra may be approved after a trial of zolpidem or temazepam, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.
SKELETAL MUSCLE RELAXANTS CLASS PA CRITERIA: See below for individua	_	
CEACO FA CITAL COS BOIOW IOI III AIVI AUG	ACUTE MUSCULOSKELETAL RELAXANT AGEN	TS
chlorzoxazone (generic PARAFON FORTE) cyclobenzaprine IR 5 mg and 10 mg methocarbamol	AMRIX (cyclobenzaprine) carisoprodol* carisoprodol/ASA* carisoprodol/ASA/codeine* chlorzoxazone (generic LORZONE) cyclobenzaprine ER cyclobenzaprine IR 7.5 mg FEXMID (cyclobenzaprine) LORZONE (chlorzoxazone) metaxalone orphenadrine orphenadrine ER ROBAXIN (methocarbamol) SKELAXIN (metaxalone) SOMA (carisoprodol)* TANLOR (methocarbamol)	Non-preferred agents require 30-day trials of each preferred agent before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present, with the exception of carisoprodol. *Carisoprodol requires 30-day trials of each of the preferred acute musculoskeletal relaxants and metaxalone before it will be approved.
-	IUSCULOSKELETAL RELAXANT AGENTS USED FOR S	
baclofen tizanidine tablets	baclofen solution*, suspension DANTRIUM (dantrolene) dantrolene FLEQSUVY SUSPENSION (baclofen)* LYVISPAH GRANULE PACKETS (baclofen)*	Non-preferred agents require 30-day trials of each preferred agent before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.

THERAPEUTIC DRUG CLASS		
PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
	tizanidine capsules ZANAFLEX (tizanidine)	*Oral baclofen solution/suspension, Fleqsuvy suspension and Lyvispah granules may only be authorized for those who are unable to ingest solid dosage forms due to documented oral-motor difficulties or dysphagia.
STEROIDS, TOPICAL		

CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents require five-day trials of one form of **EACH** preferred unique active ingredient in the corresponding potency group before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.

VERY HIGH & HIGH POTENCY

	V2.K. 111.611 & 111.611 & 112.161	
betamethasone dipropionate cream	amcinonide	
betamethasone valerate cream	APEXICON E (diflorasone diacetate)	
betamethasone valerate lotion	betamethasone dipropionate gel, lotion, ointment	
betamethasone valerate ointment	BRYHALI LOTION (halobetasol)	
clobetasol emollient	clobetasol lotion	
clobetasol propionate cream, gel, ointment,	clobetasol propionate foam, spray	
solution	CLODAN KIT (clobetasol propionate)	
clobetasol propionate shampoo	CLODAN SHAMPOO (clobetasol propionate)	
fluocinonide gel	desoximetasone cream, gel, ointment, spray	
triamcinolone acetonide cream, ointment	diflorasone diacetate	
triamcinolone acetonide lotion	DIPROLENE (betamethasone dipropionate/	
	propylene glycol)	
	fluocinonide cream	
	fluocinonide ointment	
	fluocinonide solution	
	fluocinonide/emollient	
	halcinonide cream	
	halobetasol propionate	
	HALOG (halcinonide)	
	IMPEKLO LOTION (clobetasol propionate)	
	KENALOG (triamcinolone acetonide)	
	LEXETTE FOAM (halobetasol)	
	OLUX (clobetasol propionate)	
	OLUX-E (clobetasol propionate emulsion)	
	PSORCON (diflorasone diacetate)	
	TEMOVATE (clobetasol propionate)	
	TOPICORT CREAM, GEL, OINTMENT	
	(desoximetasone)	
	TOPICORT SPRAY (desoximetasone)	
	TOVET FOAM (clobetasol)	
	ULTRAVATE (halobetasol propionate)	
	ULTRAVATE PAC cream	
	VANOS (fluocinonide)	
	MEDIUM POTENCY	

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PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
fluticasone propionate cream, ointment mometasone furoate triamcinolone acetonide 0.025% and 0.1% cream	BESER LOTION (fluticasone) betamethasone valerate foam clocortolone cream CLODERM (clocortolone pivalate) CORDRAN (flurandrenolide) CUTIVATE (fluticasone propionate) fluocinolone acetonide cream, ointment, solution flurandrenolide cream, lotion, ointment fluticasone propionate lotion hydrocortisone butyrate cream hydrocortisone butyrate ointment, solution hydrocortisone valerate LOCOID (hydrocortisone butyrate) LOCOID LIPOCREAM (hydrocortisone butyrate/ emollient) LUXIQ (betamethasone valerate) PANDEL (hydrocortisone probutate) prednicarbate	
	LOW POTENCY	
fluocinolone oil hydrocortisone acetate (Rx, OTC) hydrocortisone cream (Rx, OTC) hydrocortisone lotion hydrocortisone ointment (Rx, OTC) hydrocortisone solution (OTC) hydrocortisone-aloe cream (OTC) hydrocortisone-aloe ointment (OTC)	alclometasone dipropionate AQUA GLYCOLIC HC (hydrocortisone) DERMA-SMOOTHE FS (fluocinolone acetonide) DESONATE (desonide) desonide cream, ointment desonide lotion hydrocortisone/mineral oil/petrolatum hydrocortisone acetate/urea hydrocortisone/aloe gel SCALPICIN (OTC) (hydrocortisone) SYNALAR (fluocinolone) TEXACORT (hydrocortisone)	
agent in the same subclass and with a similar	GENTS s required for adults 18 years of age or older. Non-preferred aduration of effect and mechanism of action, unless one of the thing therapy at the discretion of the prescriber.	agents require a 30-day trial of at least one preferred e exceptions on the PA form is present. NOTE : Children
	AMPHETAMINES	
ADDERALL XR (amphetamine salt combination) amphetamine salt combination ER	ADDERALL (amphetamine salt combination) ADZENYS XR ODT (amphetamine) ADZENYS ER SUSPENSION (amphetamine)	In addition to the Class Criteria: 30-day trials of at least three antidepressants are required before amphetamines will be authorized for depression.

ADZENYS ER SUSPENSION (amphetamine) amphetamine tablets

amphetamine salt combination ER amphetamine salt combination IR dextroamphetamine ER dextroamphetamine IR

DESOXYN (methamphetamine)
DEXEDRINE ER (dextroamphetamine)

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PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
DYANAVEL XR SUSPENSION (amphetamine) PROCENTRA SOLUTION (dextroamphetamine)	dextroamphetamine solution DYANAVEL XR TABLETS (amphetamine) EVEKEO (amphetamine) EVEKEO ODT (amphetamine) lisdexamfetamine methamphetamine MYDAYIS (dextroamphetamine/amphetamine salt)* VYVANSE CHEWABLE TABLETS (lisdexamfetamine) VYVANSE CAPSULES (lisdexamfetamine) XELSTRYM PATCHES (dextroamphetamine) ZENZEDI (dextroamphetamine)	*Mydayis requires a 30-day trial of at least one long- acting preferred agent in this subclass and a trial of Adderall XR.
	NON-AMPHETAMINE	
atomoxetine* clonidine IR clonidine ER CONCERTA (methylphenidate) dexmethylphenidate IR dexmethylphenidate XR guanfacine ER guanfacine IR methylphenidate IR methylphenidate CD capsules methylphenidate ER 24 tablets (generic CONCERTA) methylphenidate ER tablets (generic RITALIN SR) methylphenidate ER CD capsules methylphenidate ER CD capsules methylphenidate Solution QUILLICHEW ER (methylphenidate) QUILLIVANT XR (methylphenidate) RITALIN LA (methylphenidate)	ADHANSIA XR (methylphenidate) APTENSIO XR (methylphenidate) AZSTARYS (dexmethylphenidate/ serdexmethylphenidate) COTEMPLA XR ODT (methylphenidate) DAYTRANA (methylphenidate) FOCALIN IR (dexmethylphenidate) FOCALIN XR (dexmethylphenidate) INTUNIV (guanfacine ER) JORNAY PM (methylphenidate) METHYLIN SOLUTION (methylphenidate) methylphenidate chewable tablets methylphenidate ER capsules methylphenidate ER 12 mg tablets methylphenidate ER LA capsules methylphenidate ER LA capsules methylphenidate LA capsules methylphenidate ER LA CAPSULES METHYLDRA XR (clonidine) QELBREE (viloxazine)** RELEXXII (methylphenidate) STRATTERA (atomoxetine)*	*Strattera is limited to a maximum of 100 mg per day. **Full PA criteria may be found on the PA Criteria page by clicking the hyperlink.
	NARCOLEPTIC AGENTS	
armodafinil* modafinil* NUVIGIL (armodafinil)* PROVIGIL (modafinil)*	sodium oxybate* SUNOSI (solriamfetol)** WAKIX (pitolisant)*** XYREM (sodium oxybate)* XYWAV (calcium/magnesium/potassium/sodium oxybate)*	*Full PA criteria for narcoleptic agents, Xyrem/Xywav may be found on the PA Criteria page by clicking the hyperlink. **Sunosi is approvable only with documentation of treatment failure after 30-day trials of both armodafinil and modafinil.

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PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
		***Wakix is approvable only with documentation of treatment failure after 30-day trials of armodafinil, modafinil and Sunosi.
TETRACYCLINES		
CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents reform is present.	equire 10-day trials of each preferred agent before they will	be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA
doxycycline hyclate capsules doxycycline hyclate 100 mg tablets doxycycline monohydrate 50 mg and 100 mg capsules minocycline capsules tetracycline capsules	demeclocycline** DORYX (doxycycline hyclate) doxycycline hyclate 50 mg, 75 mg and 150 mg tablets doxycycline hyclate DR 75 mg, 100 mg, 150 mg and 200 mg tablets doxycycline hyclate DR 50 mg tablets doxycycline monohydrate 40 mg, 75 mg and 150 mg capsules doxycycline monohydrate tablets doxycycline monohydrate suspension MINOCIN (minocycline) minocycline ER capsules minocycline tablets MINOLIRA ER (minocycline) MORGIDOX KIT (doxycycline) NUZYRA (omadacycline)* SOLODYN (minocycline) tetracycline tablets VIBRAMYCIN CAPSULES, SUSPENSION, SYRUP (doxycycline) XIMINO (minocycline)	*Full PA criteria may be found on the PA Criteria page by clicking the hyperlink. **Demeclocycline will be authorized for conditions caused by susceptible strains of organisms designated in the product information supplied by the manufacture A Culture and Sensitivity (C&S) report must accompant this request. Demeclocycline will also be authorized for Syndrome of Inappropriate Antidiuretic Hormone (SIADH).

ULCERATIVE COLITIS AGENTSAP

CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents require 30-day trials of each preferred dosage form or chemical entity before the corresponding non-preferred agent of that dosage form or chemical entity will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.

ORAL		
balsalazide	AZULFIDINE (sulfasalazine)	
PENTASA 250 mg (mesalamine)	budesonide ER tablets	
PENTASA 500 mg (mesalamine)	COLAZAL (balsalazide)	
sulfasalazine	DELZICOL (mesalamine)	
	DIPENTUM (olsalazine)	
	LIALDA (mesalamine)	
	mesalamine	
	UCERIS (budesonide)	
	ZEPOSIA (ozanimod)	
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	THERAPEUTIC DRUG CLASS	
PREFERRED AGENTS	NON-PREFERRED AGENTS	PA CRITERIA
	RECTAL	
mesalamine	DELZICOL DR (mesalamine) mesalamine kit ROWASA (mesalamine) SF ROWASA (mesalamine)	
VAGINAL RING CONTRACEPTIVE	S	
CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred drugs red a preferred agent.	uire medical reasoning beyond convenience or enhanced	compliance as to why the clinical need cannot be met with
ELURYNG (etonogestrel/ethinyl estradiol) ENILLORING (etonogestrel/ethinyl estradiol) etonogestrel/ethinyl estradiol vaginal ring HALOETTE (etonogestrel/ethinyl estradiol)	ANNOVERA (segesterone/ethinyl estradiol)	

VASODILATORS, CORONARY

NUVARING (etonogestrel/ethinyl estradiol)

CLASS PA CRITERIA: Non-preferred agents require 30-day trials of each preferred dosage form before they will be approved, unless one of the exceptions on the PA form is present.

SUBLINGUAL NITROGLYCERIN

nitroglycerin spray (generic NITROLINGUAL) nitroglycerin sublingual NITROSTAT SUBLINGUAL (nitroglycerin)	GONITRO SPRAY POWDER (nitroglycerin) nitroglycerin spray (generic NITROMIST) NITROLINGUAL SPRAY (nitroglycerin) NITROMIST (nitroglycerin)		
TOPICAL NITROGLYCERIN			
MINITRAN PATCHES (nitroglycerin) NITRO-BID OINTMENT	NITRO-DUR PATCHES (nitroglycerin)		
nitroglycerin patches			

VMAT INHIBITORS

tetrabenazine tablets

CLASS PA CRITERIA: All agents require a prior authorization. Full PA criteria may be found on the PA Criteria page by clicking the hyperlink.

AUSTEDO TABLETS (deutetrabenazine)
AUSTEDO XR (deutetrabenazine)
INGREZZA CAPSULES (valbenazine)
INGREZZA SPRINKLE CAPSULES
(valbenazine)

XENAZINE TABLETS

MISCELLANEOUS COVERED AGENTS

This category contains covered agents which either did not easily fit into a single PDL category or had criteria that was too lengthy to cite within the PDL itself. Full criteria for the agents listed below may be found by following this link: (https://bms.wv.gov/page/prior-authorization-criteriaPlease note that some agents may be available only by billing the appropriate HCPCS code noted in the criteria.

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Albenza and Emverm Alyftrek Amondys 45 **Antifungal Agents** Atypical Antipsychotic Agents for Children up to 18 years of age Austedo Belbuca Benlysta Botox Breyanzi Cabenuva Camzyos Carbaglu Carvykti Casgevy CGRP Receptor Antagonists (antimigraine agents, prophylaxis) Cibingo Continuous Glucose Monitors Corlanor Cresemba Cuvposa Cytokine & CAM Antagonists Diclegis Dificid Dojolvi Droxidopa Duavee Dupixent Elevidys Emflaza Enspryng Esbriet Evrysdi ExJade Exondys 51 Fasenra Ferriprox Fintepla Fuzeon Gattex Growth Hormone for Adults Growth Hormone for Children Hepatitis C Hereditary Angioedema Agents (prophylaxis) Hereditary Angioedema Agents (treatment) Hetlioz Home Infusion Drugs and Supplies Horizant **HP** Acthar

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HyQvia
Increlex
Ingrezza
Jublia
Juxtapid
Kalydeco
Kerendia
Ketoconazole
Korlym
Kuvan
Kymriah
Kynamro
Leqvio
Lucemyra
Lutathera
Lupkynis
Luxturna
Lyfgenia
Mozobil
Myalept
Myfembree
Mytesi
Narcoleptic Agents
Natpara
Nemluvio
Nexletol and Nexlizet
Non-Sedating Antihistamines
Nucala
Nuzyra
OFÉV
Omnipod
Opzelura
Orilissa
Oralair
Oriahnn
Orkambi
Osphena
Oxlumo
Palynziq
PCSK9 Inhibitor
Qelbree
Rectiv
Riluzole
Rinvoq
Risperdal Consta
Sirturo
Spinraza
Spravato
Suboxone Policy

Symdeko
Synagis
Testosterone
Tezspire
Thalomid
Trikafta
Tryvio
V-Go
Veozah
Verquvo
Viberzi and Lotronex
Vowst
Voxzogo
Vyondys 53
Wegovy
Winrevair
Xanax XR
Xenazine
Xhance
Xolair
Xyrem and Xywav
Yescarta
Zepbound
Zolgensma
Zulresso

Zurampic Zurzuvae Zynteglo Zyvox