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Pharmacy update approved by Drug Utilization Review Board December 2018

The Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) announces updates to the prior authorization (PA) criteria and changes to the Over-the-Counter (OTC) Drug Formulary as approved by the Drug Utilization Review (DUR) Board at its December 21, 2018, meeting. These changes apply to the fee-for-service (FFS) pharmacy benefit.



PA changes

PA criteria for Lyrica CR, Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatory Drug (NSAID) Step Therapy, Soma and Combinations, and Testosterones were established and approved by the DUR Board. These PA changes will be effective for PA requests submitted on or after February 1, 2019. The PA criteria are posted on the *Pharmacy Prior Authorization Criteria and Forms* page on the OptumRx website, accessible through the OptumRx link on the [Pharmacy Services](#) web page at in.gov/medicaid/providers.

Changes to the OTC Drug Formulary

Changes to the OTC Drug Formulary were made at the December 21, 2018, DUR Board meeting. See Table 1 for a summary of OTC Drug Formulary changes. Changes are effective for dates of service (DOS) on or after February 1, 2019, unless otherwise noted.

Table 1 – OTC Drug Formulary changes effective for DOS on or after February 1, 2019

Drug class	Drug	OTC Drug Formulary status
Calcium Supplements	Calcium carbonate 1.25 gm tablet	Remove from OTC Drug Formulary; will continue to cover under Pharmacy Supplements Formulary
Cough and Cold Products	Dextromethorphan polistirex extended release suspension 30 mg/5 mL	Covered
	Delsym 30 mg/5 mL liquid	Covered; no longer listed as brand preferred

For more information

The PA criteria, Pharmacy Supplements Formulary, and OTC Drug Formulary can be found on the OptumRx website, accessible through the OptumRx link on the [Pharmacy Services](#) web page at in.gov/medicaid/providers. Notices of the DUR Board meetings and agendas are posted on the [FSSA website](#) at in.gov/fssa. Click “FSSA Calendar” on the left side of the page to access the events calendar.

Please direct FFS PA requests and questions about the FFS Preferred Drug List (PDL) or this bulletin to the OptumRx Clinical and Technical Help Desk by calling toll-free 1-855-577-6317. Questions regarding pharmacy benefits for members in the Healthy Indiana Plan (HIP), Hoosier Healthwise, and Hoosier Care Connect should be referred to the managed care entity with which the member is enrolled.

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