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Pharmacy updates approved by Drug Utilization Review Board December 2021

The Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) announces updates to the SilentAuth automated prior authorization (PA) system and PA criteria as approved by the Drug Utilization Review (DUR) Board at its Dec. 17, 2021, meeting. These updates apply to the fee-for-service (FFS) pharmacy benefit.

SilentAuth PA enhancement

The IHCP has enhanced its automated PA system to update the criteria for the Opiate Overutilization PA. These PA changes will be effective for PA requests submitted on or after April 1, 2022. The PA criteria are posted on the *Pharmacy Prior Authorization Criteria and Forms* page on the OptumRx Indiana Medicaid website, accessible from the [Pharmacy Services](#) page at in.gov/medicaid/providers.



PA changes

PA criteria for Aduhelm and Non-Preferred Drug List Agents PA and Step Therapy (Non-PDL Agents PA and ST) were established and approved by the DUR Board. These PA changes will be effective for PA requests submitted on or after Feb. 10, 2022. The PA criteria are posted on the *Pharmacy Prior Authorization Criteria and Forms* page on the [OptumRx Indiana Medicaid website](#).

For more information

The PA criteria and SilentAuth criteria can be found on the [OptumRx Indiana Medicaid website](#). Notices of the DUR Board meetings and agendas are posted on the [FSSA Calendar](#) at events.in.gov/fssa.

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

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