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SmartPA™ Pharmacy PA enhancement and changes to the Preferred Drug List

Indiana Medicaid announces enhancements to its SmartPA automated pharmacy prior authorization (PA) system and changes to the Preferred Drug List (PDL), approved by the Drug Utilization Review (DUR) Board at its September 14, 2012, meeting.

SmartPA enhancement

The Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) has enhanced its automated prior authorization (PA) system, SmartPA. Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) bulletin BT200927 and banner page BR200939 provide historical information regarding SmartPA. The IHCP is implementing a SmartPA rule for brand (Singulair) and generic montelukast products within the pharmacy claims processing system. The goal is to ensure appropriate utilization for IHCP members. This enhancement will be implemented in the IHCP pharmacy claims processing system for claims with dates of service (DOS) on or after November 1, 2012. Pharmacy providers will receive the following text message when a claim denies based on this rule: MONTELUKAST _ PA_REQ_ CALL_8668790106.

Changes to the PDL

Changes to the PDL are effective for DOS on or after November 1, 2012, as noted in the following table.

Approved changes to the PDL effective for DOS on or after November 1, 2012

Drug class	Drug	PDL status
Narcotics	Exalgo	Maintain as nonpreferred: ■ 32mg strength – add quantity limit of two tablets/day ■ 16mg strength – change quantity limit to one tablet/day ■ 12mg strength – change quantity limit to two tablets/day

The PDL and SmartPA criteria can be accessed on the Indiana Pharmacy Benefits Manager website at indianapbm.com. Notice of the DUR Board meetings and agendas are posted on the Family and Social Services Administration (FSSA) website at in.gov/fssa. Click "FSSA Calendar" on the left side of the page to access the events calendar.

Please direct prior authorization (PA) requests and questions about the PDL to the Xerox (formerly ACS) Clinical Call Center at 1-866-879-0106. Please direct questions about this bulletin to HP Customer Assistance at (317) 655-3240 in the Indianapolis local area or toll-free at 1-800-577-1278.

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