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Pharmacy updates approved by Drug Utilization Review Board March 2014

The Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) announces enhancements to its SilentAuth automated pharmacy prior authorization (PA) system and changes to the Preferred Drug List (PDL), as approved by the Drug Utilization Review (DUR) Board at its March 21, 2014, meeting.

SilentAuth PA enhancements

The IHCP has enhanced its automated PA system to update the criteria for the Antipsychotic Duplicate Therapy, Sedative Hypnotics/Benzodiazepines, SSRI/SNRI Duplicate Therapy, and Stimulants Duplicate Therapy rules. The goal is to ensure appropriate utilization for IHCP members. These enhancements will be implemented in the IHCP pharmacy claims processing system for claims with dates of service (DOS) on or after May 15, 2014.

Changes to the PDL

Changes to the PDL were made at the March 21, 2014, DUR Board meeting. See Table 1 for a summary of these changes. The changes are effective for DOS on or after May 15, 2014.

Table 1 - Approved changes to the PDL effective for DOS on or after May 15, 2014

Drug Class	Drug	PDL Status
Narcotics	Hydrocodone	Removal of 1,500 mg/month quantity limit

The PDL, SilentAuth, and PA criteria can be accessed under the [Pharmacy Services](#) link at indianamedicaid.com. Notices 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 PA requests and questions about utilization edits, the PDL, the OTC Drug Formulary, or this bulletin to the Catamaran Clinical and Technical Help Desk by calling 1-855-577-6317 toll-free.

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