IHCP bulletin

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Pharmacy updates approved by Drug Utilization Review Board

Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) announces changes to prior authorization (PA) criteria, enhancements to its SilentAuth automated PA system, and changes to the Preferred Drug List (PDL) and Over-the-Counter (OTC) Drug Formulary as approved by the Drug Utilization Review (DUR) Board at its December 19, 2014, and January 16, 2015, meetings.

PA changes

PA criteria for human chorionic gonadotropin were established and approved by the DUR Board. The criteria will be effective for PA requests submitted on or after March 1, 2015. The PA criteria are posted on the *Pharmacy Prior Authorization Criteria and Forms* page under the <u>Pharmacy Services</u> quick link at indianamedicaid.com.

SilentAuth PA enhancement

The IHCP has enhanced its automated PA system to update the criteria for the following:

- Opiate Overutilization
- Duplicate Antipsychotics

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 March 1, 2015.



Changes to the PDL and OTC Drug Formulary

See Table 1 for a summary of PDL changes and <u>Table 2</u> for a summary of OTC Drug Formulary changes. The changes for the PDL and OTC Drug Formulary are effective for DOS on or after March 1, 2015, unless otherwise noted.

Drug class	Drug	PDL status
Narcotics	Hysingla ER	Nonpreferred; add to Opiate Overutilization SilentAuth PA requiring trial of two preferred long- acting agents and two nonpreferred long acting agents in the past 90 days; add quantity limit of 1 tablet/day

Table 1 – Approved changes to the PDL effective for DOS on or after March 1, 2015

Table 2 – OTC Drug Formulary changes effective for DOS on or after March 1, 2015

Drug class	Drug	OTC Drug Formulary status/criteria
Cough and Cold Products	Diphenhydramine 12.5 mg/mL syrup	Maintain as covered; remove age restriction

The PDL, OTC Drug Formulary, SilentAuth, and PA criteria can be accessed under the <u>Pharmacy Services</u> quick link on indianamedicaid.com. Notices of the DUR Board meetings and agendas are posted on the <u>Family and Social Services</u> <u>Administration (FSSA) website</u> at in.gov/fssa. Click "FSSA Calendar" on the left side of the page to access the events calendar.

Please direct PA requests, questions about the PDL and OTC Drug Formulary, or this bulletin to the Catamaran Clinical and Technical Help Desk by calling toll-free 1-855-577-6317.

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