IHCP bulletin

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Pharmacy updates approved by Drug Utilization Review Board October 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 Oct. 15, 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 add or update criteria for Cystic Fibrosis Inhaled Agents, Hematinic Agents, Pulmonary Antihypertensives, Sandostatin (octreotide), Sedative-Hypnotics/Benzodiazepines, Soriatane (acitretin) and Topical Immunomodulators. These PA changes will be effective for PA requests submitted on or after Dec. 1,



2021. The PA criteria are posted on the *Pharmacy Prior Authorization Criteria and Forms* page on the OptumRx Indiana Medicaid website, accessible from the <u>*Pharmacy Services*</u> page at in.gov/medicaid/providers.

PA changes

The DUR Board approved additions or updates to PA criteria for Allergy-Specific Immunotherapy, Elmiron (pentosan polysulfate sodium), Hepatitis B Agents, Muscular Dystrophy Agents, Mepron (atovaquone), Narcolepsy Agents, Non-PDL Agents PA and ST (Kerendia), Oxervate (cenegermin-bkbj), Pulmonary Antihypertensives, Sickle Cell Agents, Testosterones, Uterine Disorder Agents, and Vyndaqel and Vyndamax. These PA changes will be effective for PA requests submitted on or after Dec. 1, 2021. The PA criteria are posted on the *Pharmacy Prior Authorization Criteria and Forms* page on the <u>OptumRx Indiana Medicaid website</u>.

For more information

The PA criteria and SilentAuth criteria can be found on the <u>OptumRx Indiana Medicaid website</u>. Notices of the DUR Board meetings and agendas are posted on the <u>Family and Social Services 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 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 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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