

# Oregon Medicaid Pharmaceutical Services Prior Authorization Criteria



HEALTH SYSTEMS DIVISION

Prior authorization (PA)  
criteria for fee-for-service  
prescriptions for Oregon Health Plan  
clients

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# Introduction

## About this guide

The *Oregon Medicaid Pharmaceutical Services PA Criteria* is designed to assist the following providers:

- Prescribing providers seeking approval of fee-for-service (FFS, or “open card”) prescriptions for Oregon Health Plan (OHP) clients
- Pharmacies filling FFS prescriptions for OHP clients

## How to use this guide

The table of contents is not interactive. When viewing this guide electronically, do the following to quickly access PA criteria:

- Click the **Bookmarks** button in your PDF viewer to view the bookmarks in this guide.
- Click on the bookmark you wish to view to go to that page.
- A plus sign next to the bookmark name means there are additional items within that bookmark. Click the plus sign to see the additional bookmarks.
- To turn pages within the PDF, use the arrow buttons (normally located at the top or bottom of your PDF viewer).

## Administrative rules and supplemental information

Use this guide with the Pharmaceutical Services provider guidelines (administrative rules and supplemental information), which contain information on policy and covered services specific to your provider type.

You can find these guidelines at

[www.oregon.gov/OHA/HSD/OHP/Pages/Policy-Pharmacy.aspx](http://www.oregon.gov/OHA/HSD/OHP/Pages/Policy-Pharmacy.aspx)

## Update information

### Effective August 19, 2019

The Health Systems Division made substantive changes to listed criteria, deleted criteria, and made minor, non-substantive formatting updates to the entire guide.

#### Substantive updates and new criteria

- Atopic Dermatitis and Topical Antipsoriatics
- Brexanalone
- Dupilumab
- Esketamine
- Drugs for Hereditary Transthyretin-Mediated Amyloidosis (hATTR)
- Modafinil/armodafinil
- Monoclonal antibodies for severe asthma
- Solriamfetol

#### Clerical changes

- Biologics for Autoimmune Conditions

For questions, contact the Division's Pharmacy Program at [dmap.rxquestions@state.or.us](mailto:dmap.rxquestions@state.or.us).

## General PA information

### Overview

For drugs that require PA on Point of Sale (POS) claims:

- A new evaluation feature of the Oregon Medicaid POS system, DUR Plus, reviews incoming POS claims and issues PA when the drug meets appropriate clinical criteria.
- For drugs that do not pass DUR Plus review, pharmacies must contact the prescribing provider, who then requests PA from the Oregon Pharmacy Call Center.

### Drugs requiring PA - See OAR 410-121-0040 for more information

The Division may require PA for individual drugs and categories of drugs to ensure that the drugs prescribed are indicated for conditions funded by OHP and consistent with the Prioritized List of Health Services and its corresponding treatment guidelines (see OAR 410-141-0480 and 410-141-0520).

### DUR Plus review

The Oregon Medicaid POS system initially evaluates incoming pharmacy claims for basic edits and audits. If the drug on the claim requires PA and requires DUR Plus evaluation, the claim passes through a series of clinical criteria rules to determine whether DUR Plus can issue PA and allow dispensing the drug to the client.

DUR Plus checks the current drug claim as well as the client's medical and claims history for the appropriate criteria.

- If suitable criteria are found, a prior authorization will be systematically created, applied to the claim, and the claim will be paid. This interactive process occurs with no processing delays and no administrative work for the pharmacy or prescribing provider.
- If all criteria are not met, the claim will be denied and PA will be required. The prescriber will be responsible for requesting PA, using procedures outlined in OAR 410-121-0060.

### How to request PA

For prescriptions covered by the client's coordinated care organization (CCO), contact the CCO for their PA procedures.

For prescriptions covered by OHA on a fee-for-service ("open card") basis, use the following contact information:

### **For prescriptions and oral nutritional supplements**

The Oregon Pharmacy Call Center is available 24 hours per day, seven days a week, 365 days a year and processes PA requests within 24 hours. When calling in a PA request, have the diagnosis code ready.

Phone: 888-202-2126

Fax: 888-346-0178

Refer to PA procedures outlined in OAR 410-121-0060.

### **For emergent or urgent prescriptions that require PA**

The Oregon Pharmacy Call Center may authorize up to a 96-hour emergency supply for drugs that require PA, but have no PA on file. Refer to 410-121-0060(4) Emergency Need.

The Pharmacist may request an emergent or urgent dispensing from the Pharmacy Call Center when the client is eligible for covered fee-for-service drug prescriptions.

- a) Clients who do not have a PA pending may receive an emergency dispensing for a 96-hour supply.
- b) Clients who do have a PA pending may receive an emergency dispensing for up to a seven-day supply.

### **For diabetic supplies (lancets, test strips, syringe and glucose monitor supplies)**

Diabetic supplies in excess of OHA's utilization guidelines require PA from the Division:

#### **Health Systems Division – Provider Clinical Support Unit**

500 Summer St NE, E44

Salem, OR 97301-1078

503-945-6821 (direct)

800-642-8635 (in-state only)

Use the MSC 3971 form to submit PA requests. Fax the completed form using an EDMS Coversheet (MSC 3970) to one the following fax numbers:

- Routine requests: 503-378-5814
- Immediate/urgent requests: 503-378-3435

### **Client hearings and exception requests**

For any PA requests that are denied due to OHA criteria not being met, the right of a client to request a contested case hearing is otherwise provided by statute or rule, including OAR 410-141-0264(10).

- This rule describes when a client may request a state hearing. Clients may request a hearing based upon information included in the PA denial notice.
- Information on how to file an appeal is attached to all PA notices to clients and providers from the Oregon Pharmacy Call Center.

Providers may contact Provider Services at 800-336-6016 to file an exception request on a PA denial. For information regarding OAR 410-120-1860, refer to the Division’s General Rules at [www.oregon.gov/OHA/HSD/OHP/Pages/Policy-General-Rules.aspx](http://www.oregon.gov/OHA/HSD/OHP/Pages/Policy-General-Rules.aspx)

## DMAP 3978 - Pharmacy Prior Authorization Request

This form is the paper option for submitting pharmacy PA requests. Prescribers should submit their PA requests for fee-for-service prescriptions and oral nutritional supplements with required documentation to the Oregon Pharmacy Call Center at 888-346-0178.

This form **does not** require an EDMS Coversheet. This form is also available on the DHS/OHA website at <https://apps.state.or.us/Forms/Served/OE3978.pdf>.

### Information needed to request PA

Complete the form as follows. The Oregon Pharmacy Call Center may ask for some or all of the following information, depending upon the class of the drug requested:

DMAP 3978 section	Information needed
Section I:	Requesting provider name and National Provider Identifier <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FQHC/RHC and AI/AN providers - Also enter the pharmacy or clinic NPI for your facility</li> </ul>
Section II	Type of PA Request: Mark “Pharmacy” <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FQHC/RHC and AI/AN providers -Mark “Other,” followed by provider type (FQHC, RHC, IHS or Tribal 638)</li> </ul>
Section III:	Client name and recipient ID number
Section IV:	Diagnosis code
Section V:	Drug name, strength, size and quantity of medication <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participating pharmacy: Include the dispensing pharmacy’s name and phone number (if available)</li> </ul>
Section VI:	Date of PA Request Begin and End Dates of Service
Section VII:	Complete for EPIV and oral nutritional supplements only
Section VIII:	Complete for oral nutritional supplements only



Oregon Health Plan
Prior Authorization Request for Medications
and Oral Nutritional Supplements

To: Oregon Pharmacy Call Center
888-346-0178 (fax); 888-202-2126 (phone)

Confidentiality Notice:

The information contained in this Prior Authorization Request is confidential and legally privileged. It is intended only for use of the recipient(s) named. If you are not the intended recipient, you are hereby notified that the disclosure, copying, distribution, or taking of any action in regards to the contents of this fax document- except its direct delivery to the intended recipient - is strictly prohibited.

Complete all fields marked with an asterisk (\*), if applicable.

I Requesting Provider

Name\* NPI\*
Contact name Contact phone
Contact fax
Processing time frame: [ ] Routine [ ] Urgent [ ] Immediate
Supporting justification for urgent/immediate processing:

II PA Request\* - Assignment Code (check appropriate box)

[ ] Pharmacy [ ] Oral Nutritional Supplements [ ] Physician-administered drug
[ ] Other:

III Client Information

Client ID\* DOB
Last name\* First name MI\*

IV Service Information

Estimated length of treatment Frequency
Primary diagnosis Primary diagnosis code\*
Other pertinent diagnosis (for prescriptions and oral nutritional supplements, list all applicable diagnosis codes or contributing factors):

V Drug/Product Information

Name\* Strength\*
Quantity\* NDC\*

Participating pharmacy:

Name Phone number Date

VI Date Information

Date of request\* Expected service begin date\*
Expected service end date\*

**VII Code and Cost Information – Required for oral nutritional supplements**

Line Item	Procedure Code	Modifier	Description	Units	U&C	MSRP	Total Dollars
1							
2							
3							
4							
5							
Total Units				\$ 0.00			\$ 0.00

**VIII Patient Questionnaire – Complete for oral nutritional supplements only**

Question	Yes	No
Is the patient fed via G-tube?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Is the patient currently on oral nutritional supplements? - If Yes, date product started: - How is it supplied (e.g., self-pay, friends/family supply)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does the patient have Failure to Thrive (FTT)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does the patient have a long history (more than one year) of malnutrition and cachexia?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does the patient reside in a: - Long-term care facility? - Chronic home care facility? - If Yes, list name of residence:	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
Does the patient have: - Increased metabolic need from severe trauma (e.g., severe burn, major bone fracture)? - Malabsorption difficulties (e.g., Crohn's Disease, cystic fibrosis, bowel resection/removal, Short Gut Syndrome, gastric bypass, renal dialysis, dysphagia, achalasia)? - A diagnosis that requires additional calories and/or protein intake (e.g., cancer, AIDS, pulmonary insufficiency, MS, ALS, Parkinson's, cerebral palsy, Alzheimer's)?	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>

Date of last MD assessment for continued use of supplements:

Date of Registered Dietician assessment indicating adequate intake is not obtainable through regular or liquefied pureed foods:

- |                        |                |
|------------------------|----------------|
| - Serum protein level: | Date taken:    |
| - Albumin level:       | Date taken:    |
| - Current weight:      | Normal weight: |

**Written justification and attachments:**

**Requesting Physician's signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

## PA criteria for fee-for-service prescriptions

### About the PA criteria

The following pages include specific drugs, goals or directives in usage, length of authorization, covered alternatives, approval criteria and more.

The Division's prior authorization policy is reviewed by the Oregon Pharmacy and Therapeutic Committee (P&T Committee) and is subject to the Oregon Administrative Rule writing process.

- To learn more about the P&T Committee, please visit the web page at <http://www.oregon.gov/OHA/HSD/OHP/Pages/PT-Committee.aspx>
- For summaries of P&T Committee recommendations approved by OHA for policy implementation, view the OHA Recommendations posted at <http://www.oregon.gov/OHA/HSD/OHP/Pages/PT-Committee.aspx>

### Contact for questions about PA policy

For general questions about the Division's prior authorization policy for fee-for-service prescriptions, please contact:

**Roger A. Citron, RPh**  
OSU College of Pharmacy  
Drug Use Research & Management at  
OHA Health Systems Division  
500 Summer Street NE, E-35  
Salem, OR 97301-1079

[roger.a.citron@state.or.us](mailto:roger.a.citron@state.or.us)

Voicemail: 503-947-5220  
Fax: 503-947-1119

## Acne Medications

**Goal(s):**

- Ensure that medications for acne are used appropriately for OHP-funded conditions.

**Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 12 months

**Requires PA:**

- All drugs in the Acne medications class

**Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is the request for an FDA-approved indication?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
3. Is the diagnosis funded by OHP?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.
4. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?  Message: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Preferred products are evidence-based reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Oregon Pharmacy &amp; Therapeutics Committee.</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class.	<b>No:</b> Approve for 12 months.

*P&T/DUR Review: 11/18 (JP)  
Implementation: 1/1/19*

## Analgesics, Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatory Drugs

### Goal(s):

- To ensure that non-preferred NSAIDs are used for conditions funded by the OHP.
- Restrict ketorolac to short-term use (5-day supply every 60 days) per the FDA black boxed warning.

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 12 months

### Requires PA:

- Non-preferred NSAIDs.
- Ketorolac: Maximum of one claim per 60 days, with a maximum 20 tablets/5-day supply (maximum 5-day supply every 60 days).

### Preferred Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is the diagnosis funded by the Oregon Health Plan?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP
3. Is this a continuation of current therapy (i.e. filled prescription within prior 90 days)? Verify via pharmacy claims.	<b>Yes:</b> Document prior therapy in PA record. Go to #4.	<b>No:</b> Go to #5
4. Is request for more than a 5-day supply of ketorolac within 60 days (200 mg total over 5 days for tablets, 630 mg total over 5 days for the nasal spray)?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.	<b>No:</b> Go to #5
5. Will the prescriber consider switching to a preferred product?  <u>Message:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preferred products do not require PA.</li> <li>• Preferred products are evidence-based reviewed for comparative effectiveness &amp; safety by the Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&amp;T) Committee.</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class.	<b>No:</b> Approve for up to 12 months.

P&T Review: 3/16 (MH); 11/14; 9/13; 2/12; 9/09; 2/06  
 Implementation: 1/1/15, 1/1/14, 5/14/12, 1/1/10

## Antiemetics

**Goal(s):**

- Promote use of preferred antiemetics.
- Restrict use of costly antiemetic agents for appropriate indications.

**Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 6 months

**Requires PA:**

- Non-preferred drugs will be subject to PA criteria.

**Covered Alternatives:**

- Preferred alternatives listed at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)

### Approval Criteria

1. What is the diagnosis being treated?	Record ICD10 Code.	
2. Will the prescriber consider a change to the preferred product? Message: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preferred products do not require a PA.</li> <li>• Preferred products are evidence-based reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&amp;T) Committee.</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class.	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
3. Is the request for doxylamine/pyridoxine (Diclegis® or Bonjesta) for pregnancy-related nausea or vomiting?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Go to #5
4. Has the patient failed a trial of pyridoxine? Message: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preferred vitamin B products do not require a PA.</li> <li>• Preferred products are evidence-based reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&amp;T) Committee.</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 3 months	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh; deny and recommend a trial of pyridoxine.
5. Is the request for dronabinol (Marinol®)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #6	<b>No:</b> Go to #7

6. Does the patient have anorexia associated with HIV/AIDS?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 6 months.*	<b>No:</b> Go to #7
7. Does the patient have a cancer diagnosis AND receiving chemotherapy or radiation?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 6 months.	<b>No:</b> Go to #8
8. Does patient have refractory nausea/vomiting that has resulted in hospitalizations or ED visits?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 6 months.*	<b>No:</b> Go to #9
9. Has the patient tried and failed, or have contraindications, to at least 2 preferred antiemetics?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 6 months.*	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness. Must trial at least 2 preferred antiemetics
* If the request is for dronabinol (Marinol®) do not exceed 3 doses/day for 2.5 mg and 5 mg strengths and 2 doses/day for the 10 mg strength.		

*P&T/DUR Review:* 9/17 (KS); 1/17; 1/16; 11/14; 9/09; 2/06; 2/04; 11/03; 9/03; 5/03; 2/03  
*Implementation:* 1/1/18; 4/1/17; 2/12/16; 1/1/15; 1/1/14; 1/1/10; 7/1/06; 3/20/06; 6/30/04; 3/1/04; 6/19/03; 4/1/03

## Antifungals

### Goal(s):

- Approve use of antifungals only for OHP-funded diagnoses. Minor fungal infections of skin, such as dermatophytosis and candidiasis are only funded when complicated by an immunocompromised host.

### Length of Authorization:

- See criteria

### Requires PA:

- Non-preferred drugs

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

**Table 1: Examples of FUNDED indications (1/1/15)**

ICD-10	Description
B373	Candidiasis of vulva and vagina
B371	Candidiasis of the lung
B377	Disseminated Candidiasis
B375-376, B3781-3782, B3784-3789	Candidiasis of other specified sites
B380-B384, B3889, B389	Coccidiomycosis various sites
B392-395, B399, G02, H32, I32, I39, J17	Histoplasmosis
B409, B410, B419, B480	Blastomycosis
B420-427, B429, B439, B449-450, B457, B459, B469, B481-482, B488, B49	Rhinosporidiosis, Sporotrichosis, Chromoblastomycosis, Aspergillosis, Mycotis Mycetomas, Cryptococcosis, Allescheriosis, Zygomycosis, Dematiaceous Fungal Infection, Mycoses Nec and Nos
B488	Mycosis, Opportunistic
B4481	Bronchopulmonary Aspergillus, Allergic
N739-751, N759, N760-N771(except N72)	Inflammatory disease of cervix vagina and vulva
L3019, L3029, L3039, L3049	Cellulitis and abscess of finger and toe
P375	Neonatal Candida infection

**Table 2: Examples of NON-FUNDED indications (1/1/15)**

ICD-10	Description
L2083, L210-211, L218-219, L303	Erythematous squamous dermatosis
L22	Diaper or napkin rash
L20.0-20.82, L20.84-20.89	Other atopic dermatitis and related conditions
L240-242, L251-255, L578, L579, L230, L2381, L2481, L250, L252, L258-259, L551-552, L568, L589	Contact dermatitis and other eczema
L530-532, L510, L518-519, L52, L710-711, L718, L930, L932, L490-L499, L26, L304, L538,	Erythematous conditions

L920, L951, L982, L539	
L438,L441-443, L449,L661	Lichen Planus
L700-702, L708	Rosacea or acne
B351	Tinea unguium (onychomycosis)
B360	Pityriasis versicolor
B362	Tinea blanca
B363	Black piedra
B368, B369	Mycoses, superficial
B372	Cutaneous candidiasis
B379	Candidiasis, unspecified
R21	Rash and other nonspecific skin eruption

**Table 3: Criteria driven diagnoses (1/1/15)**

<b>ICD-10</b>	<b>Description</b>
B350	Dermatophytosis of scalp and beard (tinea capitis/ tinea barbae)
B352	Dermatophytosis of hand (tinea manuum)
B356	Dermatophytosis of groin and perianal area (tinea cruris)
B353	Dermatophytosis of foot (tinea pedis)
B355	Dermatophytosis of body (tinea corporis / tinea imbricate)
B358	Deep seated dermatophytosis
B358-B359	Dermatophytosis of other specified sites - unspecified site
B361	Tinea nigra
B370,B3783	Candidiasis of mouth
B3742,B3749	Candidiasis of other urogenital sites

<b>Approval Criteria</b>		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Is the diagnosis funded by OHP? (See examples in Table 1).	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Go to #4
3. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product? Message: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Preferred products do not require PA.</li> <li>Preferred products are evidence-based reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety.</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of preferred alternatives.	<b>No:</b> Approve for 3 months or course of treatment.
4. Is the prescriber a hematology, oncology or infectious disease specialty prescriber requesting voriconazole?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 3 months or course of treatment.	<b>No:</b> Go to #5
5. Is the diagnosis not funded by OHP? (see examples in Table 2).	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by OHP	<b>No:</b> Got to #6
6. Is the diagnosis funded by OHP if criteria are met? (see examples in Table 3).	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #7	<b>No:</b> Go to #9
7. Is the patient immunocompromised (examples below)? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Does the patient have a current (not history of) diagnosis of cancer <b>AND</b> is currently undergoing Chemotherapy or Radiation? Document therapy and length of treatment. <b>OR</b></li> <li>Does the patient have a diagnosis of HIV/AIDS? <b>OR</b></li> <li>Does the patient have sickle cell anemia?</li> <li>Poor nutrition, elderly or chronically ill?</li> <li>Other conditions as determined and documented by a RPh.</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Record ICD-10 code. Approve as follows: (immunocompromised patient)  <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p><b>ORAL &amp; TOPICAL</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Course of treatment.</li> <li>If length of therapy is unknown, approve for 3 months.</li> </ul> </div>	<b>No:</b> Go to #8

## Approval Criteria

8. Is the patient currently taking an immunosuppressive drug? Document drug.

**Pass to RPh for evaluation if drug not in list.**

Immunosuppressive drugs include but are not limited to:

azathioprine	leflunomide
basiliximab	mercaptopurine
cyclophosphamide	methotrexate
cyclosporine	mycophenolate
etanercept	rituximab
everolimus	sirolimus
hydroxychloroquine	tacrolimus
infliximab	

**Yes:** Approve as follows: (immunocompromised patient)

### ORAL & TOPICAL

- Course of treatment.
- If length of therapy is unknown, approve for 3 months.

**No:** Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP

9. RPh only: All other indications need to be evaluated to see if it is an OHP-funded diagnosis:

- If funded: may approve for treatment course with PRN renewals. If length of therapy is unknown, approve for 3-month intervals only.
- If not funded: Deny; not funded by the OHP.
  - Deny non-fungal diagnosis (medical appropriateness)
  - Deny fungal ICD-10 codes that do not appear on the OHP list pending a more specific diagnosis code (not funded by the OHP).
  - Forward any fungal ICD-10 codes not found in the Tables 1, 2, or 3 to the Lead Pharmacist. These codes will be forwarded to DMAP to be added to the Tables for future requests.

P&T Review: 7/15 (kk); 09/10; 2/06; 11/05; 9/05; 5/05  
 Implemented: 5/1/16; 8/15; 1/1/11; 7/1/06; 11/1/0; 9/1/0

## Antihistamines

### **Goals:**

- Approve antihistamines only for conditions funded by the OHP.
- Allergic rhinitis treatment is covered by the OHP only when complicated by other diagnoses (e.g. asthma, sleep apnea).
- Promote use that is consistent with Oregon Asthma Guidelines and medical evidence.  
<http://public.health.oregon.gov/DiseasesConditions/ChronicDisease/Asthma/Pages/index.aspx>

### **Length of Authorization:**

- 6 months

### **Requires PA:**

- Non-preferred oral antihistamines and combinations

### **Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

### **Approval Criteria**

1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product? Message: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preferred products do not require a PA.</li> <li>• Preferred products are evidence-based reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Oregon Pharmacy &amp; Therapeutics Committee.</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class.	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
3. Does patient have a diagnosis of allergic rhinitis, allergic conjunctivitis, or chronic rhinitis/pharyngitis/nasopharyngitis?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Go to #8
4. Does the patient have asthma or reactive airway disease exacerbated by chronic/allergic rhinitis or allergies?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Go to #6

## Approval Criteria

<p>5. Does the drug profile show an asthma controller medication (e.g. ORAL inhaled corticosteroid, leukotriene antagonist, etc.) and/or inhaled rescue beta-agonist (e.g. albuterol) within the last 6 months?</p> <p><i>Keep in mind: albuterol may not need to be used as often if asthma is controlled on other medications.</i></p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for 6 months</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p> <p><i>Oregon Asthma guidelines recommend all asthma clients have access to rescue inhalers and those with persistent disease should use anti-inflammatory medicines daily (preferably orally inhaled corticosteroids).</i></p>
<p>6. Does patient have other co-morbid conditions or complications that are funded?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acute or chronic inflammation of the orbit</li> <li>• Chronic Sinusitis</li> <li>• Acute Sinusitis</li> <li>• Sleep apnea</li> <li>• Wegener's Granulomatosis</li> </ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Document ICD-10 codes. Go to #7</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP</p>
<p>7. Does patient have contraindications (e.g. pregnancy), or had insufficient response to available alternatives? Document.</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 6 months</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
<p>8. Is the diagnosis COPD or Obstructive Chronic Bronchitis?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness. Antihistamine not indicated.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #9</p>
<p>9. Is the diagnosis Chronic Bronchitis?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Go to #10</p>
<p>10. RPh only: Is the diagnosis above the line or below the line?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Above: Deny; medical appropriateness</li> <li>• Below: Deny; not funded by the OHP (e.g., acute upper respiratory infections or urticaria).</li> </ul>		

P&T Review: 5/15 (AG); 9/10; 9/08; 2/06; 9/04; 5/04; 2/02  
 Implementation: 5/1/16; 7/15, 1/11, 7/09, 7/06, 3/06, 10/04, 8/02, 9/06

## Antimigraine - Triptans

### Goal(s):

- Decrease potential for medication overuse headache through quantity limits and therapeutic duplication denials.
- Promote PDL options.

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 6 months

### Requires PA:

- Non-preferred drugs

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

### Check the Reason for PA:

- Non-Preferred drugs will deny on initiation
- Preferred drugs will deny only when maximum dose exceeded
- Both will deny for concurrent therapy (concurrent triptans by different routes is allowed)

### Quantity Limits per Labeling.

Generic	Brand	Max Daily Dose	Dosage Form	Quantity Limit Per Month
Almotriptan	Axert	25 mg	6.25 mg tab 12.5 mg tab	12 tabs
Eletriptan	Relpax	80 mg	20 mg tab 40 mg tab (blister pack 6, 12)	6 tabs
Frovatriptan	Frova	7.5 mg	2.5 mg tab (blister pack 9)	9 tabs
Naratriptan	Amerge	5 mg	1 mg tab 2.5 mg tab (blister pack 9)	9 tabs
Rizatriptan	Maxalt Maxalt MLT	30 mg	5 mg tab 10 mg tab (blister pack 6, 12)	12 tabs
Sumatriptan tablets	Imitrex & generics	200 mg	25 mg tab, 50 mg tab, 100 mg tab (blister pack 9)	9 tablets
Sumatriptan nasal spray	Imitrex & generics	40 mg	5 mg, 10 mg (box of 6)	18 spray units
Sumatriptan nasal powder	Onzetra Xsail	44 mg	22 mg (11 mg in each nostril)	6 nosepieces
Sumatriptan injectable	Imitrex & generics	12 mg	6 mg/0.5 mL	6 vials

Generic	Brand	Max Daily Dose	Dosage Form	Quantity Limit Per Month
Sumatriptan injectable	Sumavel	12 mg	6 mg/0.5 mL units (package of 6)	6 jet injectors
Sumatriptan injectable	Zembrace Symtouch	12 mg	3 mg/0.5 mL (package of 4)	12 auto-injectors
Sumatriptan /naproxen	Treximet	170/1000 mg (2 tablets)	85/500 mg tab (box of 9)	9 tablets
Zolmitriptan	Zomig Zomig ZMT	10 mg	2.5 mg tab (blister pack, 6)	6 tabs
Zolmitriptan nasal spray	Zomig NS	10 mg	5 mg (box of 6)	3 packages (18 spray units)

Abbreviations: d = days; MR = may repeat; NS = nasal spray; PO = orally

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Does the patient have a diagnosis of migraine headaches?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
3. Is requested drug a preferred product?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Go to #4
4. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?  Message: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Preferred products do not require PA within recommended dose limits.</li> <li>Preferred products are evidence-based reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Oregon Pharmacy &amp; Therapeutics Committee.</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class and dose limits.	<b>No:</b> Go to #5

## Approval Criteria

<p>5. Is request for a higher dose than listed in quantity limit chart?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• May recommend use of migraine prophylactic therapy and reinforce that doses above those recommended by the manufacturer increase the incidence of medication overuse headache.</li> <li>• One lifetime 90-day taper may be approved at pharmacist's discretion.</li> <li>• Document.</li> </ul>	<p><b>No:</b> Trouble-shoot claim payment (e.g., days' supply?).</p> <p>Go to #6.</p>
<p>6. Is the request for two different oral triptans concurrently?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #7</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Approve for 6 months</p>
<p>7. Is this a switch in Triptan therapy due to intolerance, allergy or ineffectiveness?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Document reason for switch and override for concurrent use for 30 days.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>

*P&T Review:* 5/19 (KS); 3/16; 3/10; 9/09; 11/03; 5/03  
*Implementation:* 5/1/16, 3/23/10; 1/1/10; 7/1/06; 5/31/05; 6/30/04

## Anti-Parkinson's Agents

### Goals:

- Promote preferred drugs for Parkinson's disease.
- Restrict use for non-funded conditions (e.g., restless leg syndrome).
- To limit utilization of safinamide to FDA-approved indications.

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 12 months

### Requires PA:

- Non-preferred drugs

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Is the diagnosis Parkinson's disease or another chronic neurological condition?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
3. Is the diagnosis Restless Leg Syndrome?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.	<b>No:</b> Go to #4
4. RPh only: All other indications need to be evaluated to determine if treatment is for a funded condition.	<b>Funded:</b> Go to #5	<b>Not Funded:</b> Deny; not funded by the OHP.
5. Is this a request for continuation of therapy?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to <b>Renewal Criteria.</b>	<b>No:</b> Go to #6.
6. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?  <u>Message:</u> • Preferred products do not require PA. • Preferred products are evidence-based reviewed for comparative effectiveness & safety by the Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&T) Committee.	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class.	<b>No:</b> Go to #7
7. Does the patient have a diagnosis of Parkinson's disease and experiences "off" episodes?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #8	<b>No:</b> Approve for the shorter of 1 year or length of prescription.

## Approval Criteria

8. Is the request for safinamide?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #9	<b>No:</b> Approve for the shorter of 1 year or length of prescription.
9. Is the patient currently taking levodopa/carbidopa?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for the shorter of 1 year or length of prescription.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.

## Renewal Criteria

1. Has the patient's condition improved as assessed by the prescribing physician and physician attests to patient's improvement?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for the shorter of 1 year or length of prescription.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh; Deny; medical appropriateness.
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P&T Review: 3/18 (JP); 7/16; 9/14; 9/13; 09/10  
 Implementation: 4/16/18; 8/16, 1/1/14, 1/1/11

## Antiplatelets

**Goal:**

- Approve antiplatelet drugs for funded diagnoses which are supported by medical literature.

**Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 12 months.

**Requires PA:**

- Non-preferred drugs

**Covered Alternatives:**

- Preferred alternatives listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is the diagnosis an OHP funded diagnosis?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny, not funded by the OHP.
3. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?	<b>Yes:</b> Inform provider of preferred alternatives.	<b>No:</b> Go to #4
4. Is this continuation of hospital treatment?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 30 days only and inform provider of preferred products.	<b>No:</b> Go to #5
5. Is the request for either prasugrel or vorapaxar AND does the patient have a history of stroke, TIA or intracranial hemorrhage?	<b>Yes:</b> Deny for medical appropriateness	<b>No:</b> Approve for FDA-approved indications for up to 1 year.  If vorapaxar is requested, it should be approved only when used in combination with aspirin and/or clopidogrel. There is limited experience with other platelet inhibitor drugs or as monotherapy.

**FDA Approved Indications (July 2015)**

	2°	2°	2°	ACS	
	Stroke	PAD	MI	No PCI	PCI
ASA/DP ER	x				
clopidogrel	x	x	x	x	x
prasugrel	CI				x
ticagrelor				x	x
vorapaxar	CI	x	x		

Abbreviations: 2° = secondary prevention; ACS=Acute Coronary Syndrome; ASA/DP ER = aspirin/dipyridamole; CI=contraindication; PCI=Percutaneous Intervention; X = FDA-approved indication.

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*P&T / DUR Review:* 9/17 (MH); 7/15; 11/11  
*Implementation:* 10/15, 8/15; 7/31/14; 4/9/12

## Antivirals - Influenza

### **Goal:**

- Restrict use of extended prophylactic influenza antiviral therapy to high risk populations recognized by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Infectious Diseases Society of America (IDSA).

### **Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 30 days

### **Requires PA:**

- Non-preferred drugs
- Oseltamivir therapy for greater than 5 days

### **Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is this an OHP-funded diagnosis?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP
3. Is the antiviral agent to be used to treat a current influenza infection?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Go to #5
4. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?  <u>Message:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preferred products do not require PA</li> <li>• Preferred products are evidence-based reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Oregon Pharmacy &amp; Therapeutics Committee.</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class and approve for length of therapy or 5 days, whichever is less.	<b>No:</b> Approve based on standard FDA dosing for influenza treatment  Note: baloxavir and peramivir are FDA approved as a single dose for treatment of influenza.
5. Is the antiviral prescribed oseltamivir or zanamivir?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #6	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.

## Approval Criteria

6. Does the patient have any of the following CDC<sup>1</sup> and IDSA<sup>2</sup> criteria that may place them at increased risk for complications requiring chemoprophylaxis?

- Persons at high risk of influenza complications during the first 2 weeks following vaccination after exposure to an infectious person (6 weeks in children not previously vaccinated and require 2 doses of vaccine)
- Persons with severe immune deficiencies or others who might not respond to influenza vaccination, such as persons receiving immunosuppressive medications, after exposure to an infectious person
- Persons at high risk for complications from influenza who cannot receive influenza vaccine after exposure to an infectious person
- Residents of institutions, such as long-term care facilities, during influenza outbreaks in the institution.
- Pregnancy and women up to 2 weeks postpartum who have been in close contact with someone suspected or confirmed of having influenza

**Yes:** Approve for duration of prophylaxis or 30 days, whichever is less.

Current recommended duration of prophylaxis: 7 days (after last known exposure; minimum 2 weeks to control outbreaks in institutional settings and hospitals, and continue up to 1 week after last known exposure.

**No:** Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.

### References:

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<http://www.cdc.gov/flu/pdf/professionals/antivirals/antiviral-summary-clinician.pdf>. Accessed June 2, 2015.

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P&T/DUR Review:

1/19 (SS); 1/16; 1/12; 9/10

Implementation:

3/1/19; 4/1/18; 10/13/16; 2/12/16; 1/11

## Antivirals for Herpes Simplex Virus

### Goal(s):

- Cover oral and/or topical antivirals only for covered diagnoses.
- HSV infections are covered only when complicated by an immunocompromised host.

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 12 months (criteria specific)

### Requires PA:

- Non-preferred drugs

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

### Approval Criteria

1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?  <u>Message:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preferred products do not require a PA.</li> <li>• Preferred products are evidence-based reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Oregon Pharmacy &amp; Therapeutics Committee.</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class.	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
3. Is the diagnosis uncomplicated herpes simplex virus infection (B002; B0089; B001; B009)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Go to #6
4. Pass to RPh: Is the patient immunocompromised (document ICD10 code). Examples: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diagnosis of cancer AND currently undergoing chemotherapy or radiation. Document therapy and length of treatment.</li> <li>• Solid organ transplant</li> <li>• HIV/AIDS</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months	<b>No:</b> Go to #5

## Approval Criteria

<p>5. Is the patient currently taking an immunosuppressive drug?</p> <p>Document name of drug. If is drug not in the list below, pass to RPh for evaluation. Immunosuppressive drugs include, but are not limited to:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="2">Immunosuppressants</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td>Abatacept</td><td>Infliximab</td></tr> <tr><td>Adalimumab</td><td>Leflunomide</td></tr> <tr><td>Anakinra</td><td>Methotrexate</td></tr> <tr><td>Apremilast</td><td>Natalizumab</td></tr> <tr><td>Azathioprine</td><td>Rituximab</td></tr> <tr><td>Basiliximab</td><td>Secukinumab</td></tr> <tr><td>Certolizumab pegol</td><td>Sirolimus</td></tr> <tr><td>Cyclosporine</td><td>Tacrolimus</td></tr> <tr><td>Cyclosporine</td><td>Tocilizumab</td></tr> <tr><td>Etanercept</td><td>Tofacitinib</td></tr> <tr><td>Golimumab</td><td>Ustekinumab</td></tr> <tr><td>Hydroxychloroquine</td><td>Vedolizumab</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	Immunosuppressants		Abatacept	Infliximab	Adalimumab	Leflunomide	Anakinra	Methotrexate	Apremilast	Natalizumab	Azathioprine	Rituximab	Basiliximab	Secukinumab	Certolizumab pegol	Sirolimus	Cyclosporine	Tacrolimus	Cyclosporine	Tocilizumab	Etanercept	Tofacitinib	Golimumab	Ustekinumab	Hydroxychloroquine	Vedolizumab	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 90 days</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Go to #6.</p>
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Abatacept	Infliximab																											
Adalimumab	Leflunomide																											
Anakinra	Methotrexate																											
Apremilast	Natalizumab																											
Azathioprine	Rituximab																											
Basiliximab	Secukinumab																											
Certolizumab pegol	Sirolimus																											
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Etanercept	Tofacitinib																											
Golimumab	Ustekinumab																											
Hydroxychloroquine	Vedolizumab																											
<p>6. RPh only: All other indications need to be evaluated as to whether they are an OHP-funded condition.</p>	<p>If funded and clinic provides supporting literature, approve for length of treatment. If length of treatment is not provided, approve for 3 months.</p> <p>Note: deny non-viral diagnoses (medical appropriateness)</p>	<p>If non-funded, deny (not funded by the OHP).</p> <p>Note: Deny viral ICD-10 codes that do not appear on the OHP funding list pending a more specific diagnosis code (not funded by the OHP).</p>																										

P&T Review: 7/16 (KS); 1/14; 1/12; 9/10 (KS)  
Implementation: 8/16; 1/1/11

## Atopic Dermatitis and Topical Antipsoriatics

### Goal(s):

- Restrict dermatological drugs only for funded OHP diagnoses. Moderate/severe psoriasis and moderate/severe atopic dermatitis treatments are funded on the OHP. Treatments for mild psoriasis, seborrheic dermatitis, keratoderma and other hypertrophic and atrophic conditions of skin are not funded.

### Length of Authorization:

- From 6 to 12 months

### Requires PA:

- Non-preferred antipsoriatics
- All atopic dermatitis drugs
- STC = 92 and HIC = L1A, L5F, L9D, T0A
- This PA does not apply to biologics for psoriasis, which is subject to separate clinical PA criteria.

### Covered Alternatives:

- Preferred alternatives listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD 10 code.	
2. Is the diagnosis for seborrheic dermatitis, keratoderma or other hypertrophic and atrophic conditions of skin?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh; deny, not funded by the OHP.	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
3. Is the diagnosis psoriasis?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Go to #7
4. Is the Psoriasis Moderate/Severe? Moderate/Severe psoriasis is defined as: <sup>1</sup> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Having functional impairment (e.g. inability to use hands or feet for activities of daily living, or significant facial involvement preventing normal social interaction) and one of the following:                             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. At least 10% body surface area involved or with functional impairment and/or:</li> <li>2. Hand, foot or mucous membrane involvement</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh; deny, not funded by the OHP.

Approval Criteria		
5. Is the product requested preferred?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for length of treatment; maximum 1 year.	<b>No:</b> Go to #6
6. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?  <b>Message:</b> Preferred products are evidence-based reviewed for comparative effectiveness & safety by the Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&T) Committee.	<b>Yes:</b> Inform provider of preferred alternatives.  Approve for length of treatment; maximum 1 year.	<b>No:</b> Approve for length of treatment; maximum 1 year.
7. Is the diagnosis atopic dermatitis?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #8	<b>No:</b> Go to #12
8. Is the diagnosis Moderate/Severe Atopic Dermatitis (AD)? Moderate/Severe psoriasis is defined as: <sup>1</sup> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Having functional impairment (e.g. inability to use hands or feet for activities of daily living, or significant facial involvement preventing normal social interaction) and one of the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>At least 10% body surface area involved or with functional impairment and/or:</li> <li>Hand, foot or mucous membrane involvement</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #9	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.
9. What is the age of the patient?	<b>Age less than 2 years:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.	<b>Ages 2 years and older:</b> Go to #10
10. Does the patient meet the age requirements per the FDA label? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tacrolimus 0.1% ointment is FDA approved for patients 16 years of age and older.</li> <li>Tacrolimus 0.03% ointment, pimecrolimus 1% cream, and crisaborole ointment are FDA approved for patients 2 years of age and older.</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #11	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

## Approval Criteria

<p>11. Does the patient have a documented contraindication, intolerance or failed trials of at least 2 first line agents indicated for the treatment of moderate to severe AD (topical corticosteroids)?*</p> <p>*Note pimecrolimus and crisaborole are FDA approved to manage mild to moderate AD, while tacrolimus is FDA approved to manage moderate to severe AD.</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Document drug and dates trialed, and intolerances (if applicable):</p> <p>1. _____(dates)</p> <p>2. _____(dates)</p> <p>Approve for length of treatment; maximum 6 months.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
<p>12. RPH only: All other indications need to be evaluated as to whether they are funded by the OHP.*</p>	<p><b>If funded, or clinic provides supporting literature:</b> Approve for 1 year.</p>	<p><b>If not funded:</b> Deny, not funded by the OHP.</p>

P&T/DUR Review: 7/19 (DM); 5/19 (DM) 3/18 (DM); 9/17; 7/15; 1/15; 09/10; 9/09; 3/09; 5/07; 2/06  
Implementation: 8/19/19; 4/16/18; 10/15; 8/15; 9/13; 6/12; 9/10; 1/10; 7/09; 6/07; 9/06

\*The Health Evidence Review Commission has stipulated via Guideline Note 21 that mild, uncomplicated inflammatory skin conditions including psoriasis, atopic dermatitis, lichen planus, Darier disease, pityriasis rubra pilaris, and discoid lupus are not funded. Uncomplicated is defined as no functional impairment; and/or involving less than 10% of body surface area and no involvement of the hand, foot, or mucous membranes.

References:

1. Oregon Health Evidence Review Commission. Coverage Guidance and Reports. <http://www.oregon.gov/oha/hpa/csi-herc/pages/index.aspx> Accessed May 3, 2019.

## Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) Safety Edit

### Goals:

- Cover ADHD medications only for diagnoses funded by the OHP and medications consistent with current best practices.
- Promote care by a psychiatrist for patients requiring therapy outside of best-practice guidelines.
- Promote preferred drugs in class.

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 12 months

### Requires PA:

- Non-preferred drugs on the enforceable preferred drug list.
- Regimens prescribed outside of standard doses and age range (Tables 1 and 2)
- Non-standard polypharmacy (Table 3)

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

**Table 1. FDA-approved and OHP-funded Indications.**

Indication	STIMULANTS		NON-STIMULANTS		
	Methylphenidate and derivatives**	Amphetamine and derivatives	Atomoxetine	Clonidine ER	Guanfacine ER
ADHD	Age ≥6 years	Age ≥3 years	Age ≥6 years	Children age 6-17 years only	Children age 6-17 years only
Narcolepsy	Age ≥6 years	Age ≥6 years	Not approved	Not approved	Not approved

\*\*See Table 2 for off-label methylphenidate IR dosing for age ≥ 4 years

**Table 2. Standard Age and Maximum Daily Doses.**

Drug Type	Generic Name	Minimum Age	Maximum Age	Maximum Daily Dose (adults or children <18 years of age unless otherwise noted)
CNS Stimulant	amphetamine/dextroamphetamine salts IR	3		40 mg
CNS Stimulant	amphetamine/dextroamphetamine salts ER	6		60 mg
CNS Stimulant	dexmethylphenidate IR	6		20 mg
CNS Stimulant	dexmethylphenidate LA	6		40 mg for adults or 30 mg if age <18 years
CNS Stimulant	dextroamphetamine IR	6		40 mg
CNS Stimulant	dextroamphetamine LA	6		60 mg
CNS Stimulant	lisdexamfetamine	6		70 mg
CNS Stimulant	methamphetamine	6	17	not established
CNS Stimulant	methylphenidate IR	4		60 mg
CNS Stimulant	methylphenidate LA	6		72 mg
CNS Stimulant	methylphenidate transdermal	6	17	30 mg
Non-Stimulant	atomoxetine	6		100 mg
Non-Stimulant	clonidine LA	6	17	0.4 mg

Non-Stimulant	guanfacine LA	6	17	4 mg for adjunctive therapy in ages 6-17 years and for monotherapy in ages 6-12 years 7 mg for monotherapy in ages 13-17 years
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Abbreviations: IR = immediate-release formulation; LA = long-acting formulation (extended-release, sustained-release, etc.)

**Table 3. Standard Combination Therapy for ADHD**

Age Group	Standard Combination Therapy
Age <6 years*	Combination therapy not recommended
Age 6-17 years*	1 CNS Stimulant Formulation (LA or IR) + Guanfacine LA 1 CNS Stimulant Formulation (LA or IR) + Clonidine LA
Age ≥18 years**	Combination therapy not recommended

Abbreviations: IR = immediate-release formulation; LA = long-acting formulation (extended-release, sustained-release, etc.)

\* As recommended by the American Academy of Pediatrics 2011 Guidelines [www.pediatrics.org/cgi/doi/10.1542/peds.2011-2654](http://www.pediatrics.org/cgi/doi/10.1542/peds.2011-2654)

\*\*As identified by Drug Class Review: Pharmacologic Treatments for Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder: Drug Effectiveness Review Project, 2011.

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is the drug being used to treat an OHP-funded condition?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by OHP.
3. Is the requested drug on the PDL?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Go to #4
4. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred agent?  Message: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Preferred drugs are evidence-based reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Oregon Pharmacy &amp; Therapeutics (P&amp;T) Committee.</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of preferred alternatives	<b>No:</b> Go to #5
5. Is the request for an approved FDA diagnosis defined in Table 1?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #6	<b>No:</b> Go to #9
6. Are the patient's age and the prescribed dose within the limits defined in Table 2?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #7	<b>No:</b> Go to #9
7. Is the prescribed drug the only stimulant or non-stimulant filled in the last 30 days?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months	<b>No:</b> Go to #8
8. Is the multi-drug regimen considered a standard combination as defined in Table 3?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months	<b>No:</b> Go to #9

## Approval Criteria

9. Was the drug regimen developed by, or in consultation with, a psychiatrist, developmental pediatrician, psychiatric nurse practitioner, sleep specialist or neurologist?

**Yes:** Document name and contact information of consulting provider and approve for up to 12 months

**No:** Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.

Doses exceeding defined limits or non-recommended multi-drug regimens of stimulants and/or non-stimulants are only approved when prescribed by a psychiatrist or in consultation with a mental health specialist.

May approve continuation of existing therapy once up to 90 days to allow time to consult with a mental health specialist.

*P&T Review:* 5/19; 9/18 (JP); 5/16; 3/16; 5/14; 9/09; 12/08; 2/06; 11/05; 9/05; 5/05; 2/01; 9/00; 5/00  
*Implementation:* 11/1/2018; 10/13/16; 7/1/16; 10/9/14; 1/1/15; 9/27/14; 1/1/10; 7/1/06; 2/23/06; 11/15/05

## Becaplermin (Regranex®)

**Goal(s):**

- Restrict to indications funded by the OHP and supported by medical literature.

**Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 6 months

**Requires PA:**

- Becaplermin topical gel (Regranex®)

**Covered Alternatives:**

- No preferred alternatives

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Does the patient have an ulcer(s) (ICD10 E0842; E0942; E1042; E1142; E1342; L97109; L97209; L97309; L97409; L97509; L97809; L98419; L98429; L98499)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
3. Does the patient have diabetes mellitus?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve ONLY 15 grams for 6-month supply.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.

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P&T/DUR Review: 09/15 (AG)  
 Implementation: 10/15

## Belimumab (Benlysta®)

**Goal(s):**

- Promote use that is consistent with national clinical practice guidelines and medical evidence.

**Length of Authorization:**

- 6 months

**Requires PA:**

- Benlysta® (belimumab)

**Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD-10 code.	
2. Is the diagnosis funded by OHP?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.
3. Does the patient have severe active lupus nephritis or severe active central nervous system lupus?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness	<b>No:</b> Go to #4
4. Is this a request for continuation of therapy?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to <b>Renewal Criteria</b>	<b>No:</b> Go to #5
5. Is the patient currently on other biologic therapy or intravenous cyclophosphamide?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness. Belimumab has not been studied in combination with other biologics or intravenous cyclophosphamide.	<b>No:</b> Go to # 6
6. Is the drug being prescribed by or in consultation with a rheumatologist or a provider with experience treating SLE?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to # 7	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

## Approval Criteria

<p>7. Does the patient have active autoantibody-positive SLE and is a baseline assessment of SLE disease activity available using one of the following functional assessment tools:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SLE Index Score (SIS)</li> <li>• British Isles Lupus Assessment Group (BILAG)</li> <li>• Systemic Lupus Activity Measure (SLAM)</li> <li>• Systemic Lupus Erythematosus Disease Activity Score (SLEDAI)</li> <li>• Physicians Global Assessment (PGA)</li> <li>• Systemic Lupus International Collaborating Clinic (SLICC) Damage Index</li> </ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to # 8. Document baseline assessment _____.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
<p>8. Is the patient currently receiving standard of care treatment for Systemic Lupus Erythematosus (SLE) e.g., hydroxychloroquine, systemic corticosteroids, non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, azathioprine, mycophenolate, or methotrexate?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for 6 months.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness. Belimumab has not been studied as monotherapy in patients with SLE.</p>

## Renewal Criteria

<p>1. Is the patient currently on other biologic therapy or intravenous cyclophosphamide?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness. Belimumab has not been studied in combination with other biologics or intravenous cyclophosphamide.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #2</p>
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## Renewal Criteria

2. Has the patient's SLE disease activity improved as assessed by one of the following functional assessment tools:

- SLE Index Score (SIS)
- British Isles Lupus Assessment Group (BILAG)
- Systemic Lupus Activity Measure (SLAM)
- Systemic Lupus Erythematosus Disease Activity Score (SLEDAI)
- Physicians Global Assessment (PGA)
- Systemic Lupus International Collaborating Clinic (SLICC) Damage Index

**Yes:** Approve for 6 months.

**No:** Pass to RPh; Deny; medical appropriateness.

*P&T/DUR Review:* 5/18 (DM)  
*Implementation:* 7/1/18

## Benign Prostatic Hypertrophy (BPH) Medications

### Goal(s):

- BPH with urinary obstruction is an OHP-funded treatment only when post-void residuals are 150 mL or more.
- Restrict use for male pattern baldness and erectile dysfunction, which are not OHP-funded conditions.

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 12 months

### Requires PA:

- Non-preferred drugs

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Will the prescriber consider switching to a preferred product?  Message: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preferred products do not require a PA.</li> <li>• Preferred products are evidence-based reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Oregon Pharmacy &amp; Therapeutics Committee.</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class.	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
3. Is the request for continuation of therapy previously approved by the FFS program?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to <b>Renewal Criteria</b>	<b>No:</b> Go to #4
4. Is the request for an alpha-1 blocker, and does the patient have a diagnosis related to functional and mechanical disorders of the genitourinary system including bladder outlet obstruction?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Go to #6
5. Has the patient tried and failed a 2-month trial of a preferred alpha-1 blocker?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve an alpha-1 blocker for up to 12 months	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny until patient has tried and failed a covered alternative
6. Does the patient have a diagnosis of benign prostatic hypertrophy (BPH) or enlarged prostate with obstruction?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months	<b>No:</b> Go to #7

## Approval Criteria

7. Does the patient have a diagnosis of unspecified urinary obstruction or BPH without obstruction?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Go to #8
<p>8. RPh Only: All other conditions need to be evaluated to see if diagnosis is funded:</p> <p><b>Funded:</b> covered diagnoses related to prostate may be approved for 1 year.  <b>Not Funded:</b> unfunded diagnoses (e.g., hair growth, erectile dysfunction) should be denied (not funded by the OHP).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Alpha-1 blockers and 5-alpha reductase inhibitors may be used concurrently for BPH up to 1 year. Alpha-1 blockers may be discontinued once prostate is reduced to normal size.</li> <li>If urine retention (obstructive), ask for more specific diagnosis.</li> </ul>		

## Renewal Criteria

1. Is the request for an alpha-1 blocker and does the patient have a diagnosis related to functional and mechanical disorders of the genitourinary system including bladder outlet obstruction?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #2	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
2. Has the patient also been taking a 5-alpha reductase inhibitor for the last year?	<b>Yes:</b> Recommend against combination therapy exceeding 1 year.	<b>No:</b> Approve for the shorter of 12 months or length of the prescription
3. Does the patient have a diagnosis of BPH or enlarged prostate with obstruction?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months	<b>No:</b> Go to #4
4. Does the patient have a diagnosis of unspecified urinary obstruction or benign prostatic hyperplasia without obstruction?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Go to #5
<p>5. RPh only:  All other indications need to be evaluated as to whether they are a funded condition:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Alpha Blockers and 5-alpha reductase inhibitors may be used concurrently for BPH up to 1 year. Alpha-blockers may be discontinued once prostate is reduced to normal size.</li> <li>If urine retention, obstructive, ask for more specific diagnosis.</li> </ul>	If funded and clinic provides supporting literature, approve for up to 12 months.	If non-funded, deny (not funded by the OHP).

P&T Review: 7/16 (KS); 11/12; 9/10; 3/10; 5/08; 2/06  
Implementation: 8/16, 2/21/13; 1/1/11; 4/20/10; 5/22/08; 7/1/06; 9/30/05

## Benzodiazepines

**Goal(s):**

- Approve only for OHP-funded diagnoses.
- Prevent inappropriate long-term benzodiazepine use beyond 4 weeks for new starts (no history within the last 120 days).
- Approve long-term use only for indications supported by the medical literature.

**Length of Authorization:**

- 1 month to 12 months (criteria-specific)

**Requires PA:**

- All benzodiazepines used beyond 4 weeks. Short-term use does not require PA.

**Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Does the patient have a malignant neoplasm or other end-of-life diagnosis (ICD10 C00.xx-D49.xx or Z51.5)?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 12 months	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
3. Is the diagnosis an OHP-funded diagnosis?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.
4. Does the patient have a seizure disorder diagnosis or is the patient enrolled in a program for short-term outpatient management of alcohol withdrawal syndrome?  Note: benzodiazepines are not indicated for alcohol dependence.	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 12 months for seizure disorder or up to 1 month for alcohol withdrawal	<b>No:</b> Go to #5

## Approval Criteria

<p>5. Is the prescriber enrolled in the Oregon Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (<a href="http://www.orpdmp.com">www.orpdmp.com</a>) and has the prescriber evaluated the PDMP at least once in the past 3 months for this patient?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #6</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>
<p>6. Is the request for continuation of therapy previously approved by the FFS program?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to <b>Renewal Criteria</b></p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #7</p>
<p>7. Is the request for treatment of post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD)?</p> <p>Note: Risks of benzodiazepine treatment outweigh benefits for patients with PTSD. Treatment with benzodiazepines is not recommended.</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #8</p>
<p>8. Is the request for treatment of anxiety or panic disorder?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #9</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #10</p>
<p>9. Is the medication prescribed by or in consultation with a prescribing mental health specialist OR does the patient have a documented trial and failure, contraindication, intolerance, or inability to access recommended first-line treatment options including antidepressants AND psychotherapy (e.g. behavioral therapy, relaxation response training, mindfulness meditation training, eye movement desensitization and reprocessing)?</p> <p>Note: An adequate trial to determine efficacy of an SSRI or SNRI is 4-6 weeks.</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #12</p> <p>Document trial, contraindication, or intolerance to treatment options.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh; Deny; medical appropriateness.</p> <p>Recommend adequate trial of first-line therapies.</p> <p>If provider requests short-term approval with a plan to start additional therapy, approval may be granted for up to 3 months. Subsequent requests must document experience with first-line treatment options.</p>
<p>10. Is the request for treatment of psychosis, schizophrenia or schizoaffective disorder?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #11</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #12</p>

## Approval Criteria

<p>11. Is the medication prescribed by or in consultation with a prescribing mental health specialist OR does the patient have an adequate trial and failure, contraindication, intolerance, or inability to access recommended first-line treatment options including second-generation antipsychotics AND psychotherapy (e.g. counseling, cognitive behavioral therapy, social skills training, or psychoeducation)?</p> <p>Note: For continued symptoms, assess adherence and dose optimization. For patients on an adequate dose of antipsychotic, guidelines recommend trial of a second antipsychotic or augmentation with a mood stabilizer.</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #12</p> <p>Document trial, contraindication, or intolerance to treatment options.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh; Deny; medical appropriateness.</p> <p>Recommend adequate trial of first-line therapies.</p> <p>If provider requests short-term approval with a plan to start additional therapy, approval may be granted for up to 3 months. Subsequent requests must document experience with first-line treatment options.</p>
<p>12. Is the patient on a concurrent sedative, hypnotic, muscle relaxant, or opioid?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #13</p>
<p>13. RPh only: Is there appropriate rationale to support long-term benzodiazepine use for this indication?</p> <p>For anxiety, panic disorder, or schizophrenia, provider rationale should include information from relevant chart notes.</p> <p>For other diagnoses, provider must document supporting medical literature.</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 6 months.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>

## Renewal Criteria

<p>1. Is the request for a decrease in daily dose OR a change in drug with the intent to taper the dose?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 6 months or length of taper, whichever is less.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #2</p>
<p>2. Is the request for an increase in dose?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #3</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #4</p>

## Renewal Criteria

<p>3. Has the patient failed all clinically appropriate first-line adjunct treatment options OR, when applicable, is the patient adherent to recommended first-line treatment options for their condition?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #4</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh; Deny; medical appropriateness.</p> <p>Recommend trial of alternative therapies.</p> <p>If provider requests short-term approval with a plan to start additional therapy, approval may be granted for up to 3 months. Subsequent requests must document experience with first-line treatment options.</p>
<p>4. Is there documentation based on medical records that provider and patient have discussed whether benefits of long-term therapy (e.g. symptom improvement, social function, number of hospitalizations, etc) continue to outweigh risks of therapy (e.g. sedation, dependence, cognitive dysfunction and/or psychiatric instability)?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh; Deny; medical appropriateness.</p> <p>Recommend trial of gradual taper plan. Approval may be granted for up to 3 months to allow time to develop a taper plan. Subsequent requests must document progress toward taper.</p>

P&T Review: 3/19 (SS); 9/18, 3/14  
 Implementation: 5/1/19; 11/1/2018; 5/1/16

## Bezlotoxumab (Zinplava™)

### Goal(s):

- To optimize appropriate prevention of recurrent *Clostridium difficile*-associated infection.

### Length of Authorization:

- One-time infusion

### Requires PA:

- Bezlotoxumab (physician administered and pharmacy claims)

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

### Approval Criteria

1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Does the patient have a diagnosis of <b>recurrent</b> <i>Clostridium difficile</i> -associated infection (CDI)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
3. Is the patient currently receiving vancomycin or fidaxomicin?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for one dose	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

P&T / DUR Review: 5/18(DM)  
Implementation: 7/1/18

## Biologics for Autoimmune Diseases

### Goal(s):

- Restrict use of biologics to OHP funded conditions and according to OHP guidelines for use.
- Promote use that is consistent with national clinical practice guidelines and medical evidence.
- Promote use of high value products.

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 12 months

### Requires PA:

- All biologics for autoimmune diseases (both pharmacy and physician-administered claims)

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

**Table 1.** Approved and Funded Indications for Biologic Immunosuppressants.

Drug Name	Ankylosing Spondylitis	Crohn's Disease	Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis	Plaque Psoriasis	Psoriatic Arthritis	Rheumatoid Arthritis	Ulcerative Colitis	Other
Abatacept (ORENCIA)			≥2 yo		≥18 yo	≥18 yo		
Adalimumab (HUMIRA) and biosimilars	≥18 yo	≥6 yo (Humira) ≥18 yo (biosimilars)	≥2 yo (Humira) ≥4 yo (biosimilars)	≥18 yo	≥18 yo	≥18 yo	≥18 yo	Uveitis (non-infectious) ≥2 yo (Humira)
Anakinra (KINERET)						≥18 yo		NOMID
Apremilast (OTEZLA)				≥18 yo	≥18 yo			
Baricitinib (OLUMIANT)						≥18 yo		
Broadalumab (SILIQ)				≥18 yo				
Canakinumab (ILARIS)			≥2 yo					FCAS ≥4 yo MWS ≥4 yo TRAPS ≥4yo HIDS ≥4 yo MKD ≥4 yo FMF ≥4 yo
Certolizumab (CIMZIA)	≥18 yo	≥18 yo		≥18 yo	≥18 yo	≥18 yo		
Etanercept (ENBREL) and biosimilars	≥18 yo		≥2 yo	≥4 yo (Enbrel) ≥18 yo (biosimilars)	≥18 yo	≥18 yo		
Golimumab (SIMPONI and SIMPONI ARIA)	≥18 yo				≥18 yo	≥18 yo	≥18 yo (Simponi)	
Guselkumab (Tremfya)				≥18 yo				
Infliximab	≥18 yo	≥6 yo		≥18 yo	≥18 yo	≥18 yo	≥6 yo	

(REMICADE) and biosimilars							(Remicade & biosimilars)	
Ixekizumab (TALTZ)				≥18 yo	≥18 yo			
Rituximab (RITUXAN)						≥18 yo		CLL ≥18 yo NHL ≥18 yo GPA ≥18 yo Pemphigus Vulgaris ≥18 yo
Risankizumab-rzaa (SKYRIZI)				≥18 yo				
Sarilumab (KEVZARA)						≥18 yo		
Secukinumab (COSENTYX)	≥18 yo			≥18 yo	≥18 yo			
Tildrakizumab-asmn (ILUMYA)				≥18 yo				
Tocilizumab (ACTEMRA)			≥2 yo			≥18 yo		CRS ≥2 yo GCA ≥18 yo
Tofacitinib (XELJANZ)					≥18 yo	≥18 yo	≥18 yo	
Ustekinumab (STELARA)		≥18 yo		≥12 yo	≥18 yo			
Vedolizumab (ENTYVIO)		≥18 yo					≥18 yo	

Abbreviations: CLL = Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia; CRS = Cytokine Release Syndrome; FCAS = Familial Cold Autoinflammatory Syndrome; FMF = Familial Mediterranean Fever; GCA = Giant Cell Arteritis; GPA = Granulomatosis with Polyangiitis (Wegener's Granulomatosis); HIDS: Hyperimmunoglobulin D Syndrome; MKD = Mevalonate Kinase Deficiency; MWS = Muckle-Wells Syndrome; NHL = Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma; NOMID = Neonatal Onset Multi-Systemic Inflammatory Disease; TRAPS = Tumor Necrosis Factor Receptor Associated Periodic Syndrome; yo = years old.

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD-10 code.	
2. Is the diagnosis funded by OHP?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.
3. Is this a request for continuation of therapy?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to <b>Renewal Criteria</b>	<b>No:</b> Go to #4

## Approval Criteria

<p>4. Is the request for a non-preferred product and will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?</p> <p><u>Message:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Preferred products are reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Oregon Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee.</li></ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of preferred alternatives.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #5</p>
<p>5. Has the patient been annually screened for latent or active tuberculosis and if positive, started tuberculosis treatment?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #6</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p> <p>May approve for up to 3 months to allow time for screening.</p>

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<p>6. Is the diagnosis Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis, non-Hodgkin Lymphoma, Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia, Non-infectious Posterior Uveitis, or one of the following syndromes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Familial Cold Autoinflammatory Syndrome</li> <li>• Muckle-Wells Syndrome</li> <li>• Neonatal Onset Multi-Systemic Inflammatory Disease</li> <li>• Tumor Necrosis Factor Receptor Associated Periodic Syndrome</li> <li>• Hyperimmunoglobulin D Syndrome</li> <li>• Mevalonate Kinase Deficiency</li> <li>• Familial Mediterranean Fever</li> <li>• Giant Cell Arteritis</li> <li>• Cytokine Release Syndrome</li> </ul> <p>AND</p> <p>Is the request for a drug FDA-approved for one of these conditions as defined in Table 1?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for length of treatment.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #7</p>
<p>7. Is the diagnosis ankylosing spondylitis and the request for a drug FDA-approved for this condition as defined in Table 1?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #8</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #9</p>
<p>8. If the request is for a non-preferred agent, has the patient failed to respond or had inadequate response to a Humira® product or an Enbrel® product after a trial of at least 3 months?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 6 months. Document therapy with dates.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>

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<p>9. Is the diagnosis plaque psoriasis and the request for a drug FDA-approved for this condition as defined in Table 1?</p> <p>Note: Only treatment for <i>severe</i> plaque psoriasis is funded by the OHP.</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #10</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #12</p>
<p>10. Is the plaque psoriasis severe in nature, which has resulted in functional impairment (e.g., inability to use hands or feet for activities of daily living, or significant facial involvement preventing normal social interaction) <u>and</u> one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• At least 10% body surface area involvement; <u>or</u></li><li>• Hand, foot or mucous membrane involvement?</li></ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #11</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.</p>

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<p>11. Has the patient failed to respond or had inadequate response to each of the following first-line treatments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Topical high potency corticosteroid (e.g., betamethasone dipropionate 0.05%, clobetasol propionate 0.05%, fluocinonide 0.05%, halcinonide 0.1%, halobetasol propionate 0.05%; triamcinolone 0.5%); <u>and</u></li> <li>• At least one other topical agent: calcipotriene, tazarotene, anthralin; <u>and</u></li> <li>• Phototherapy; <u>and</u></li> <li>• At least one other systemic therapy: acitretin, cyclosporine, or methotrexate; <u>and</u></li> <li>• One biologic agent: either a Humira® product or an Enbrel® product for at least 3 months?</li> </ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 6 months.</p> <p>Document each therapy with dates.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>
<p>12. Is the diagnosis rheumatoid arthritis or psoriatic arthritis and the request for a drug FDA-approved for these conditions as defined in Table 1?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #13</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #17</p>

## Approval Criteria

<p>13. Has the patient failed to respond or had inadequate response to at least one of the following medications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Methotrexate, leflunomide, sulfasalazine or hydroxychloroquine for ≥ 6 months; <u>or</u></li> <li>• Have a documented intolerance or contraindication to disease-modifying antirheumatic drugs (DMARDs)?</li> </ul> <p>AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Had treatment failure with at least one biologic agent: a Humira® product or an Enbrel® product for at least 3 months?</li> </ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #14</p> <p>Document each therapy with dates.</p> <p>If applicable, document intolerance or contraindication(s).</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>
<p>14. Is the request for tofacitinib?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #16</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #15</p>
<p>15. Is the patient on concurrent DMARD therapy with plans to continue concomitant use OR does the patient have documented intolerance or contraindication to DMARDs?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 6 months.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p> <p>Biologic therapy is recommended in combination with DMARDs (e.g. methotrexate) for those who have had inadequate response with DMARDs.</p>

## Approval Criteria

<p>16. Is the patient currently on other biologic therapy or on a potent immunosuppressant like azathioprine, tacrolimus or cyclosporine?</p> <p><u>Note:</u> Tofacitinib may be used concurrently with methotrexate or other oral DMARD drugs.</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Approve for up to 6 months at a maximum dose of 10 or 11 mg daily for Rheumatoid Arthritis OR</p> <p>10 mg twice daily for 8 weeks then 5 or 10 mg twice daily for Ulcerative Colitis</p>
<p>17. Is the diagnosis Crohn's disease or ulcerative colitis and the request for a drug FDA-approved for these conditions as defined in Table 1?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #18</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #19</p>
<p>18. Has the patient failed to respond or had inadequate response to at least one of the following conventional immunosuppressive therapies for <math>\geq 6</math> months:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mercaptopurine, azathioprine, or budesonide; <u>or</u></li> <li>• Have a documented intolerance or contraindication to conventional therapy?</li> </ul> <p>AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Has the patient tried and failed a 3 month trial of a Humira<sup>®</sup> product?</li> </ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months.</p> <p>Document each therapy with dates.</p> <p>If applicable, document intolerance or contraindication(s).</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>
<p>19. Is the diagnosis Granulomatosis with Polyangiitis or Microscopic Polyangiitis and the requested drug rituximab for <i>induction or maintenance</i> of remission?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for length of treatment.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>

## Renewal Criteria

1. Is the request for treatment of psoriatic arthritis or rheumatoid arthritis?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #2	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
2. Has the patient been adherent to both biologic and DMARD therapy?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
3. Has the patient's condition improved as assessed by the prescribing provider and provider attests to patient's improvement.	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 6 months.  Document baseline assessment and provider attestation received.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh; Deny; medical appropriateness.

*P&T/DUR Review:* 5/19; 1/19 (DM); 1/18; 7/17; 11/16; 9/16; 3/16; 7/15; 9/14; 8/12  
*Implementation:* 7/1/2019; 3/1/19; 3/1/18; 9/1/17; 1/1/17; 9/27/14; 2/21/13

## Bone Resorption Inhibitors and Related Agents

### Goal(s):

- To ensure appropriate drug use and safety of bone resorption suppression agents by authorizing utilization in specified patient populations.

### Length of Authorization:

- 12 to 24 months

### Requires PA:

- Non-preferred drugs

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

### Approval Criteria

1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is this an OHP-funded condition?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP
3. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?  <u>Note:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Preferred products do not require a PA.</li> <li>Preferred products are evidence-based reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Oregon Pharmacy &amp; Therapeutics Committee</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class	<b>No:</b> Go to #4
4. Has the patient tried and failed an oral bisphosphonate (alendronate, risedronate, or ibandronate) or do they have contraindications to these treatments?  (document contraindication, if any)	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh; deny and recommend trial of oral bisphosphonate
5. Is the request for raloxifene?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #6	<b>No:</b> Go to #7

## Approval Criteria

<p>6. Is the patient pregnant and/or at increased risk for thromboembolism or stroke?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p> <p>Note: inform prescriber of pregnancy category X and boxed warning for venous thromboembolism and stroke.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Approve for up to 12 months</p>
<p>7. Is the request for teriparatide and is the patient at high risk for fracture?</p> <p>Examples include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Postmenopausal women with osteoporosis and T-score <math>\leq</math> - 2.5 or history of fracture</li> <li>• Men with primary or hypogonadal osteoporosis*</li> <li>• Men or women with osteoporosis associated with sustained systemic glucocorticoid therapy</li> </ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #10</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #8</p>
<p>8. Is the request for abaloparatide and is the patient a postmenopausal woman aged 49 to 86 years with osteoporosis at high risk for fracture?</p> <p>Inclusion criteria from the ACTIVE<sup>1</sup> trial:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Women with T score between - 2.5 and -5.0 AND radiologic evidence of vertebral fracture or history of nonvertebral fracture within the past 5 years OR</li> <li>• Women aged 65 years or older with T score between -3.0 and -5.0 without history of fracture OR T score between -2.0 and 5.0 with history of fracture.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #9</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Go to #11</p>

## Approval Criteria

<p>9. Has the patient received treatment with anticonvulsants that affect Vitamin D metabolism (phenobarbital, phenytoin, carbamazepine or primidone) or with chronic heparin within the past 6 months OR has the patient received daily treatment with oral, intranasal, or inhaled corticosteroids in the past 12 months?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness. (These patients were excluded from the ACTIVE<sup>1</sup> trial)</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #10.</p>
<p>10. Does the patient meet one of the following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Concomitant bisphosphonate; or</li> <li>b. Pediatric or young adult with open epiphyses; or</li> <li>c. History of osteosarcoma or skeletal malignancies; or</li> <li>d. Metabolic bone disease; or</li> <li>e. Underlying hypercalcemic disorders; or</li> <li>f. Unexplained elevated alkaline phosphatase levels?</li> </ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Approve for up to 24 months (depending on when therapy was initiated. Teriparatide and abaloparatide are only FDA approved for a total duration of therapy of 2 years.)</p>
<p>11. RPh only: All other indications need to be evaluated as to whether they are funded by the OHP or not.</p>	<p>If funded and clinic provides supporting literature, approve for up to 12 months</p>	<p>If non-funded, deny; not funded by the OHP</p>

P&T Review: 3/18 (DM); 7/16; 9/10  
Implementation: 4/16/18; 8/16, 1/1/11

\* FDA approved osteoporosis treatments for men include alendronate, risedronate, zoledronic acid, teriparatide, and denosumab.  
1. Miller PD, Hattersley G, Riis BJ, et al. Effect of Abaloparatide vs Placebo on New Vertebral Fractures in Postmenopausal Women With Osteoporosis: A Randomized Clinical Trial. *JAMA*.316 (7):722-733.

## Botulinum Toxins

### Goal(s):

- Approve botulinum toxins for funded OHP conditions supported by evidence of benefit.
- Require positive response to therapy for use in chronic migraine headaches or overactive bladder.

### Length of Authorization:

- From 90 days to 12 months

### Requires PA:

- Use of botulinum toxins (billed as a physician administered or pharmacy claim) without associated dystonia or neurological disease diagnosis in last 12 months.

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

### Approval Criteria

1. Is this a request for renewal of a previously approved prior authorization for management of migraine headache or detrusor over-activity (e.g., overactive bladder)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to <b>Renewal Criteria</b>	<b>No:</b> Go to #2
2. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	

## Approval Criteria

<p>3. Is botulinum toxin treatment for any of the following?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Upper or lower limb spasticity (G24.02, G24.1, G35, G36.0, I69.03- I69.06 and categories G71, and G80-G83);</li> <li>b. Strabismus due to a neurological disorder (H50.89);</li> <li>c. Blepharospasm (G24.5);</li> <li>d. Spasmodic torticollis (G24.3);</li> <li>e. Torsion dystonia (G24.9); or</li> <li>f. Achalasia (K22.0).</li> </ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #4</p>
<p>4. Is botulinum toxin treatment for chronic migraine, with <math>\geq 15</math> headache days per month, of which <math>\geq 8</math> days are with migraine?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #5</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #8</p>
<p>5. Is the botulinum toxin administered by, or in consultation with, a neurologist or headache specialist?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #6</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>
<p>6. Has the patient had an inadequate response, or has contraindications, to at least 3 pharmacological prophylaxis therapies?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Beta-blockers</li> <li>• Tricyclic antidepressants</li> <li>• Anticonvulsants</li> </ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #7</p> <p>Baseline headaches/month: _____.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness. Recommend trial of preferred alternatives at <a href="http://www.orpd.org/drugs/">www.orpd.org/drugs/</a></p>

## Approval Criteria

<p>7. Do chart notes indicate headaches are due to medication overuse?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Approve no more than 2 injections given <math>\geq 3</math> months apart.</p> <p>Additional treatment requires <u>documented</u> positive response to therapy from baseline (see Renewal Criteria).</p>
<p>8. Is botulinum toxin treatment for idiopathic or neurogenic detrusor over-activity (ICD10-CM N32.81)?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #9</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Go to #10</p>
<p>9. Has the patient had an inadequate response to, or is intolerant of, <math>\geq 2</math> incontinence anti-muscarinic drugs (e.g., fesoterodine, oxybutynin, solifenacin, darifenacin, tolterodine, or trospium)?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Baseline urine frequency/day: _____.</li> <li>• Baseline urine incontinence episodes/day: _____.</li> </ul> <p>Approve for up to 90 days.</p> <p>Additional treatment requires <u>documented</u> positive response to therapy from baseline (see Renewal Criteria).</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>

## Approval Criteria

10. RPh only: Medical literature with evidence for use in funded conditions must be submitted and determined to be appropriate for use before approval is granted.

### **Deny for the following conditions; not funded by the OHP**

Axillary hyperhidrosis and palmar hyperhidrosis (ICD-10 L74.52, R61)  
Neurologic conditions with none or minimally effective treatment or treatment not necessary (G244; G2589; G2581; G2589; G259);  
Facial nerve disorders (G510-G519);  
Spastic dysphonia (J387);  
Anal fissure (K602);  
Disorders of sweat glands (e.g., focal hyperhidrosis) (L301; L740-L759; R61);  
Other disorders of cervical region (M436; M4802; M530; M531; M5382; M5402; M5412; M542; M6788);  
Acute and chronic disorders of the spine without neurologic impairment (M546; M545; M4327; M4328; M532X7; M532X8; M533; M438X9; M539; M5408; M545; M5430; M5414-M5417; M5489; M549);

Disorders of soft tissue (M5410; M609; M790-M792; M797);  
Headaches (G44209; G44009; G44019; G44029; G44039; G44049; G44059; G44099; G44209; G44219; G44221; G44229; G44309; G44319; G44329; G4441; G4451-G4453; G4459; G4481-G4489; G441; R51);  
Gastroparesis (K3184)  
Lateral epicondylitis (tennis elbow) (M7710-M7712)

### **Deny for medical appropriateness because evidence of benefit is insufficient**

Dysphagia (R130; R1310-R1319);  
Other extrapyramidal disease and abnormal movement disorders (G10; G230-GG238; G2401; G244; G250-G26);  
Other disorders of binocular eye movements (e.g., esotropia, exotropia, mechanical strabismus, etc.) (H4900-H518);  
Tics (F950-F952; F959);  
Laryngeal spasm (J385);  
Spinal stenosis in cervical region or brachial neuritis or radiculitis NOS (M4802; M5412-M5413);  
Spasm of muscle in absence of neurological diagnoses (M6240-M62838);  
Contracture of tendon (sheath) in absence of neurological diagnoses (M6240; M62838);  
Amyotrophic sclerosis (G1221);  
Clinically significant spinal deformity or disorders of spine with neurological impairment (M4800; M4804; M4806; M4808; M5414-M5417);  
Essential tremor (G25.0)  
Hemifacial spasm (G513)  
Occupational dystonias (e.g., "Writer's cramp") (G248, G249)  
Hyperplasia of the prostate (N400-403; N4283)  
Conditions of the back and spine for the treatment of conditions on lines 346 and 527, including cervical, thoracic, lumbar and sacral conditions. See Guideline Note 37.

Renewal Criteria		
1. Is this a request for renewal of a previously approved prior authorization for management of migraine headache?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #2	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
2. Is there documentation of a reduction of $\geq 7$ headache days per month compared to baseline headache frequency?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve no more than 2 injections given $\geq 3$ months apart.  Baseline: _____ headaches/month Current: _____ headaches/month	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
3. Is this a request for renewal of a previously approved prior authorization for management of idiopathic or neurogenic detrusor over-activity?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Go to Approval Criteria
4. Is there a reduction of urinary frequency of $\geq 8$ episodes per day or urinary incontinence of $\geq 2$ episodes per day compared to baseline frequency?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Baseline: _____ urine frequency/day</li> <li>• Current: _____ urine frequency/day</li> </ul> -or- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Baseline: _____ urine incontinence episodes/day</li> <li>• Current: _____ urine incontinence episodes/day</li> </ul>	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

P&T / DUR Review: 5/19 (KS); 9/18; 5/18; 11/15; 9/14; 7/14  
 Implementation: 11/1/2018; 7/1/18; 10/13/16; 1/1/16

## Brexanolone (Zulresso)

**Goal(s):**

- To ensure appropriate use of brexanolone in patient with post-partum depression.

**Length of Authorization:**

- One time use only.

**Requires PA:**

- Brexanolone requires a prior authorization approval due to safety concerns (pharmacy and physician administered claims)

**Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is this an FDA approved indication?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
3. Is the diagnosis funded by OHP?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP
4. Is the patient an adult with moderate to severe post-partum depression?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
5. Has the patient had an adequate trial (6-8 weeks) of an oral antidepressant?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for a single, continuous, intravenous infusion over 60 hours (titrated per prescribing recommendations)	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; recommend trial of oral antidepressant

*P&T/DUR Review: 7/19 (KS)  
Implementation: 8/19/19*

## Buprenorphine and Buprenorphine/Naloxone

### Goals:

- Encourage use of buprenorphine products on the Preferred Drug List.
- Restrict use of buprenorphine products under this PA to management of opioid use disorder.
- Restrict use of oral transmucosal buprenorphine monotherapy products (without naloxone) to pregnant patients or females actively trying to conceive.

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 6 months

### Requires PA:

- Buprenorphine sublingual tablets
- Suboxone® and generics (buprenorphine/naloxone) film and sublingual tablets that exceed an average daily dose of 24 mg per day of buprenorphine
- Bunavail® (buprenorphine/naloxone buccal film)
- Zubsolv® (buprenorphine/naloxone sublingual tablets)
- Probuphine® (buprenorphine subdermal implants)
- Sublocade™ (buprenorphine extended-release subcutaneous injection)

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. Is the diagnosis funded by the OHP?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #2	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by OHP
2. Is the request for renewal of therapy previously approved by the FFS system?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to <b>Renewal Criteria</b>	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
3. Is the prescription for opioid use disorder (opioid dependence or addiction)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

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<p>4. Is the patient part of a comprehensive treatment program for substance abuse that includes psychosocial support system (e.g. individual and group counseling, intensive outpatient treatment, recovery support services, or 12-step fellowship)?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #5</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p> <p>Buprenorphine therapy must be part of a comprehensive treatment program that includes psychosocial support.</p>
<p>5. Is the prescriber enrolled in the Oregon Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (www.orpdmp.com), evaluated the PDMP at least once in the past 6 months, and verified that the patient is not currently prescribed any opioid analgesics from other prescribers?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #6</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
<p>6. Is the requested medication a preferred agent?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #8</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #7</p>
<p>7. Will the prescriber switch to a preferred product?</p> <p>Note: Preferred products are reviewed for comparative safety and efficacy by the Oregon Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee.</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #8</p>
<p>8. Is the request for the buprenorphine implant system (Probuphine)?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #9</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #10</p>
<p>9. Has the patient been <i>clinically stable</i> on 8 mg daily or less of Suboxone or Subutex (or equivalent, see Table 1) for at least 6 months?</p> <p>Note: see Table 1 for definition of clinical stability and for equivalent dosing of other buprenorphine products.</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> If <u>all</u> criteria in Table 1 met, approve 4 implants for 6 months.</p> <p>Note: Notify prescriber concomitant naloxone is recommended if not present in claims history.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
<p>10. Is the request for extended-release subcutaneous buprenorphine injection (Sublocade™)?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #11</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to # 13</p>

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<p>11. Is the provider registered through the Sublocade™ REMS program?</p> <p>Note: Sublocade carries a boxed warning that stipulates healthcare settings and pharmacies that order and dispense Sublocade™ must be certified in the Sublocade™ REMS program and comply with the REMS requirements due to serious harm or death if this product is administered intravenously. Prescriber offices that only order Sublocade from a certified pharmacy for a specific patient are exempt from certification. Further information is available at <a href="http://www.SublocadeREMS.com">www.SublocadeREMS.com</a> or call 1-866-258-3905.</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #12</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>
<p>12. Has the patient been clinically stable on a transmucosal buprenorphine-containing product at a dose of 8 to 24 buprenorphine per day (or equivalent-see note below) for a minimum of 7 days?</p> <p>Note: One Suboxone® (buprenorphine and naloxone) 8 mg/2 mg sublingual tablet provides equivalent buprenorphine exposure to one Subutex® (buprenorphine HCl) 8 mg sublingual tablet or one Bunavail® (buprenorphine and naloxone) 4.2mg/0.7 mg buccal film or one Zubsolv® (buprenorphine and naloxone) 5.7 mg/1.4 mg sublingual tablet</p> <p>Note: Notify prescriber concomitant naloxone is recommended if not present in claims history.</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve 300mg once a month for 2 months followed by 100mg once a month for 6 months total</p> <p>Increasing the maintenance dose to 300mg once a month may be considered for patients who tolerate the 100mg dose but do not demonstrate a satisfactory clinical response as evidenced by self-reported illicit opioid use or urine drug screens positive for illicit opioid use.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>
<p>13. Is the prescription for a transmucosal formulation of buprenorphine (film, tablet) with an average daily dose of more than 24 mg (e.g., &gt;24 mg/day or &gt;48 mg every other day)?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #14</p>

Approval Criteria		
14. Is the prescribed product a buprenorphine monotherapy product (i.e., without naloxone)	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #15	<b>No:</b> Go to #17
15. Is the patient pregnant or a female actively trying to conceive?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #17	<b>No:</b> Go to #16
16. Does the patient have a contraindication or intolerance to buprenorphine/naloxone combination products that prevents successful management of opioid use disorder?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #17	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
17. What is the expected length of treatment?	Document length of therapy: _____ Approve for anticipated length of treatment or 6 months, whichever is shorter. Note: Notify prescriber concomitant naloxone is recommended if not present in claims history.	

Renewal Criteria		
1. Has the patient been assessed for the effectiveness of the treatment plan and overall progress that warrants continued treatment with buprenorphine?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to # 2.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
2. Is the prescriber enrolled in the Oregon Prescription Drug Monitoring Program ( <a href="http://www.orpdmp.com">www.orpdmp.com</a> ), and has the prescriber verified evaluated the PDMP at least once in the past 6 months, and verified that the patient is not currently has not been prescribed any opioid analgesics from other prescribers?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
3. Does the patient have a contraindication or intolerance to buprenorphine/naloxone combination products that prevents successful management of opioid use disorder?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to # 4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

## Renewal Criteria

4. What is the expected length of treatment?

Document length of therapy: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Approve for anticipated length of treatment or 6 months, whichever is shorter.

Note: Notify prescriber concomitant naloxone is recommended if not present in claims history.

Table 1. Criteria for Approved Use of Probuphine (buprenorphine implant).<sup>1</sup>

PROBUPHINE implants are only for use in patients who meet ALL of the following criteria:

- Patients should not be tapered to a lower dose for the sole purpose of transitioning to PROBUPHINE
- Stable transmucosal buprenorphine dose (of 8 mg per day or less of a sublingual Subutex or Suboxone sublingual tablet or its transmucosal buprenorphine product equivalent) for 3 months or longer without any need for supplemental dosing or adjustments:
  - Examples of acceptable daily doses of transmucosal buprenorphine include:
    - Subutex (buprenorphine) sublingual tablet (generic equivalent) 8 mg or less
    - Suboxone (buprenorphine and naloxone) sublingual tablet (generic equivalent) 8 mg/2 mg or less
    - Bunavail (buprenorphine and naloxone) buccal film 4.2 mg/0.7 mg or less
    - Zubsolv (buprenorphine and naloxone) sublingual tablets 5.7 mg/1.4 mg or less

Consider the following factors in determining clinical stability and suitability for PROBUPHINE treatment:

- no reported illicit opioid use
- low to no desire/need to use illicit opioids
- no reports of significant withdrawal symptoms
- stable living environment
- participation in a structured activity/job that contributes to the community
- consistent participation in recommended cognitive behavioral therapy/peer support program
- stability of living environment
- participation in a structured activity/job

Reference: PROBUPHINE (buprenorphine implant for subdermal administration) [Prescribing Information]. Princeton, NJ: Braeburn Pharmaceuticals, Inc., May 2016.

P&T/DUR Review: 1/19 (DM); 1/17; 9/16; 1/15; 9/09; 5/09  
 Implementation: 3/1/2019; 4/1/2017; 9/1/13; 1/1/10

## Calcium and Vitamin D Supplements

### Goal(s):

- Restrict use of calcium and vitamin D supplements to patients who are pregnant; have a documented nutritional deficiency; have a diagnosis of osteopenia or osteoporosis; infants 0-24 months or elderly patients at risk for falls.

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 12 months

### Requires PA:

- Non-preferred calcium and vitamin D products

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Is this an OHP-funded diagnosis?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP
3. Does the patient meet any of the following criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pregnancy;</li> <li>• Documented nutrient deficiency;</li> <li>• Diagnosis of osteopenia or osteoporosis;</li> <li>• Infants 0-24 months of age</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>OR</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Age 65 years or older and at risk for falls</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months. Request that a 90 day's supply be filled at a time.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

P&T Review: 3/19 (KS), 3/16 (KS)  
 Implementation: 5/1/19; 5/1/16

## Cannabidiol

**Goal(s):**

- To ensure appropriate drug use and restrict to indications supported by medical literature.

**Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 12 months

**Requires PA:**

- Cannabidiol

**Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is the request for renewal of therapy previously approved by the FFS system?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to <b>Renewal Criteria</b>	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
3. Is this an FDA approved indication? (Lennox-Gastaut syndrome or Dravet syndrome in patients 2 years of age and older).	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
4. Is the patient uncontrolled on current baseline therapy with at least one other antiepileptic medication? AND Is cannabidiol intended to be prescribed as adjuvant antiepileptic therapy?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
5. Is the prescribed dose greater than 20mg/kg/day?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness	<b>No:</b> Go to # 6

## Approval Criteria

<p>6. Are baseline liver function tests on file (serum transaminases and total bilirubin levels)?</p> <p>LFTs should be obtained at 1 month, 3 months, and 6 months after starting treatment with cannabidiol and periodically thereafter as clinically indicated, after cannabidiol dose changes, or addition of other medications that are known to impact the liver.</p> <p>Note: dosage adjustment is recommended for patients with moderate or severe hepatic impairment. See Table 1 for dosing recommendations.</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for 12 months</p> <p>Document results here:            Date of lab work _____            AST _____            ALT _____            Total Bilirubin _____</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
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## Renewal Criteria

<p>1. Are recent LFT's documented in patient records?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to # 2</p> <p>Document results here:            Date of lab work _____            AST _____            ALT _____            Total Bilirubin _____</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
<p>2. Has seizure frequency decreased since beginning therapy?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #3</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny for lack of treatment response.</p>
<p>3. Is the prescribed dose greater than 20mg/kg/day?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to # 4</p>

## Renewal Criteria

4. Is cannabidiol intended to be prescribed as adjuvant antiepileptic therapy?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 12 months	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
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**Table 1:** Dose Adjustments of Cannabidiol in Patients with Hepatic Impairment<sup>1</sup>

Hepatic Impairment	Starting Dosage	Maintenance Dosage	Maximum Recommended Dosage
<b>Mild</b>	2.5 mg/kg twice daily (5 mg/kg/day)	5 mg/kg twice daily (10 mg/kg/day)	10 mg/kg twice daily (20 mg/kg/day)
<b>Moderate</b>	1.25 mg/kg twice daily (2.5 mg/kg/day)	2.5 mg/kg twice daily (5 mg/kg/day)	5 mg/kg twice daily (10 mg/kg/day)
<b>Severe</b>	0.5 mg/kg twice daily (1 mg/kg/day)	1 mg/kg twice daily (2 mg/kg/day)	2 mg/kg twice daily (4 mg/kg/day)

1. Epidolex (cannabidiol) Oral Solution Prescribing Information. Carlsbad, CA; Greenwich Biosciences, Inc. June 2018.

*P&T/DUR Review: 3/19; 1/19 (DM)  
Implementation: 5/1/19; 3/1/19*

## Calcitonin Gene-Related Peptide (CGRP) antagonists

### Goal(s):

- Promote safe use of CGRP inhibitors in adult patients
- Promote use that is consistent with medical evidence and product labeling

### Length of Authorization:

- Initial: Up to 3 months
- Renewal: Up to 6 months

### Requires PA:

- All calcitonin gene-related peptide (CGRP) antagonists (erenumab, fremanezumab, galcanezumab) pharmacy and physician administered claims

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is this an FDA-approved indication?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
3. Is the diagnosis funded by OHP?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.
4. Is this a request for renewal of a previously approved Fee-For-Service prior authorization of a CGRP antagonist for management of migraine headache?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to <b>Renewal Criteria</b>	<b>No:</b> Go to #5
5. Is there documentation that the patient has experienced 4 or more migraine days in the previous month?	<b>Yes:</b> Document migraine days per month  _____ Go to #6	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
6. Do chart notes indicate headaches are due to medication overuse?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.	<b>No:</b> Go to #7

Approval Criteria		
<p>7. Has the patient failed an adequate trial (<math>\geq 6</math> weeks with a documented adherence of <math>\geq 80\%</math>) of an FDA-approved migraine prophylaxis medication from each of the following classes: beta-blockers, anticonvulsants, and tricyclic antidepressants?</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Does the patient have a documented intolerance, FDA-labeled contraindication, or hypersensitivity to each of the above migraine prophylaxis classes?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Document agents used and dates</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Go to #8</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
<p>8. Has the patient received an injection with botulinum toxin for headache treatment once in the previous 2 months?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #9</p>
<p>9. Is the medication being prescribed by or in consultation with a neurologist or headache specialist?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for 3 months</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>

Renewal Criteria		
<p>1. Do chart notes indicate headaches are due to medication overuse?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #2</p>
<p>2. Has the patient experienced a documented positive response to therapy, as demonstrated by a reduction in migraine headache frequency and/or intensity from baseline?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Document response</p> <p>Approve for up to 6 months (e.g. minimum 2 doses for treatment given every 3 months)</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>

P&T/DUR Review: 5/19; 9/18 (DE)  
Implementation: 11/1/2018

## Clobazam

### Goal(s):

- To ensure appropriate drug use and restrict to indications supported by medical literature.

### Length of Authorization:

- 12 months

### Requires PA:

- Clobazam

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Is the request for renewal of therapy previously approved by the FFS system?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to <b>Renewal Criteria</b>	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
3. Does the patient have a diagnosis of Lennox-Gastaut syndrome and is the patient 2 years of age or older?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Go to # 5
4. Is the patient uncontrolled on current baseline therapy with at least one other antiepileptic medication?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 12 months	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
5. Does the patient have a diagnosis of Dravet Syndrome and is the patient 2 years of age or older?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 12 months	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.

Renewal Criteria		
1. Has seizure frequency decreased since beginning therapy?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 12 months	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny for lack of treatment response.

### *Limitations of Use:*

- Clobazam is not FDA-approved for epilepsy syndromes other than Lennox-Gastaut.
- National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) guidance recommends clobazam as a second line agent for management of Dravet Syndrome.<sup>1</sup>

1.National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE). Epilepsies: diagnosis and management. nice.org.uk/guidance/cg137. Accessed July 30, 2018

## Codeine

**Goal(s):**

- Promote safe use of codeine in pediatric patients for analgesia or cough.

**Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 3 days

**Requires PA:**

- All codeine products for patients under 19 years of age

**Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. What is the age of the patient?	<b>Ages 0-12 years:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness	<b>Ages 13-18 years:</b> Go to #3
3. Is the prescription for an OHP-funded condition?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP
4. Has the patient recently undergone tonsillectomy or adenoidectomy?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness	<b>No:</b> Go to #5
5. Does the dose exceed 240 mg per day?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness	<b>No:</b> Approve no more than 3-day supply

P&T Review: 5/16; 9/15; 7/15  
 Implementation: 7/1/16; 8/25/15

## Conjugated Estrogens/Bazedoxifene (Duavee®)

**Goal(s):**

- Approve conjugated estrogens/bazedoxifene only for indications where there is evidence to support its use and safety.
- Support the use of agents with clinical efficacy and safety supported by the medical literature and guidelines.

**Initiative:**

- Prior Authorization

**Length of Authorization:**

- 6-12 months

**Requires PA:**

- Conjugated estrogens/bazedoxifene

**Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

**Step Therapy Required Prior to Coverage:**

Prevention of vasomotor symptoms: conventional hormone therapy (see preferred drug list options at ([www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)))

Prevention of osteoporosis: bisphosphonates (see preferred drug list options at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)).

### Approval Criteria

1. What is the diagnosis?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Is patient a postmenopausal woman within 10 years of menopause?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
3. Is the patient <60 years of age with an intact uterus?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
4. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?  Message: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preferred products do not require a co-pay. Preferred products are evidence-based reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Oregon Pharmacy &amp; Therapeutics (P&amp;T) Committee.</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class.	<b>No:</b> Go to #5

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5. Is the patient being prescribed the medication for the prevention of osteoporosis?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #6	<b>No:</b> Go to #7
6. Has the patient tried and failed, or is there a contraindication to, bisphosphonates?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
7. Is the medication being prescribed for the prevention of vasomotor symptoms?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #8	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
8. Has the patient tried and failed or has a contraindication to conventional hormone therapy?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

P&T Review: 1/17 (SS), 11/14  
 Implementation: 4/1/17; 1/1/15

## Cough and Cold Preparations

### **Goal(s):**

- Limit use of cough and cold preparations to OHP-funded diagnoses.
- Symptomatic treatment of upper respiratory tract infections is not funded by the OHP.

### **Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 12 months

### **Requires PA:**

- All drugs (expectorants, antitussives, oral decongestants and combinations) in TC = 16, 17 except those listed below.
- All products for patients under 13 years of age.
- All codeine-containing products for patients under 19 years of age (see Codeine PA criteria).

### **Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

HSN	Generic Drug Name
000206	Guaifenesin/codeine
000223	Guaifenesin/Dextromethorphan
002091	Pseudoephedrine

### Approval Criteria

1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is the diagnosis an OHP-funded diagnosis? All indications need to be evaluated to see if funded on the Oregon Health Plan list of prioritized services.	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.
3. Has the patient tried and failed, or have contraindications to, one of the covered alternatives listed above?	<b>Yes:</b> document failure. Approve for up to 1 year.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; cost-effectiveness

P&T Review: 5/16 (KK); 5/13; 2/06  
 Implementation: 7/1/16; 1/10/08

## Cysteamine Delayed-release (PROCYSBI®)

**Goal(s):**

- To restrict use of costly agents to appropriate patient populations.

**Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 6 months

**Requires PA:**

- Cysteamine delayed-release capsules (PROCYSBI)

**Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Is the diagnosis nephropathic cystinosis?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
3. Is the patient receiving medications through a gastrostomy tube?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.	<b>No:</b> Go to #4
4. Has the patient had an adequate trial of cysteamine immediate-release (IR) capsules (CYSTAGON); <u>AND</u> Is the prescriber experienced in managing metabolic diseases such as nephropathic cystinosis; <u>AND</u> Is there documentation of justified patient non-adherence to cysteamine IR that prevents the patient from achieving WBC cysteine levels (<1 nmol ½ cysteine per mg protein)?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 6 months.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.

P&T/DUR Review: 11/16 (DM); 3/14  
 Implementation: 1/1/17; 5/1/14

## Daclizumab (Zinbryta™) and Ocrelizumab (Ocrevus™)

### Goal(s):

- Restrict use of daclizumab and ocrelizumab to patients with relapsing-remitting multiple sclerosis (RRMS) or primary progressive multiple sclerosis (PPMS) who have failed multiple drugs for the treatment of PPMS or RRMS.
- Ensure appropriate baseline monitoring to minimize patient harm.

### Length of Authorization:

- 6 to 12 months

### Requires PA:

- Zinbryta™ (daclizumab)
- Ocrevus™ (ocrelizumab) pharmacy or physician administered claims

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is the medication FDA-approved or compendia-supported for the requested indication?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
3. Is the drug being used to treat an OHP-funded condition AND is the requested treatment funded by the OHP for that condition?  Note: Treatments referenced on an unfunded line of the prioritized list are not funded by the OHP.	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.
4. Is this a request for continuation of therapy?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to <b>Renewal Criteria</b>	<b>No:</b> Go to #5
5. Is the patient an adult (age ≥18 years) diagnosed with relapsing remitting multiple sclerosis (RRMS)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #6	<b>No:</b> Go to #10

## Approval Criteria

<p>6. Has the patient failed trials for at least 2 drugs indicated for the treatment of RRMS?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Document drug and dates trialed:            1. _____ (dates)            2. _____ (dates)             Go to #7</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
<p>7. Is the drug daclizumab?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to # 8</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to # 10</p>
<p>8. Does the patient have a higher degree of ambulatory ability (e.g., Expanded Disability Status Scale score <math>\leq 5</math>)</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #9</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
<p>9. Does the patient have hepatic disease or hepatic impairment, including ALT or AST <math>\geq 2</math>-times the upper limit of normal, or have a history of auto-immune hepatitis?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #12</p>
<p>10. Is the drug ocrelizumab?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to # 11</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
<p>11. Has the patient been screened for an active Hepatitis B infection?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #12</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
<p>12. Is the prescriber a neurologist who regularly treats RMS?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve daclizumab 150 mg once monthly for 6 months or ocrelizumab 300 mg every 2 weeks x 2 doses followed by 600mg IV every 6 months for 12 months</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>

## Renewal Criteria

1. Has the patient's condition improved as assessed by the prescribing physician and physician attests to patient's improvement.

**Yes:** Approve for 12 months.

Document baseline assessment and physician attestation received.

**No:** Pass to RPh; Deny; medical appropriateness.

*P&T/DUR Review:* 11/17 (DM); 1/17  
*Implementation:* 1/1/18; 4/1/17

## Dalfampridine

### Goal(s):

- To ensure appropriate drug use and limit to patient populations in which the drug has been shown to be effective and safe.

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 12 months

### Requires PA:

- Dalfampridine

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

<b>Approval Criteria</b>		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Does the patient have a diagnosis of Multiple Sclerosis?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
3. Is the medication being prescribed by or in consultation with a neurologist?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
4. Is the request for continuation of therapy previously approved by the FFS program (patient has completed 2-month trial)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to <b>Renewal Criteria</b>	<b>No:</b> Go to #5
5. Does the patient have a history of seizures?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness	<b>No:</b> Go to #6
6. Does the patient have moderate or severe renal impairment (est. GFR <50 mL/min)?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness	<b>No:</b> Go to #7
7. Is the patient ambulatory with a walking disability requiring use of a walking aid <b>OR;</b> have moderate ambulatory dysfunction and does not require a walking aid AND able to complete the baseline timed 25-foot walk test between 8 and 45 seconds?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve initial fill for 2-month trial.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

## Renewal Criteria

1. Has the patient been taking dalfampridine for $\geq 2$ months with documented improvement in walking speed while on dalfampridine ( $\geq 20\%$ improvement in timed 25-foot walk test)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #2	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
2. Is the medication being prescribed by or in consultation with a neurologist?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 12 months	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

### Clinical Notes:

- Because fewer than 50% of MS patients respond to therapy and therapy has risks, a trial of therapy should be used prior to beginning ongoing therapy.
- The patient should be evaluated prior to therapy and then 4 weeks to determine whether objective improvements which justify continued therapy are present (i.e. at least a 20% improvement from baseline in timed walking speed).
- Dalfampridine is contraindicated in patients with moderate to severe renal impairment.
- Dalfampridine can increase the risk of seizures; caution should be exercised when using concomitant drug therapies known to lower the seizure threshold.

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*P&T Review:* 11/17 (DM); 5/16; 3/12  
*Implementation:* 8/16, 9/1/13

## Dispense as Written-1 (DAW-1) Reimbursement Rate

### Brand Name and Multi-Source

#### Goal(s):

- State compliance with US CFR 42 Ch.IV §447.512
- Encourage use of generics.
- Cover multi-source brand drugs at the higher reimbursement rate (DAW-1) only when diagnosis is covered by OHP and medically necessary.

#### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 12 months

#### Requires PA:

- All brand multi-source drugs dispensed with a DAW-1 code (except narrow therapeutic index drugs listed below) as defined in ORS 414.325.

#### Covered Alternatives:

- Preferred alternatives listed at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Prior Authorization is NOT required when multi-source brands are dispensed with DAW codes other than DAW-1 and thus pay at generic AAAC (Average Actual Acquisition Cost).
- AAAC prices and dispute forms are listed at:  
<http://www.oregon.gov/oha/pharmacy/Pages/aaac-rates.aspx>

### Narrow-therapeutic Index Drugs that WILL PAY Without Prior Authorization

HSN	Generic Name	Brand Name
001893	Carbamazepine	Tegretol
004834	Clozapine	Clozaril
004524	Cyclosporine	Sandimmune
010086	Cyclosporine, modified	Neoral
000004	Digoxin	Lanoxin
002849	Levothyroxine	Levothroid, Synthroid
008060	Pancrelipase	Pancrease
001879	Phenytoin	Dilantin
002812	Warfarin	Coumadin
008974	Tacrolimus	Prograf
000025	Theophylline controlled-release	Various
HIC3-C4G	Insulin(s)	Various

## Approval Criteria

<p>1. Is the diagnosis an OHP (DMAP) above the line diagnosis?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #2.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPH; Deny (Not Covered by the OHP). Offer alternative of using generic or pharmacy accepting generic price (no DAW-1)</p>
<p>2. Is the drug requested an antiepileptic in Std TC 48 (e.g. Lamotrigine) or immunosuppressant in Spec TC Z2E (e.g. Cellcept) and is the client stabilized on the branded product?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Document prior use and approve for one year.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #3.</p>
<p>3. Does client have documented failure (either therapeutic or contraindications) on an AB-rated generic? (usually 2 weeks is acceptable)</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Document date used and results of trial. Approve for one year.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPH; Deny, (Cost Effectiveness)</p>

*P&T / DUR Action: 2/23/06, 3/19/09, 12/3/09 (KK)*

*Implementation: 10/15, 7/1/06, 9/08, 7/1/09 (KK), 1/1/10 (KK)*

## Dichlorphenamide

**Goal(s):**

- Encourage appropriate use of dichlorphenamide for Hyperkalemic and Hypokalemic Periodic Paralysis.

**Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 3 months for the first authorization and first renewal. Up to 6 months for renewals thereafter.

**Requires PA:**

- Dichlorphenamide

**Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is the drug being used to treat an OHP funded condition AND is the requested treatment funded by the OHP for that condition?  Note: Treatments referenced on an unfunded line of the prioritized list ( <a href="http://www.oregon.gov/oha/HPA/CSIHERC/Pages/Prioritized-List.aspx">http://www.oregon.gov/oha/HPA/CSIHERC/Pages/Prioritized-List.aspx</a> ) are not funded by the OHP.	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.
3. Is the request for continuation of dichlorphenamide treatment previously approved by Fee-For-Service?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to <b>Renewal Criteria</b>	<b>No:</b> Go to #4
4. Is the requested treatment for Andersen-Tawil Syndrome or Paramyotonia congenita?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.  Note: Dichlorphenamide is only approved for Hyperkalemic and Hypokalemic Periodic Paralysis.	<b>No:</b> Go to #5

<b>Approval Criteria</b>		
5. Is the request for treatment of Hyperkalemic or Hypokalemic Periodic Paralysis based on genetic testing or clinical presentation?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #6	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.  Note: Dichlorphenamide is not indicated for other forms of periodic paralysis.
6. Does the patient have an average baseline attack rate of $\geq 1$ attack per week?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #7  Document baseline attack rate.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
7. Has the patient previously tried and failed acetazolamide?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #8	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
8. Has the patient previously experienced disease worsening upon treatment with acetazolamide?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.  Note: Dichlorphenamide was not studied in this population due to potential for similar disease worsening effects.	<b>No:</b> Go to #9
9. Have potential precipitating factors (including lifestyle and recent medication changes) been evaluated for with documentation of continued attack rate or severity upon changes to therapy or lifestyle modifications?  Note: Medications which affect potassium levels include, but are not limited to, oral potassium, steroids, insulin, and diuretics.	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #10	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.  Note: Lifestyle and medication changes are generally regarded as first line therapy.

Approval Criteria		
10. Is the patient currently taking $\geq 1000$ mg of aspirin daily?	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p> <p>Note: Concurrent use of <math>\geq 1000</math>mg aspirin daily with dichlorphenamide is contraindicated.</p>	<b>No:</b> Go to #11
11. Is the patient $\geq 18$ years old?	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #12</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p> <p>Note: There is insufficient evidence of safety and efficacy in the pediatric population.</p>
12. Have baseline serum potassium and bicarbonate been documented as $>3.5$ mmol/L and $>22$ mmol/L respectively?	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 3 months.</p>	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.

Renewal Criteria		
1. Has the weekly average attack rate decreased from baseline?	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #2</p> <p>Document attack rate.</p>	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
2. Have the serum potassium and bicarbonate been measured and documented as $>3.5$ mmol/L and $>22$ mmol/L respectively since the last approval?	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for 3 months at first renewal and up to 6 months for renewals thereafter.</p>	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.

P&T/DUR Review: 3/18 (EH)  
Implementation: 4/16/18

## Dipeptidyl Peptidase-4 (DPP-4) Inhibitors

**Goal(s):**

- Promote cost-effective and safe step-therapy for management of type 2 diabetes mellitus (T2DM).

**Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 12 months

**Requires PA:**

- All DPP-4 inhibitors

**Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

### Approval Criteria

1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Does the patient have a diagnosis of Type 2 diabetes mellitus?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
3. Has the patient tried and failed metformin and a sulfonylurea, or have contraindications to these treatments?  (document contraindication, if any)	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh; deny and recommend trial of metformin or sulfonylurea. See below for metformin titration schedule.
4. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?  <u>Message:</u> • Preferred products are reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Oregon Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&T) Committee.	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class	<b>No:</b> Approve for up to 12 months

**Initiating Metformin**

1. Begin with low-dose metformin (500 mg) taken once or twice per day with meals (breakfast and/or dinner) or 850 mg once per day.
2. After 5-7 days, if gastrointestinal side effects have not occurred, advance dose to 850 mg, or two 500 mg tablets, twice per day (medication to be taken before breakfast and/or dinner).
3. If gastrointestinal side effects appear with increasing doses, decrease to previous lower dose and try to advance the dose at a later time.
4. The maximum effective dose can be up to 1,000 mg twice per day. Modestly greater effectiveness has been observed with doses up to about 2,500 mg/day. Gastrointestinal side effects may limit the dose that can be used.

Nathan, et al. Medical management of hyperglycemia in Type 2 Diabetes: a consensus algorithm for the initiation and adjustment of therapy. *Diabetes Care*. 2008; 31;1-11.

*P&T/DUR Review:* 7/18 (KS); 9/17; 9/16; 9/15; 9/14; 9/13; 4/12; 3/11  
*Implementation:* 10/13/16; 10/15; 1/15; 9/14; 1/14; 2/13

## Droxidopa (Northera®)

### Goal(s):

- To optimize appropriate pharmacological management of symptomatic neurogenic orthostatic hypotension.

### Length of Authorization:

- Initial: 14 days
- Renewal: 3 months

### Requires PA:

- Non-preferred drugs

### Covered Alternatives:

- Preferred alternatives listed at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is the treated diagnosis on OHP funded condition?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPH. Deny for medical appropriateness.
3. Does the patient have a diagnosis of symptomatic orthostatic hypotension (ICD10 I951) due to primary autonomic failure (Parkinson's disease, multiple system atrophy or pure autonomic failure), dopamine beta-hydroxylase deficiency, or nondiabetic autonomic neuropathy? (ICD10 G20; G230-232, G238; E700,E7021-7030, E705,E708,E710, E7040,E71120,E7119, E712, E7210, E7211,E7219, E7200-7201, E7204, E7209, E7220, E7222, E7223, E7229, E723, E728; G9001,G904, G909, G9009, G9059, G90519, G90529, G990)	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPH. Deny for medical appropriateness.
4. Is the patient currently receiving antihypertensive medication?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPH. Deny for medical appropriateness.	<b>No:</b> Go to #5.

## Approval Criteria

<p>5. Does the patient have a documented trial of appropriate therapy with both fludrocortisone and midodrine?</p> <p>Message: Preferred products are evidence-based reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee.</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 14 days.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Inform provider fludrocortisone and midodrine are both covered alternatives. If justification provided for not trying alternatives (contraindications, concern for adverse effects, etc.), approve for up to 14 days.</p>
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## Renewal Criteria

<p>1. Is this the first time the patient is requesting this renewal?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Yes:</b> Go to #2.</li> <li>•</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>No:</b> Approve for up to 3 months.</li> </ul>
<p>2. Does the patient have documented response to therapy (e.g., improvement in dizziness/ lightheadedness)?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 3 months.</li> <li>•</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>No:</b> Pass to RPH; Deny for medical appropriateness.</li> </ul>

P&T / DUR Action: 1/29/15 (AG)  
Implementation: 10/15

## Drugs for Constipation

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 6 months

### Not Covered by OHP:

- Disorders of function of stomach and other functional digestive disorders which includes constipation and Irritable Bowel Syndrome (ICD-10: K3183-3184, K310, R1110, K30, K3189, K319, K314-315, K312, K589, K591, K594, K5900-5902, K5909, K910-911, K9189, K598-599, R159, R150, R152)

### Requires PA:

- Non-preferred drugs

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria												
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.											
2. Is the diagnosis covered by the OHP?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; diagnosis not covered by OHP.										
3. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?  Message: preferred products do not require a PA.	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives	<b>No:</b> Go to #4										
4. Has the patient failed a 2-week trial of at least 3 of the following management strategies due to lack of effectiveness, contraindications or adverse effects?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 6 months.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Go to #5.										
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## Approval Criteria

### 5. RPh only:

Constipation is not covered under the OHP. Therefore, funding for drugs that treat constipation are dependent whether the constipation adversely affects, or is secondary to, the underlying medical condition covered by the Prioritized List.

- Alvimopan (ENTEREG): FDA labeling, including a black boxed warning for risk of myocardial infarction, limit use to *in hospital use only* for a maximum of 15 doses. Evidence is primarily for the immediate post-operative period only.
- Linaclotide (LINZESS): Constipation secondary to irritable bowel syndrome is not approvable. Chronic constipation caused by a funded condition or adversely affecting a funded condition is approvable if medically appropriate and justification is provided for not meeting criterion #4.
- Lubiprostone (AMITIZA): Constipation secondary to irritable bowel syndrome or opioid-induced constipation is not approvable. Chronic constipation caused by a funded condition or adversely affecting a funded condition is approvable if medically appropriate and justification is provided for not meeting criterion #4.
- Methylnaltrexone (RELISTOR) and Naldemedine (SYMPROIC): Opioid-induced constipation in patients with non-cancer pain is not approvable. Chronic constipation secondary to continuous opioid use as part of a palliative care regimen is approvable if justification is provided for not meeting criterion #4.
- Naloxegol (MOVANTIK): Opioid-induced constipation in patients with non-cancer pain is not approvable. Justification must be provided for not meeting criterion #4.
- Plecanatide (TRULANCE): Chronic idiopathic constipation is not approvable. Chronic constipation caused by a funded condition or adversely affecting a funded condition is approvable if medically appropriate and justification is provided for not meeting criterion #4.

P&T Review: 7/17 (DM); 3/15; 3/09  
Implementation: 9/1/17; 5/1/16; 10/15, 4/18/15

## Drugs for Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy

### **Goal(s):**

- Encourage use of corticosteroids which have demonstrated long-term efficacy
- Restrict use of eteplirsen and deflazacort to patients with Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy and limit use of deflazacort to patients with contraindications or serious intolerance to other oral corticosteroids

### **Length of Authorization:**

- 6 months

### **Requires PA:**

- Eteplirsen (billed as a pharmacy or physician administered claim)
- Deflazacort

### **Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is the drug being used to treat an OHP-funded condition AND is the requested treatment funded by the OHP for that condition?  Note: Treatments referenced on an unfunded line of the prioritized list ( <a href="http://www.oregon.gov/oha/HPA/CSI-HERC/Pages/Prioritized-List.aspx">http://www.oregon.gov/oha/HPA/CSI-HERC/Pages/Prioritized-List.aspx</a> ) are not funded by the OHP.	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.
3. Is the request for treatment of Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.  Note: Eteplirsen and deflazacort are not indicated for other forms of muscular dystrophy or other diagnoses.
4. Is the request for continuation of eteplirsen treatment?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to <b>Renewal Criteria</b>	<b>No:</b> Go to #5
5. Is the request for deflazacort?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #6	<b>No:</b> Go to #8

Approval Criteria		
6. Is the patient $\geq$ 5 years of age?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #7	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
7. Does the patient have a documented contraindication or intolerance to oral prednisone that is not expected to crossover to deflazacort?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months.  Document contraindication or intolerance reaction.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.  Recommend trial of another oral corticosteroid.
8. Does the patient have a diagnosis of Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy with one of the following genetic mutations amenable to exon 51 skipping: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deletion of exons 45 to 50</li> <li>• Deletion of exons 48 to 50</li> <li>• Deletion of exons 49 and 50</li> <li>• Deletion of exon 50 OR</li> <li>• Deletion of exon 52?</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #9  Document genetic testing.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh, Deny; medical appropriateness.
9. Has the patient been on a stable dose of corticosteroid for at least 6 months?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #10	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
10. Has baseline functional assessment been evaluated using a validated tool such as the 6-minute walk test or North Star Ambulatory Assessment?	<b>Yes:</b> Document baseline functional assessment and approve for up to 6 months	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.

Renewal Criteria		
1. Has the patient's baseline functional status been maintained at or above baseline level or not declined more than expected given the natural disease progression?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 6 months  Document functional status.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh, Deny; medical appropriateness.

P&T/DUR Review: 11/17; 07/17 (SS)  
Implementation: 1/1/18; 9/1/17

## Drugs Selected for Manual Review by Oregon Health Plan

### **Goal:**

- Require specialty drugs selected by the Oregon Pharmacy & Therapeutics (P&T) Committee to be manually reviewed and approved by the Oregon Health Plan (OHP) Medical Director.

### **Length of Authorization:**

- To be determined by OHP Medical Director.

### **Requires PA:**

- A drug approved by the P&T Committee to be manually reviewed by the OHP Medical Director for approval.

### **Approval Criteria**

1. What diagnosis is being treated?

Record ICD10 code

2. Pass to RPh. Deny; requires manual review and approval by the OHP Medical Director.

Message: The P&T Committee has determined this drug requires manual review by the OHP Medical Director for approval.

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*P&T / DUR Review:* 11/15 (AG)  
*Implementation* 1/1/16

## Drugs for Non-funded Conditions

### Goal:

- Restrict use of drugs reviewed by the Oregon Pharmacy & Therapeutics (P&T) Committee without evidence for use in Oregon Health Plan (OHP)-funded conditions.

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 6 months.

### Requires PA:

- A drug restricted by the P&T Committee due to lack of evidence for conditions funded by the OHP.

### Approval Criteria

1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Is the drug being used to treat an OHP-funded condition?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.
3. Pass to RPh. The prescriber must provide documentation of therapeutic failure, adverse event, or contraindication alternative drugs approved by FDA for the funded condition. Otherwise, the prescriber must provide medical literature supporting use for the funded condition. RPh may use clinical judgement to approve drug for up to 6 months or deny request based on documentation provided by prescriber.		

P&T / DUR Review: 11/15 (AG)  
Implementation 1/1/16

## Dupilumab

**Goal(s):**

- Promote use that is consistent with national clinical practice guidelines and medical evidence.

**Length of Authorization:**

- 6 months

**Requires PA:**

- Dupilumab (Dupixent)

**Covered Alternatives:**

- Preferred alternatives listed at [www.orpd.org/drugs/](http://www.orpd.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD 10 code.	
2. Is the diagnosis an OHP funded diagnosis?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny, not funded by the OHP.
3. Is this a request for continuation of therapy?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to <b>Renewal Criteria</b>	<b>No:</b> Go to #4
4. Is the product requested preferred?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for length of treatment; maximum 1 year.	<b>No:</b> Go to #5
5. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?  <b>Message:</b> Preferred products are evidence-based reviewed for comparative effectiveness & safety by the Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&T) Committee.	<b>Yes:</b> Inform provider of preferred alternatives.  Approve for length of treatment; maximum 1 year.	<b>No:</b> Go to # 6
6. Is the medication being prescribed by or in consultation with a dermatologist or allergist who specializes in management of severe asthma?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to # 7	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

## Approval Criteria

<p>7. What is the age of the patient?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dupilumab injection is FDA approved for patients 12 years of age and older</li> </ul>	<p><b>Age 11 years or younger:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>	<p><b>Ages 12 years and older:</b> Go to #8</p>
<p>8. Is the diagnosis Moderate/Severe Atopic Dermatitis (AD)?</p> <p>Moderate/Severe psoriasis is defined as:<sup>1</sup></p> <p>Having functional impairment (e.g. inability to use hands or feet for activities of daily living, or significant facial involvement preventing normal social interaction) and one of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>At least 10% body surface area involved or with functional impairment and/or:</li> <li>Hand, foot or mucous membrane involvement</li> </ol>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #9</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #10</p>
<p>9. Does the patient have a documented contraindication or failed trial of the following treatments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Moderate to high potency topical corticosteroid (e.g., clobetasol, desoximetasone, desonide, mometasone, betamethasone, halobetasol, fluticasone, or fluocinonide) <u>AND</u></li> <li>Topical calcineurin inhibitor (tacrolimus, pimecrolimus) or topical phosphodiesterase (PDE)-4 inhibitor (crisaborole) <u>AND</u></li> <li>Oral immunomodulator therapy (cyclosporine, methotrexate, azathioprine, mycophenolate mofetil, or oral corticosteroids)?</li> </ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Document drug and dates trialed and intolerances (if applicable):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>_____ (dates)</li> <li>_____ (dates)</li> <li>_____ (dates)</li> </ol> <p>Approve for length of treatment; maximum 6 months.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>

Approval Criteria		
10. Is the claim for moderate-to-severe asthma aged 12 years and older with an eosinophilic phenotype or with oral corticosteroid dependent asthma?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #11	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
11. Is the patient currently receiving another monoclonal antibody for asthma (e.g., omalizumab, mepolizumab, benralizumab or reslizumab)?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.	<b>No:</b> Go to #12
12. Has the patient required at least 1 hospitalization or $\geq 2$ ED visits in the past 12 months while receiving a maximally-dosed inhaled corticosteroid (Table 1) AND 2 additional controller drugs (i.e., long-acting inhaled beta-agonist, montelukast, zafirlukast, theophylline)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #13  Document number of hospitalizations or ED visits in past 12 months: _____. This is the baseline value to compare to in renewal criteria.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
13. Has the patient been adherent to current asthma therapy in the past 12 months?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 6 months	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.

Renewal Criteria		
1. Is the request to renew dupilumab for atopic dermatitis?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #2	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
2. Have the patient's symptoms improved with dupilumab therapy? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>at least a 50% reduction in the Eczema Area and Severity Index score (EASI 50) from when treatment started OR</li> <li>at least a 4- point reduction in the Dermatology Life Quality Index (DLQI) from when treatment started OR</li> <li>at least a 2 point improvement on the Investigators Global Assessment (IGA) score?</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 12 months	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.

## Renewal Criteria

3. Is the patient currently taking an inhaled corticosteroid and 2 additional controller drugs (i.e., long-acting inhaled beta-agonist, montelukast, zafirlukast, theophylline)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
4. Has the patient reduced their systemic corticosteroid dose by $\geq 50\%$ compared to baseline?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.

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*P&T/DUR Review: 7/19 (DM)*  
*Implementation: 8/19/19*

## Edaravone (Radicava™)

### Goal(s):

- To encourage use of riluzole which has demonstrated mortality benefits.
- To ensure appropriate use of edaravone in populations with clinically definite or probable amyotrophic lateral sclerosis
- To monitor for clinical response for appropriate continuation of therapy

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 12 months

### Requires PA:

- Edavarone (pharmacy and physician administered claims)

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is the request for continuation of therapy of previously approved FFS criteria (after which patient has completed 6-month trial)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to <b>Renewal Criteria</b>	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
3. Is this a treatment for amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
4. Is the diagnosis funded by OHP?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.
5. Is the patient currently on riluzole therapy, OR have a documented contraindication or intolerance to riluzole?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #6	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
6. Is the medication being prescribed by or in consultation with a neurologist?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #7	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
7. Does the patient have documented percent-predicted forced vital capacity (%FVC) ≥ 80%?	<b>Yes:</b> Record lab result. Go to #8	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

Approval Criteria		
8. Is there a baseline documentation of the revised ALS Functional Rating Scale (ALSFRS-R) score with $\geq 2$ points in each of the 12 items?	<p><b>Yes:</b> Record baseline score. (0 [worst] to 48 [best])</p> <p>Approve for 6 months based on FDA-approved dosing.*</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>

Renewal Criteria		
1. Is the medication being prescribed by or in consultation with a neurologist?	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #2</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
2. Has the prescriber provided documentation that the use of Radicava (edarvone) has slowed in the decline of functional abilities as assessed by a Revised ALS Functional Rating Scale (ALSFRS-R) with no decline more than expected given the natural disease progression (5 points from baseline over 6 months)?	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #3</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p> <p>Use clinical judgment to approve for 1 month to allow time for appeal.</p> <p>MESSAGE: "Although the request has been denied for long-term use because it is considered medically inappropriate, it has also been APPROVED for one month to allow time for appeal."</p>
3. Does the patient have documented percent-predicted forced vital capacity (%FVC) $\geq 80\%$ ?	<p><b>Yes:</b> Record lab result. Go to #4</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
4. Is there a documentation of the revised ALS Functional Rating Scale (ALSFRS-R) score with $\geq 2$ points in each of the 12 items?	<p><b>Yes:</b> Record score. (0 [worst] to 48 [best])</p> <p>Approve for 12 months.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>

\* = see below for summary of FDA-approved dosage and administration. Consult FDA website for prescribing information details at [www.fda.gov](http://www.fda.gov)

P&T/DUR Review: 7/18 (DE)

Implementation: 8/15/18

**\*Dosage and Administration:**

60 mg (two consecutive 30 mg infusion bags) IV infusion over 60 minutes

- Initial treatment cycle: daily dosing for 14 days followed by a 14-day drug-free period
- Subsequent treatment cycles: daily dosing for 10 days out of 14-day periods, followed by 14-day drug-free period

## Erythropoiesis Stimulating Agents (ESAs)

### Goal(s):

- Cover ESAs according to OHP guidelines and current medical literature.
- Cover preferred products when feasible.

### Length of Authorization:

- 12 weeks initially, then up to 12 months
- Quantity limit of 30 day per dispense

### Requires PA:

- All ESAs require PA for clinical appropriateness.

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

### Approval Criteria

1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Is this an OHP covered diagnosis?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP
3. Is this continuation of therapy previously approved by the FFS program?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #12	<b>No:</b> Go to #4
4. Is the requested product preferred?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #6	<b>No:</b> Go to #5
5. Will the prescriber change to a preferred product?  <u>Message:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preferred products do not require PA.</li> <li>• Preferred products are evidence-based reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&amp;T) Committee.</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class.	<b>No:</b> Go to #6
6. Is the diagnosis anemia due to chronic renal failure <sup>1</sup> or chemotherapy <sup>2,3</sup> ?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #7	<b>No:</b> Go to #8
7. Is Hgb <10 g/dL or Hct <30% <b>AND</b> Transferrin saturation >20% and/or ferritin >100 ng/mL?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 12 weeks with additional approval based upon adequate response.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
8. Is the diagnosis anemia due to HIV <sup>4</sup> ?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #9	<b>No:</b> Go to #10

Approval Criteria		
9. Is the Hgb <10 g/dL or Hct <30% <b>AND</b> Transferrin saturation >20% <b>AND</b> Endogenous erythropoietin <500 IU/L <b>AND</b> If on zidovudine, is dose <4200 mg/week?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
10. Is the diagnosis anemia due to ribavirin treatment <sup>5</sup> ?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #11	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
11. Is the Hgb <10 g/dL or Hct <30% <b>AND</b> Is the transferrin saturation >20% and/or ferritin >100 ng/mL <b>AND</b> Has the dose of ribavirin been reduced by 200 mg/day and anemia persisted >2 weeks?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve up to the length of ribavirin treatment.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
12. Has the patient responded to initial therapy?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

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P&T Review: 1/19 (JP); 7/16; 5/14; 11/12; 6/12; 2/12, 9/10  
Implementation: 10/13/16; 1/11/13; 9/24/12; 5/14/12

## Esketamine (Spravato)

### Goal(s):

- To ensure safe and appropriate use of esketamine in patients with treatment resistant depression.

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 6 months

### Requires PA:

- Esketamine requires a prior authorization approval due to safety concerns (pharmacy and physician administered claims).

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is this an FDA approved indication?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
3. Is the diagnosis funded by OHP?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.
4. Is the request for maintenance dosing of esketamine (for determining response to therapy)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #10	<b>No:</b> Go to #5
5. Is the patient 65 years or older?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.	<b>No:</b> Go to #6
6. Does the patient have a history of substance abuse?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.	<b>No:</b> Go to #7
7. Does the patient have treatment resistant depression (failure of two antidepressants which were given for at least 6-8 weeks at FDA approved doses)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #8	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.  Recommend an adequate trial (minimum of 6-8 weeks) of 2 or more antidepressants.

## Approval Criteria

<p>8. Is the patient currently on an FDA approved dose of an oral antidepressant?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #9</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p> <p>Esketamine is indicated for use with an oral antidepressant.</p>
<p>9. Does the patient have documentation of any of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aneurysmal vascular disease or arterial venous malformation OR</li> <li>• Intracerebral hemorrhage OR</li> <li>• Pregnancy OR</li> <li>• Uncontrolled hypertension</li> </ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Approve for induction phase only: 28 days of treatment with a maximum of 23 nasal spray devices (each device contains 28 mg of esketamine)</p>
<p>10. Is there documentation that the patient demonstrated an adequate response during the induction phase (an improvement in depressive symptoms)?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 6 months (maximum of 12 per month)</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>

P&T/DUR Review: 7/19 (KS)  
Implementation: 8/19/19

## Estrogen Derivatives

### Goal(s):

- Restrict use to medically appropriate conditions funded under the OHP

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 12 months

### Requires PA:

- Non-preferred estrogen derivatives
- All estrogen derivatives for patients <18 years of age

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is the estrogen requested for a patient ≥18 years old?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Go to #4
3. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?  Message: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preferred products do not require a co-pay. Preferred products are evidence-based reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Oregon Pharmacy &amp; Therapeutics (P&amp;T) Committee.</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class and approve for up to 12 months.	<b>No:</b> Approve for up to 12 months.
4. Is the medication requested for gender dysphoria (ICD10 F642, F641)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Go to #6
5. Have <b>all</b> of the following criteria been met? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Patient has the capacity to make fully informed decisions and to give consent for treatment; and</li> <li>• If patient &lt;18 years of age, the prescriber is a pediatric endocrinologist; and</li> <li>• The prescriber agrees criteria in Guideline Notes on the OHP List of Prioritized Services have been met.</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 6 months	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
6. Is the medication requested for hypogonadism?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 6 months	<b>No:</b> Go to #7

## Approval Criteria

7. RPh only: All other indications need to be evaluated to see if funded under the OHP.

If funded and prescriber provides supporting literature: Approve for up to 12 months.

If non-funded: Deny; not funded by the OHP

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*P&T / DUR Review:* 1/17 (SS); 11/15 (KS)

*Implementation:* 4/1/17; 1/1/16

## Exclusion List

- Deny payment for drug claims for drugs that are only FDA-approved for indications that are not covered by the Oregon Health Plan (OHP).
- Other exclusionary criteria are in rules at:  
[www.oregon.gov/OHA/healthplan/pages/pharmacy-policy.aspx](http://www.oregon.gov/OHA/healthplan/pages/pharmacy-policy.aspx)

Excerpt from  
 OAR 410-121-0147 Exclusions and Limitations  
 (DMAP Pharmaceutical Services Program)

- 1) The following items are not covered for payment by the Division of Medical Assistance Programs (DMAP) Pharmaceutical Services Program:
- (a) Drug products for diagnoses below the funded line on the Health Services Commission Prioritized List or an excluded service under Oregon Health Plan (OHP) coverage;
  - (b) Home pregnancy kits;
  - (c) Fluoride for individuals over 18 years of age;
  - (d) Expired drug products;
  - (e) Drug products from non-rebatable manufacturers, with the exception of selected oral nutritionals, vitamins, and vaccines;
  - (f) Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients (APIs) and Excipients as described by Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS);
  - (g) Drug products that are not assigned a National Drug Code (NDC) number;
  - (h) Drug products that are not approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA);
  - (i) Drug products dispensed for Citizen/Alien-Waived Emergency Medical client benefit type;
  - (j) Drug Efficacy Study Implementation (DESI) drugs (see OAR 410-121-0420);
  - (k) Medicare Part D covered drugs or classes of drugs for fully dual eligible clients (see OAR 410-121-0149, 410-120-1200, & 410-120-1210).

**NOTE: Returns as “70 – NDC NOT COVERED”**

### Approval Criteria

1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. For what reason is it being rejected?		
3. “70” NDC Not Covered (Transaction line states “Bill Medicare”)	<b>Yes:</b> Go to the Medicare B initiative in these criteria.	<b>No:</b> Go to #2B
4. “70” NDC Not Covered (Transaction line states “Bill Medicare or Bill Medicare D”)	<b>Yes:</b> Informational Pa to bill specific agency	<b>No:</b> Go to #2C

## Approval Criteria

<p>5. "70" NDC Not Covered (due to expired or invalid NDC number)</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Informational PA with message "The drug requested does not have a valid National Drug Code number and is not covered by Medicaid. Please bill with correct NDC number."</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #2D</p>
<p>6. "70" NDC Not Covered (due to DME items, excluding diabetic supplies) (Error code M5 –requires manual claim)</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Informational PA (Need to billed via DME billing rules) 1-800-336-6016</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #2E</p>
<p>7. "70" NDC Not Covered (Transaction line states "Non-Rebatable Drugs" )</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny (Non-Rebatable Drug) with message "The drug requested is made by company that does not participate in Medicaid Drug Rebate Program and is therefore not covered"</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #2F</p>
<p>8. "70" NDC Not Covered (Transaction line states "DESI Drug")</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny (DESI Drug) with message, "The drug requested is listed as a "Less-Than-Effective Drug" by the FDA and not covered by Medicaid."</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Go to #3</p>

## Approval Criteria

<p>9. RPh only: "70" NDC Not Covered (Drugs on the Exclusion List) All indications need to be evaluated to see if they are above the line or below the line.</p>	<p><b>Above:</b> Deny with yesterday's date (Medically Appropriateness) and use clinical judgment to APPROVE for 1 month starting today to allow time for appeal.</p>	<p><b>Below:</b> Deny. Not funded by the OHP.</p> <p>Message: "The treatment for your condition is not a covered service on the Oregon Health Plan."</p>
	<p>Message: "Although the request has been denied for long term use because it is considered medically inappropriate, it has also been APPROVED for one month to allow time for appeal."</p>	

If the MAP desk notes a drug is often requested for a covered indication, notify Lead Pharmacist so that policy changes can be considered for valid covered diagnoses.

## Exclusion List

Drug Code	Description	DMAP Policy
DCC = 1	Drugs To Treat Impotency/ Erectile Dysfunction	Impotency Not Covered on OHP List
DCC = B	Fertility Agents	Fertility Treatment Not Covered on OHP List
DCC = D	Diagnostics	DME Billing Required
DCC= F, except HSN = 018751 002111 002112 002070 002113 016924	Weight Loss Drugs	Weight Loss Not Covered on OHP List except In cases of co-morbidity. Exceptions are Prior Authorized
DCC= Y	Ostomy Supplies	DME Billing Required
HIC3= B0P	Inert Gases	DME Billing Required
HIC3= L1C	Hypertrichotic Agents, Systemic/Including Combinations	Cosmetic Indications Not Covered on OHP List
HIC3= Q6F	Contact Lens Preparations	Cosmetic Indications Not Covered on OHP List
HIC3=X1C	IUDs	DME Billing Required
HIC3=D6C	Alosetron Hcl	IBS Not Covered on OHP List
HIC3=D6E	Tegaserod	IBS Not Covered on OHP List
HIC3=L1D	Hyperpigmentation Agents	
Drug Code	Description	DMAP Policy

HIC3=L3P	Astringents	
HIC3=L4A	Topical Antipruritic Agents	
HIC3=L5A; Except HSN= 002466, 002557 006081 (Podophyllin Resin)	Keratolytics	Acne, Warts, Corns/Calluses; Seborrhea Are Not Covered on OHP List
HIC3=L5B	Sunscreens	Cosmetic Indications, Acne, Warts, Corns/Callouses; Diaper Rash, Seborrhea Are Not Covered on OHP List
HIC3=L5C	Abrasives	Cosmetic Indications, Acne, Warts, Corns/Callouses; Diaper Rash, Seborrhea Are Not Covered on OHP List
HIC3=L5E	Anti Seborrheic Agents	Seborrhea Not Covered on OHP List
HIC3=L5G	Acne Agents	Acne Not Covered on OHP List
HIC3=L5H	Acne Agents, Topical	Acne Not Covered on OHP List
HIC3=L6A; Except HSN = 002577 002576 002574 002572 (Capsaicin)	Irritants	Acne, Seborrhea, Sprains Not Covered on OHP List
HIC3=L7A	Shampoos	Cosmetic Indications, Seborrhea, Not Covered on OHP List
HIC3=L8A	Deodorants	Cosmetic Indications Not Covered on OHP List
HIC3=L8B	Antiperspirants	Cosmetic Indications Not Covered on OHP List
HIC3=L9A	Topical Agents, Misc	Cosmetic Indications, Acne, Warts, Corns/Callouses; Diaper Rash, Seborrhea, are Not Covered on OHP List
HIC3=L9B	Vit A Used for Skin	Acne Not Covered on OHP List
HIC3=L9C	Antimelanin Agents	Pigmentation Disorders Not Covered on OHP List
HIC3=L9D	Topical Hyperpigmentation Agent	Pigmentation Disorders Not Covered on OHP List
HIC3=L9F	Topical Skin Coloring Dye Agent	Cosmetic Indications Not Covered on OHP List
HIC3=L9I	Topical Cosmetic Agent; Vit A	Cosmetic Indications Not Covered on OHP List
HIC3=L9J	Hair Growth Reduction Agents	Cosmetic Indications Not Covered on OHP List
<b>Drug Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>DMAP Policy</b>
HIC3=Q5C	Topical Hypertrichotic Agents	Cosmetic Indications Not Covered on OHP List
HIC3=Q6R, Q6U, Q6D	Antihistamine-Decongestant, Vasoconstrictor and Mast Cell	Allergic Conjunctivitis Not Covered on OHP List

	Eye Drops	
HIC3= U5A, U5B, U5F & S2H plus HSN= 014173	Herbal Supplements “ Natural Anti-Inflammatory Supplements” - Not Including Nutritional Supplements such as: Ensure, Boost, Etc.	
HSN = 004045 + ROA = TOPICAL	Clindamycin Topical	Acne Not Covered on OHP List
HSN=003344	Sulfacetamide Sodium/Sulfur Topical	Acne Not Covered on OHP List
HSN=008712, 004022 + ROA=TOPICAL	Erythromycin Topical	Acne Not Covered on OHP List
HSN=025510	Rosacea	Acne Not Covered on OHP List
TC=93; Except HSN = 002363 (dextranomer) 002361 (zno)	Emollients/Protectants	Cosmetic Indications, Acne, Warts, Corns/Callouses; Diaper Rash, Seborrhea, Psoriasis Are Not Covered on OHP List

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P&T Review: 3/18; 2/23/06  
Implementation: 4/16/18; 5/1/16; 9/1/06; 1/1/12

## Fidaxomicin (Difcid®)

**Goal(s):**

- To optimize appropriate treatment of *Clostridium difficile*-associated infection.

**Length of Authorization:**

- 10 days

**Requires PA:**

- Fidaxomicin

**Covered Alternatives:**

- Preferred alternatives listed at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Does the patient have a diagnosis of <i>Clostridium difficile</i> -associated infection (CDI)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
3. Does the patient have at least one documented trial of or contraindication to appropriate therapy with vancomycin?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
4. Does the patient have severe, complicated CDI (life-threatening or fulminant infection or toxic megacolon)?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness	<b>No:</b> Approve for up to 10 days

P&T / DUR Review: 5/18 (DM); 5/15 (AG); 4/12  
 Implementation: 7/1/18; 10/15; 7/12

## Glucagon-like Peptide-1 (GLP-1) Receptor Agonists

### **Goal(s):**

- Promote cost-effective and safe step-therapy for management of type 2 diabetes mellitus (T2DM).

### **Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 12 months

### **Requires PA:**

- GLP-1 receptor agonists that are preferred products do not require PA when prescribed as second-line therapy in conjunction with metformin.
- All non-preferred GLP-1 receptor agonists require a PA

### **Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Does the patient have a diagnosis of Type 2 diabetes mellitus?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
3. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?  <u>Message:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preferred products are evidence-based reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Oregon Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&amp;T) Committee.</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class	<b>No:</b> Go to #4
4. Has the patient tried and failed metformin and sulfonylurea therapy or have contraindications to these treatments?  (document contraindication, if any)	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.  Recommend trial of metformin or sulfonylurea. See below for metformin titration schedule.
5. Is the request for semaglutide or dulaglutide?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months	<b>No:</b> Go to #6

## Approval Criteria

6. Is the patient currently taking prandial insulin?	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p> <p>The safety and efficacy of other insulin formations with GLP-1 agonists have not been studied.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Approve for up to 12 months</p>
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### Initiating Metformin

1. Begin with low-dose metformin (500 mg) taken once or twice per day with meals (breakfast and/or dinner) or 850 mg once per day.
2. After 5-7 days, if gastrointestinal side effects have not occurred, advance dose to 850 mg, or two 500 mg tablets, twice per day (medication to be taken before breakfast and/or dinner).
3. If gastrointestinal side effects appear with increasing doses, decrease to previous lower dose and try to advance the dose at a later time.
4. The maximum effective dose can be up to 1,000 mg twice per day. Modestly greater effectiveness has been observed with doses up to about 2,500 mg/day. Gastrointestinal side effects may limit the dose that can be used.

Nathan, et al. Medical management of hyperglycemia in Type 2 Diabetes: a consensus algorithm for the initiation and adjustment of therapy. *Diabetes Care*. 2008; 31;1-11.

P&T Review: 3/19 (KS), 7/18, 9/17; 1/17; 11/16; 9/16; 9/15; 1/15; 9/14; 9/13; 4/12; 3/11  
 Implementation: 5/1/19; 8/15/18; 4/1/17; 2/15; 1/14

## Gonadotropin-Releasing Hormone Modifiers

### Goal(s):

- Restrict pediatric use of gonadotropin-releasing hormone (GnRH) agonists to medically appropriate conditions funded under the Oregon Health Plan (eg, central precocious puberty or gender dysphoria)
- Promote safe use of elagolix in women with endometriosis-associated pain
- Promote use that is consistent with medical evidence and product labeling

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 6 months
- Elagolix renewal: Up to 6 months for 150 mg daily dose with total cumulative treatment period not to exceed 24 months

### Requires PA:

- GnRH modifiers prescribed for pediatric patients less than 18 years of age
- Non-preferred products

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	• Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is the diagnosis funded by OHP?	• <b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	• <b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.
3. Is this a request for continuation of elagolix therapy previously approved by the FFS program?	• <b>Yes:</b> Go to <b>Renewal Criteria</b>	• <b>No:</b> Go to #4
4. Is the prescriber a pediatric endocrinologist?	• <b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	• <b>No:</b> Go to #9
5. What diagnosis is being treated and what is the age and gender of the patient assigned at birth?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Record ICD10 code.</li> <li>• Record age and gender assigned at birth</li> </ul>	
6. Is the diagnosis central precocious puberty (ICD10 E301, E308) or other endocrine disorder (E34.9)?	• <b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 6 months	• <b>No:</b> Go to #7
7. Is the diagnosis gender dysphoria (ICD10 F642, F641)?	• <b>Yes:</b> Go to #8	• <b>No:</b> Go to #9

## Approval Criteria

<p>8. Does the meet request <b>all</b> of the following criteria?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diagnosis of gender dysphoria made by a mental health professional with experience in gender dysphoria.</li> <li>• Onset of puberty confirmed by physical changes and hormone levels, but no earlier than Tanner Stages 2.</li> <li>• The prescriber agrees criteria in the Guideline Notes on the OHP List of Prioritized Services have been met.* <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• *From Guideline Note 127: To qualify for cross-sex hormone therapy, the patient must:A) have persistent, well-documented gender dysphoria B) have the capacity to make a fully informed decision and to give consent for treatment C) have any significant medical or mental health concerns reasonably well controlled D) have a comprehensive mental health evaluation provided in accordance with Version 7 of the World Professional Association for Transgender Health (WPATH) Standards of Care (<a href="http://www.wpath.org">www.wpath.org</a>).</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 6 months.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh; deny for medical appropriateness</p>
<p>9. Is this request for treatment of breast cancer or prostate cancer?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve up to 1 year</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #10</p>
<p>10. Is this request for leuprolide for the management of preoperative anemia due to uterine leiomyoma?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 3 months</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #11</p>
<p>11. Is this request for management of moderate to severe pain associated with endometriosis in a woman <math>\geq 18</math> years of age?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #12</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
<p>12. Is the request for goserelin, leuprolide, nafarelin or elagolix?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to # 13</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
<p>13. Is the patient pregnant or actively trying to conceive?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #14</p>

## Approval Criteria

<p>14. Has the patient tried and failed an adequate trial of preferred first line therapy options including continuous administration of combined hormonal contraceptives or progestins alone?</p> <p>-or-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Does the patient have a documented intolerance, FDA-labeled contraindication, or hypersensitivity the first-line therapy options?</li> </ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #15</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First-line therapy options such as hormonal contraceptives or progestins do not require PA</li> </ul>
<p>15. Does the patient have a diagnosis of osteoporosis or related bone-loss condition?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• *Note: In women with major risk factors for decreased bone mineral density (BMD) such as chronic alcohol (&gt; 3 units per day) or tobacco use, strong family history of osteoporosis, or chronic use of drugs that can decrease BMD, such as anticonvulsants or corticosteroids, use of GnRH modifiers may pose an additional risk, and the risks and benefits should be weighed carefully</li> </ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #16</p>
<p>16. Is the request for elagolix?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #17</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Approve for up to 6 months</p>
<p>17. Is the patient taking any concomitant medications that are strong organic anion transporting polypeptide (OATP) 1B1 inhibitors? (e.g. cyclosporine, gemfibrozil, etc.)</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Deny; medical appropriateness</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #18</p>
<p>18. Does the patient have severe hepatic impairment as documented by Child-Pugh class C?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #19</p>

## Approval Criteria

<p>19. Does the patient have moderate hepatic impairment as documented by Child-Pugh class B?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #20</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Approve for 6 months</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Note maximum recommended duration of therapy for nafarelin, leuprolide, and goserelin is 6 months. If requesting continuation of therapy beyond 6 months, pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</li> </ul>
<p>20. Is the dose for elagolix 150 mg once daily?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for 6 months</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
<p>21. RPh only: All other indications need to be evaluated as to whether it is funded under the OHP. Refer unique situations to Medical Director of DMAP.</p>		

## Renewal Criteria

<p>1. Has the patient been receiving therapy with elagolix 150 mg once daily?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #2</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh; Deny; medical appropriateness.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(Elagolix 200 mg twice daily is limited to 6-month maximum treatment duration per FDA labeling)</li> </ul>
<p>2. Does the patient have moderate hepatic impairment as documented by Child-Pugh Class B?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh; Deny; medical appropriateness.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(Elagolix 150 mg once daily is limited to 6-month maximum treatment duration in patients with moderate hepatic impairment per FDA labeling)</li> </ul>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #3</p>

## Renewal Criteria

3. Has the patient's condition improved as assessed and documented by the prescriber?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 6 months. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Total cumulative treatment period not to exceed 24 months.</li><li>• Document baseline assessment and physician attestation received.</li></ul>	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh; Deny; medical appropriateness.
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*P&T / DUR Review:* 3/19 (DM); 1/19  
*Implementation:* 5/1/19

## Agents for Gout

**Goal(s):**

- To provide evidenced-based step-therapy for the treatment of acute gout flares, prophylaxis of gout and chronic gout.

**Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 12 months

**Requires PA:**

- Non-preferred drugs

**Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Will the provider switch to a preferred product?  Note: Preferred products are reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Oregon Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee. Preferred products are available without a PA	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in the class	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
3. Is the request for colchicine?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Go to #5
4. Has the patient tried and failed NSAID therapy or have contraindications to NSAIDs or is a candidate for combination therapy (i.e., multiple joint involvement and severe pain)?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 12 months	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; recommend trial of NSAID
5. Is the request for febuxostat?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #6	<b>No:</b> Go to #7
6. Has the patient tried and failed allopurinol or has contraindications to allopurinol?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 12 months	<b>NO:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; recommend trial of allopurinol
7. Is the request for lesinurad?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #8	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; Medical appropriateness

## Approval Criteria

8. Is the patient concomitantly taking a xanthine oxidase inhibitor (e.g., allopurinol, febuxostat)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #9	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
9. Is the estimated CrCl < 45 mL/min?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness	<b>No:</b> Approve for 12 months at a maximum daily dose of 200 mg

*P&T/DUR Review:* 1/17 (KS)  
*Implementation:* 4/1/2017

## Growth Hormones

**Goal(s):**

- Restrict use of growth hormone (GH) for funded diagnoses where there is medical evidence of effectiveness and safety.

NOTE: Treatment with GH in children should continue only until adult height as determined by bone age is achieved. Treatment is not included for isolated deficiency of human growth hormone in adults.

**Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 12 months

**Requires PA:**

- All GH products require prior authorization for OHP coverage. Treatment of human growth hormone deficiency for adults is not funded by the OHP.

**Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Initial Approval Criteria		
1. What is the diagnosis being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Is the request for an FDA approved indication?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
3. Is this a request for initiation of growth hormone?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Go to <b>Renewal Criteria</b>
4. Is the patient an adult (>18 years of age)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #9	<b>No:</b> Go to #5
5. Is the prescriber a pediatric endocrinologist or pediatric nephrologist?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #6	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
6. Is the diagnosis promotion of growth delay in a child with 3rd degree burns?	<b>Yes:</b> Document and send to DHS Medical Director for review and pending approval	<b>No:</b> Go to #7

Initial Approval Criteria		
7. If male, is bone age <16 years? If female, is bone age <14 years?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #8	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
8. Is there evidence of non-closure of epiphyseal plate?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #10	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
9. Is the request for isolated human growth hormone deficiency in an adult (E23.0)?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.	<b>No:</b> Go to #10
10. Is the product requested preferred?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months	<b>No:</b> Go to #11
11. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?  <u>Message:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Preferred products are reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Oregon Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&amp;T) Committee.</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class and approve for up to 12 months.	<b>No:</b> Approve for up to 12 months

Renewal Criteria		
1. Document approximate date of initiation of therapy and diagnosis (if not already done).		
2. Is the request for continuation of therapy which was initiated as an adult (>18 years of age)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
3. Is growth velocity greater than 2.5 cm per year?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
4. Is male bone age <16 years or female bone age <14 years?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #6	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
5. Is the request for isolated human growth hormone deficiency in an adult (E23.0)?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.	<b>No:</b> Go to #6
6. Is the product requested preferred?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months	<b>No:</b> Go to #7

<p>7. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?</p> <p><u>Message:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Preferred products are reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Oregon Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&amp;T) Committee.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class and approve for up to 12 months</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Approve for up to 12 months</p>
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*P&T Review:* 11/18 (SS); 9/17; 9/16; 9/15; 9/14; 9/10; 5/10; 9/08; 2/06; 11/03; 9/03  
*Implementation:* 1/1/19; 10/13/16; 1/1/11, 7/1/10, 4/15/09, 10/1/03, 9/1/06; 10/1/03

## Drugs for Hereditary Transthyretin-Mediated Amyloidosis (hATTR)

### **Goal(s):**

- To limit utilization of medications for hATTR to FDA-approved indications.

### **Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 6 months

### **Requires PA:** (Both pharmacy and physician-administered claims)

- All medications indicated for hATTR

### **Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

**Table 1: FDA approved therapies for hATTR amyloidosis**

Drug	Indication
Inotersen	Polyneuropathy of hATTR
Patisiran	Polyneuropathy of hATTR
Tafamidis	Cardiomyopathy of hATTR

Approval Criteria		
1. Is this a request for continuation of therapy previously approved by the FFS program?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to <b>Renewal Criteria</b>	<b>No:</b> Go to #2
2. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
3. Is the diagnosis funded by OHP?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.
4. Is this an FDA approved indication of hATTR amyloidosis supported by transthyretin mutation proven by genetic testing (See Table 1)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5 Document genotype.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
5. Does the patient have clinical signs and symptoms of disease (peripheral/autonomic neuropathy, motor disability)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #6	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
6. Is the patient on Vitamin A supplementation?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #7	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
7. Is the request for or is the patient on concurrent use of more than one hATTR therapy (including diflunisal)?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.	<b>No:</b> Go to #8

Approval Criteria		
8. Has the patient had a liver transplantation?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.	<b>No:</b> Go to #9
9. Is baseline disease severity documented (Baseline polyneuropathy disability (PND) score and Familial amyloid polyneuropathy (FAP) stage)?	<b>Yes:</b> Document values. Go to #10	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
10. Was the medication prescribed or in consultation with a neurologist?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #11	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
11. Is the request for patisiran?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 6 months	<b>No:</b> Go #12
12. Is the request for inotersen?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to # 13	<b>No:</b> Go to #15
13. Has a baseline platelet count been obtained in the previous 3 months and are $\geq 125 \times 10^9/L$ ?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #14 Document baseline platelet count: _____ Date of Lab: _____	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
14. Has baseline renal function been evaluated in the previous 3 months?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 6 months Document baseline serum creatinine and BUN: _____ Date of Lab: _____	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
15. Is the request for a newly approved hATTR therapy and does the indication match the FDA approved indication?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 6 months	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

Renewal Criteria		
1. Has the patient had a documented response to treatment including at least one of the following: a. Improved neurologic impairment b. Improved motor function c. Improved quality of life	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #2	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh; Deny (medical appropriateness)

<b>Renewal Criteria</b>		
2. Has the patient experienced stabilization OR improvement from baseline in one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Baseline polyneuropathy disability (PND) score</li> <li>b. Familial amyloid polyneuropathy (FAP) stage</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh; Deny (medical appropriateness)
3. Is the renewal for inotersen?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Approve for 12 months
4. Does the patient have a platelet count $\geq 100 \times 10^9/L$ ?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 12 months	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

*P&T/DUR Review: 7/19 (MH)  
Implementation: 8/19/19*

## Hepatitis B Antivirals

### Goal(s):

- Approve treatment supported by medical evidence and consensus guidelines
- Cover preferred products when feasible for covered diagnosis

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 12 months; quantity limited to a 30-day supply per dispensing.

### Requires PA:

- All Hepatitis B antivirals

### Covered Alternatives:

- Preferred alternatives listed at <http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/>

### Pediatric Age Restrictions:

- lamivudine (Epivir HBV) – 2-17 years
- adefovir dipivoxil (Hepsera) – 12 years and up
- entecavir (Baraclude) – 2 years and up
- telbivudine (Tyzeka) – 16 years and up
- tenofovir disoproxil fumarate (Viread) – 12 years and up
- tenofovir alafenamide (Vemlidy) – safety and effectiveness not established in pediatrics

### Approval Criteria

1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Is the diagnosis an OHP-funded diagnosis?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP
3. Is the request for an antiviral for the treatment of HIV/AIDS?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months	<b>No:</b> Go to #4
4. Is the request for treatment of chronic Hepatitis B?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

<b>Approval Criteria</b>		
<p>5. Is this a continuation of current therapy previously approved by the FFS program (i.e. filled prescription within prior 90 days)?</p> <p>Verify via pharmacy claims.            ***If request is for Pegasys, refer to PA criteria "Pegylated Interferon and Ribavirin."***</p>	<b>Yes:</b> Go to Renewal Criteria	<b>No:</b> Go to #6
<p>6. Has the client tried and is intolerant to, resistant to, or has a contraindication to the preferred products?</p>	<b>Yes:</b> Document intolerance or contraindication. Approve requested treatment for 6 months with monthly quantity limit of 30-day supply.	<b>No:</b> Go to #7
<p>7. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?</p>	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class	<b>No:</b> Approve requested treatment for 6 months with monthly quantity limit of 30-day supply
<b>Renewal Criteria</b>		
<p>1. Is the patient adherent with the requested treatment (see refill history)?</p>	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #2	No: Deny; Pass to RPh for provider consult
<p>2. Is HBV DNA undetectable (below 10 IU/mL by real time PCR) or the patient has evidence of cirrhosis?</p> <p>Note: Antiviral treatment is indicated irrespective of HBV DNA level in patients with cirrhosis to prevent reactivation.</p>	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 1 year with monthly quantity limit of 30-day supply	No: Deny; pass to RPh for provider consult

P&T Review: 3/17(MH); 3/12  
 Implementation: 4/1/17; 5/29/14; 1/13

## Hepatitis C Direct-Acting

### Goals:

- Approve use of cost-effective treatments supported by the medical evidence.
- Provide consistent patient evaluations across all hepatitis C treatments.
- Ensure appropriate patient regimen based on disease severity, genotype, and patient comorbidities.

### Length of Authorization:

- 8-16 weeks

### Requires PA:

- All direct-acting antivirals for treatment of Hepatitis C

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is the request for treatment of chronic Hepatitis C infection (B18.2)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
3. Is expected survival from non-HCV-associated morbidities more than 1 year?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.

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<p>4. Has <u>all</u> of the following pre-treatment testing been documented:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Genotype testing in past 3 years is required if the patient has cirrhosis, <u>any</u> prior treatment experience, and if prescribed a regimen which is not pan-genotypic;</li> <li>b. Baseline HCV RNA level in past 6 months;</li> <li>c. Current HBV status of patient</li> <li>d. Pregnancy test in past 30 days for a woman of child-bearing age; <u>and</u></li> <li>e. History of previous HCV treatment and outcome</li> <li>f. Presence or absence of cirrhosis as clinically determined (e.g., clinical, laboratory, or radiologic evidence)?</li> </ul> <p>Note: Direct-acting antiviral agents can re-activate hepatitis B in some patients. Patients with history of HBV should be monitored carefully during and after treatment for flare-up of hepatitis. Prior to treatment with a DAA, all patients should be tested for HBsAG, HBsAb, and HBcAB status. HIV testing is also recommended, and modification of HIV or HCV treatment regimens may be necessary if there are significant drug-drug interactions.</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Record results of each test and go to #5</p> <p>Note: If the patient has HIV or HBV co-infection, it is highly recommended that a specialist be consulted prior to treatment.</p> <p>Currently treatment is not recommended during pregnancy due to lack of safety and efficacy data</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Request updated testing.</p>
<p>5. Which regimen is requested?</p>	<p>Document and go to #6</p>	
<p>6. Does the patient have clinical, radiologic or laboratory evidence of complications of cirrhosis (ascites, portal hypertension, hepatic encephalopathy, hepatocellular carcinoma, esophageal varices)?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #7</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #8</p>

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<p>7. Is the regimen prescribed by, OR is the patient in the process of establishing care with or in consultation with a hepatologist, gastroenterologist, or infectious disease specialist?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #8</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p> <p>Recommend prescriber document referral to a specialist prior to initiating treatment.</p>
<p>8. Is there attestation that the patient and provider will comply with case management to promote the best possible outcome for the patient and adhere to monitoring requirements required by the Oregon Health Authority, including measuring and reporting of a post-treatment viral load?</p> <p>Case management includes assessment of treatment barriers and offer of patient support to mitigate potential barriers to regimen adherence as well as facilitation of SVR12 evaluation to assess treatment success.</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #9</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>
<p>9. Is the prescribed drug:</p> <p>a) Elbasvir/grazoprevir for GT 1a infection; <u>or</u></p> <p>b) Daclatasvir + sofosbuvir for GT 3 infection?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #10</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #11</p>
<p>10. Has the patient had a baseline NS5a resistance test that documents a resistant variant to one of the agents in #16?</p> <p>Note: Baseline NS5A resistance testing is required.</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh; deny for appropriateness</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #11</p> <p>Document test and result.</p>

<b>Approval Criteria</b>		
11. Does the prescribed regimen include a NS3/4a protease inhibitor (elbasvir, glecaprevir, simeprevir, paritaprevir, voxilaprevir)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #12	<b>No:</b> Go to #13
12. Does the patient have moderate-severe hepatic impairment (Child-Pugh B or Child-Pugh C)?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh; deny for appropriateness	<b>No:</b> Go to #13
13. Is the prescribed regimen for the retreatment after failure of a DAA due to noncompliance or loss of follow-up?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh; Deny and refer to medical director for review	<b>No:</b> Go to #14
14. Is the prescribed drug regimen a recommended regimen based on the patient's genotype, treatment status (retreatment or treatment naïve) and cirrhosis status (see <b>Table 1</b> )?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 8-16 weeks based on duration of treatment indicated for approved regimen	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.

**Table 1: Recommended Treatment Regimens for Chronic Hepatitis C.**

<b>Treatment History</b>	<b>Cirrhosis Status</b>	<b>Recommended Regimen</b>
<b>Genotype 1</b>		
<b>DAA-Treatment naïve</b>	Non-cirrhotic	EBV/GZR x 12 weeks** SOF/VEL x 12 weeks G/P x 8 weeks
	Compensated Cirrhosis	EBV/GZR x 12 weeks** SOF/VEL x 12 weeks G/P x 12 weeks
	Decompensated Cirrhosis	SOF/VEL + RBV x 12 week
<b>Treatment experienced (Prior PEG/RBV)</b>	Non-cirrhotic	EBV/GZR x 12 weeks** SOF/VEL x 12 weeks G/P x 8 weeks
	Compensated cirrhosis	EBV/GRZ 12weeks** SOF/VEL x 12 weeks G/P x 12 weeks

<b>Treatment Experienced (Prior sofosbuvir)</b>	Non-cirrhotic or compensated cirrhosis	SOF/VEL x 12 weeks G/P x 12 weeks
<b>Treatment Experienced (Prior NS3A/4A inhibitor)</b>	Non-cirrhotic or compensated cirrhosis	SOF/VEL x 12 weeks EBV/GZR + RBV x 12 weeks** G/P x 12 weeks
<b>Treatment Experienced (prior NS5A-containing regimen)</b>	Non-cirrhotic or compensated cirrhosis	G/P x 16 weeks
<b>Genotype 2</b>		
<b>Naïve</b>	Non-cirrhotic	SOF/VEL x 12 weeks G/P x 8 weeks
	Compensated cirrhosis	SOF/VEL x 12 weeks G/P x 12 weeks
	Decompensated	SOF/VEL + RBV x 12 weeks
<b>Treatment Experienced (prior PEG/RBV)</b>	Non-cirrhotic	SOF/VEL x 12 weeks G/P x 8 weeks
	Compensated cirrhosis	SOF/VEL x 12 weeks G/P x 12 weeks
<b>Treatment Experienced (SOF + RBV)</b>	Non-cirrhotic or compensated cirrhosis	SOF/VEL x 12 weeks G/P x 12 weeks
<b>Treatment Experienced (prior NS5A-containing regimen)</b>	Non-cirrhotic or compensated cirrhosis	SOF/VEL/VOX x 12 weeks
<b>Genotype 3</b>		
<b>Naïve</b>	Non-cirrhotic	SOF/VEL X 12 weeks G/P x 8 weeks
	Compensated cirrhosis	SOF/VEL + RBV x 12 weeks G/P x 12 weeks
	Decompensated Cirrhosis	SOF/VEL + RBV x 12 weeks
<b>Treatment Experienced (prior PEG/RBV only)</b>	Non-cirrhotic or compensated cirrhosis	SOF/VEL x 12 weeks G/P x 16 weeks
<b>Treatment Experienced (SOF + RBV)</b>	Non-cirrhotic or compensated cirrhosis	G/P x 16 weeks
<b>Experienced (prior NS5A-containing regimen)</b>	Non-cirrhotic or compensated cirrhosis	SOF/VEL/VOX x 12 weeks
<b>Genotype 4</b>		
<b>Treatment Naïve</b>	Non-cirrhotic	SOF/VEL x 12 weeks EBV/GZR x 12 weeks G/P x 8 weeks
	Compensated cirrhosis	SOF/VEL x 12 weeks EBV/GZR x 12 weeks G/P x 12 weeks
	Decompensated Cirrhosis	SOF/VEL + RBV x 12 week
<b>Treatment Experienced (prior</b>	Non-cirrhotic	SOF/VEL x 12 weeks

<b>PEG/RBV only)</b>		EBV/GZR x 12 weeks G/P x 8 weeks
	Compensated cirrhosis	SOF/VEL x 12 weeks EBV/GZR x 12 weeks G/P x 12 weeks
<b>Treatment Experienced (prior NS5A-containing regimen OR sofosbuvir)</b>	Non-cirrhotic or compensated cirrhosis	SOF/VEL/VOX x 12 weeks
<b>Genotype 5/6</b>		
<b>Treatment Naïve or Experienced (prior PEG-IFN/RBV only)</b>	Non-cirrhotic	SOF/VEL x 12 weeks G/P x 8 weeks
	Compensated cirrhosis	SOF/VEL x 12 weeks G/P x 12 weeks
	Decompensated cirrhosis	SOF/VEL + RBV x 12 weeks
<b>Experienced (prior NS5A-containing regimen OR sofosbuvir)</b>	Non-cirrhotic or compensated cirrhosis	SOF/VEL/VOX x 12 weeks
<p>Abbreviations: CTP = Child-Turcotte-Pugh; DAA = direct acting antiviral; EBV/GZR = elbasvir/grazoprevir; G/P = glecaprevir and pibrentasvir; PEG = pegylated interferon; RAV = resistance-associated variant; RBV = ribavirin; SOF = sofosbuvir; SOF/VEL = sofosbuvir/velpatasvir; SOF/VEL/VOX = sofosbuvir/velpatasvir/voxilaprevir</p> <p><b>**No baseline NS5A RAVs. For genotype 1a patients with baseline NS5A RAVs, extend duration to 16 weeks.</b></p> <p><b>*Evidence is insufficient if the addition of RBV may benefit subjects with GT3 and cirrhosis. If RBV is not used with regimen, then baseline RAV testing should be done prior to treatment to rule out the Y93 polymorphism.</b></p> <p><b>^ Rarely, genotyping assays may indicate the presence of a mixed infection (e.g., genotypes 1a and 2). Treatment data for mixed genotypes with direct-acting antivirals are limited. However, in these cases, a pangenotypic regimen is appropriate.</b></p> <p><b>Ribavirin-containing regimens are absolutely contraindicated in pregnant women and in the male partners of women who are pregnant. Documented use of two forms of birth control in patients and sex partners for whom a ribavirin containing regimen is chosen is required.</b></p> <p><b>Regimens other than glecaprevir/pibrentasvir (G/P;) and elbasvir/grazoprevir (EBV/GZR) should not be used in patients with severe renal impairment (GRF &lt; 30 mL/min) or end stage renal disease requiring dialysis.</b></p> <p><b>All regimens containing a protease inhibitor (elbasvir, glecaprevir, simeprevir, paritaprevir, voxilaprevir) should not be used in patients with moderate to severe hepatic impairment (CTP B and C).</b></p> <p><b>There is limited data supporting DAA regimens in treatment- experienced patients with decompensated cirrhosis. These patients should be handled on a case by case basis with the patient, prescriber, and CCO or FFS medical director.</b></p>		

P&T Review: 1/19; 11/18; 9/18 (MH); 1/18; 9/17; 9/16; 1/16; 5/15; 3/15; 1/15; 9/14; 1/14  
Implementation: 3/1/2019; 1/1/2019; 3/1/2018; 1/1/2018; 2/12/16; 4/15; 1/15

## Hereditary Angioedema

### Goal(s):

- To promote safe and effective use of hereditary angioedema treatments.

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 12 months

### Requires PA:

- All pharmacotherapy for hereditary angioedema (pharmacy and physician administered claims).

NOTE: This policy does not apply to hereditary angioedema treatments administered during emergency department visits or hospitalization.

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

**Table 1.** FDA Approved indications and dosing for hereditary angioedema treatments

Drug Name	Place in Therapy	FDA Indication(s)	Dose and Frequency
<b>C1 esterase inhibitor (Berinert®)</b>	Acute	Acute abdominal, facial, or laryngeal HAE attacks	20 units/kg as a single dose
<b>C1 esterase inhibitor, recombinant (Ruconest®)</b>	Acute	Acute HAE attacks in adults and adolescents. Efficacy has not been established in laryngeal attacks.	50 units/kg as a single dose; maximum dose: 4,200 units
<b>Ecallantide (Kalbitor®)</b>	Acute	Acute HAE attacks in patients ≥12 years of age	30 mg as a one-time dose (3 injections); may repeat once within 24 hours if attack continues
<b>Icatibant (Firazyr®)</b>	Acute	Acute HAE attacks	30 mg once; may repeat every 6 hours if response is inadequate; maximum dose per day: 90 mg
<b>C1 esterase inhibitor (Cinryze®)</b>	Prophylaxis	HAE prophylaxis in patients ≥6 years of age	1,000 units every 3 to 4 days (twice weekly); doses up to 2,500 units (≤100 units/kg) every 3 or 4 days may be considered based on individual patient response.
<b>C1 esterase inhibitor (Haegarda®)</b>	Prophylaxis	HAE prophylaxis in adults and adolescents	60 units/kg every 3 to 4 days (twice weekly)
<b>Lanadelumab-flyo (Takhzyro™)</b>	Prophylaxis	HAE prophylaxis in patients ≥12 years of age	300 mg every 2 weeks; may consider dosing every 4 weeks for patients who are well-controlled for > 6 months

### Approval Criteria

1. What diagnosis is being treated?

Record ICD10 code.

<b>Approval Criteria</b>		
2. Is this a request for continuation of prophylactic therapy OR for treatment of a second acute attack previously approved through fee-for-service?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to <b>Renewal Criteria</b>	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
3. Is the request for an FDA approved indication and place in therapy according to <b>Table 1</b> and is there confirmed laboratory diagnosis of hereditary angioedema (e.g., low C4 levels and either low C1 inhibitor antigenic levels or low C1 inhibitor functional levels)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4  Document presence of labs	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
4. Is the diagnosis funded by OHP?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.
5. Has the provider documented discussion with the patient of risks (including thrombotic events and/or anaphylaxis) versus benefits of therapy?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #6	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.  Notify provider of potential serious adverse effects of therapy. See notes below.
6. Is the request for icatibant or lanadelumab-flyo?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #8	<b>No:</b> Go to #7
7. Is the patient prescribed concurrent epinephrine or do they have epinephrine on hand?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #8	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
8. Is the medication intended to be administered by a non-healthcare professional?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #9	<b>No:</b> Go to #10
9. Has the member received training on identification of an acute attack?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #10	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
10. Is the request for treatment of an acute hereditary angioedema attack?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #13  Document attack severity if available	<b>No:</b> Go to #11

Approval Criteria		
11. Is the request for prophylactic use in a patient with a history of hereditary angioedema attacks?	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #12</p> <p>Document baseline number of attacks in the last 6 months</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>
12. Have potential triggering factors for angioedema including medications such as estrogens, progestins, or angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitors been assessed and discontinued when appropriate?	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #13</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>
<p>13. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?</p> <p>Message: Preferred products are evidence-based reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Oregon Pharmacy &amp; Therapeutics Committee.</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Approve for the following recommended durations:</p> <p>Acute treatment: Approve based on standard FDA dosing for treatment of a single acute attack (see <b>Table 1</b>)</p> <p>Prophylactic treatment: Approve for up to 6 months or length of therapy, whichever is less.</p>

Renewal Criteria		
1. Is the request for additional treatment for acute attacks?	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #2</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #5</p>
2. Is there documented utilization and benefit of the initial approved dose?	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve based on standard FDA dosing for treatment of a single acute attack (see <b>Table 1</b>).</p> <p>Document attack severity if available</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #3</p>
3. Does the patient currently already have at least one on-demand dose for an acute attack?	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #4</p>

Renewal Criteria		
4. Is there documentation from the prescriber that an on-demand dose is necessary and risks of therapy continue to outweigh the benefits?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve based on standard FDA dosing for treatment of a single acute attack (see <b>Table 1</b> ).  Document attack severity if available	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
5. Since initiation of therapy, has the number or severity of hereditary angioedema attacks decreased?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #6  Document change in attack frequency or severity	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
6. Has the patient been attack free for at least 6 months?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #7	<b>No:</b> Approve for up to 12 months.
7. Is there documentation from the prescriber that they have evaluated continued necessity of long-term prophylactic treatment at the current dose?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 6 months.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.

Notes on adverse effects of treatment:

C1 esterase inhibitors

- In clinical trials of patients with moderate to severe hereditary angioedema attacks, use of C1 esterase inhibitors improved the duration of symptoms by an average 1-2 hours compared to placebo. Prophylactic use has only been evaluated in patients with more than 2 attacks per month.
- Hypersensitivity reactions have been observed with C1 esterase inhibitors. Due to the risk of anaphylaxis, it is recommended that all patients prescribed human derived C1 esterase inhibitors have epinephrine immediately available.
- Serious arterial and venous thrombotic events have been reported with use of C1 esterase inhibitors, particularly in patients with pre-existing risk factors for thromboembolism. The exact incidence of thrombosis with C1 esterase inhibitors is unclear. In patients using prophylactic therapy with Cinryze®, over an average of 2.6 years, 3% of patients experienced thrombosis.

Ecallantide

- The average improvement in symptoms compared to placebo at 4 hours after treatment of an acute attack was 0.4 points on a 0-3 point scale.
- Ecallantide has a box warning for anaphylaxis. In clinical trials, 3-4% of patients treated with ecallantide experienced anaphylaxis. Risks of treatment should be weighed against the benefits.

Icatibant

- In clinical trials of icatibant for acute attacks, time to 50% overall symptom improvement was 17.8 hours better than placebo (19 vs. 2 hours). A second study demonstrated no difference from placebo in time to symptom improvement. There are no data available on quality of life, daily activities, physical or mental functioning with use of icatibant.

Lanadelumab-flyo

- Prophylactic use has only been evaluated in patients with more than 1 moderate-severe attack per month. Hypersensitivity reactions were observed in 1% of patients treated with C1 esterase inhibitors. Elevated liver enzymes were also observed more frequently with lanadelumab compared to placebo (2% vs. 0%), and the long-term safety is unknown.
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*P&T/DUR Review: 3/19 (SS)*  
*Implementation: 5/1/19*

## Hydroxyprogesterone caproate

**Goal(s):**

- To ensure appropriate drug use and limit to patient populations in which hydroxyprogesterone caproate injection has been shown to be effective and safe.

**Length of Authorization:**

- 20 weeks to 6 months (criteria-specific)

**Requires PA:**

- Hydroxyprogesterone caproate injection (physician administered and pharmacy claims)

**Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Is the diagnosis funded by OHP?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP
3. Is the drug formulation to be used for an FDA-approved indication?  Message: Only Makena and its generics are approved for prevention of preterm birth	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
4. Is the request for a non-preferred product and will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?  Message: Preferred products are evidence-based and reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the P&T Committee.	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of preferred alternatives in class.	<b>No:</b> Go to #5

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5. Is the request for Delalutin® or its generic products?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 6 month	<b>No:</b> Go to #6
6. Is the request for Makena or its generics and is the patient between 16 weeks and 36 weeks 6 days gestation with a singleton pregnancy?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #7	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
7. Has the patient had a prior history of preterm delivery before 37 weeks gestation (spontaneous preterm singleton birth)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #8	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
8. Is treatment being initiated at 16 weeks, 0 days and to 20 weeks, 6 days of gestation?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve through week 37 of gestation or delivery, whichever occurs first (no more than 20 doses).	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

P&T/DUR Review: 3/19 (SS); 1/17 (SS); 5/13  
 Implementation: 5/1/19; 4/1/17, 1/1/14

## Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis (IPF) Agents

### **Goal:**

- Restrict use of IPF agent to populations in which the drug has demonstrated efficacy.

### **Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 12 months

### **Requires PA:**

- Non-preferred drugs

### **Preferred Alternatives:**

- No preferred alternatives at this time

Approval Criteria		
1. Is this request for continuation of therapy previously approved by the FFS program (patient has already been on IPF drug)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to <b>Renewal Criteria</b>	<b>No:</b> Go to #2
2. Does the patient have a diagnosis of idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis (ICD-10 J84112 )?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
3. Is the treatment prescribed by a pulmonologist?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
4. Does the patient have a forced vital capacity (FVC) >50%?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
5. Is the patient a current smoker?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.  Efficacy of approved drugs for IPF may be altered in smokers due to decreased exposure (see prescribing information).	<b>No:</b> Go to #6
6. Are pirfenidone and nintedanib concurrently prescribed in this patient?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness. Safety and efficacy of concomitant therapy has not been established.	<b>No:</b> Approve for up to 12 months.

Renewal Criteria		
Is there evidence of disease progression (defined as $\geq 10\%$ decline in percent-predicted FVC) within the previous 12 months?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.	<b>No:</b> Approve for up to 12 months.

P&T/DUR Review: 7/15 (KS)

Implementation: 8/16, 8/25/15

## Inhaled Corticosteroids (ICS)

### **Goals:**

- To optimize the safe and effective use of ICS therapy in patients with asthma and COPD.
- Step-therapy required prior to coverage for non-preferred ICS products:
  - Asthma: inhaled short-acting beta-agonist.
  - COPD: short-acting and long-acting bronchodilators (inhaled anticholinergics and beta-agonists). Preferred short-acting and long-acting bronchodilators do NOT require prior authorization. See preferred drug list options at <http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/>.

### **Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 12 months

### **Requires PA:**

- Non-preferred ICS products

### **Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 Code	
2. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?  <u>Message:</u> Preferred products are reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Oregon Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&T) Committee.	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class.	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
3. Is the request for treatment of asthma or reactive airway disease?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #7	<b>No:</b> Go to #4

## Approval Criteria

<p>4. Is the request for treatment of COPD, mucopurulent chronic bronchitis and/or emphysema?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #5</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p> <p>Need a supporting diagnosis. If prescriber believes diagnosis is appropriate, inform prescriber of the appeals process for Medical Director Review. Chronic bronchitis is unfunded.</p>
<p>5. Does the patient have an active prescription for an on-demand short-acting bronchodilator (anticholinergic or beta-agonist)?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #6</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>
<p>6. Does the patient have an active prescription for an inhaled long-acting bronchodilator (anticholinergic or beta-agonist)?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>
<p>7. Does the patient have an active prescription for an on-demand short-acting beta-agonist (SABA) or an alternative rescue medication for acute asthma exacerbations?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>

P&T/DUR Review: 5/19 (KS), 1/18; 9/16; 9/15  
 Implementation: 3/1/18; 10/13/16; 10/9/15

## Insulins

**Goal:**

- Restrict certain insulin products to specific patient populations to ensure appropriate use.

**Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 12 months

**Requires PA:**

- Non-preferred insulin vials
- All pre-filled insulin pens, cartridges and syringes with the exception of insulin glargine (Lantus SoloSTAR®) or insulin aspart (Novolog Flexpen®)

**Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Is this an OHP-funded diagnosis?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP
3. Is the request for an insulin pen or cartridge?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Go to #7
4. Is the request for either a short-acting or a long-acting insulin pen or cartridge?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Got to #6
5. Has the patient tried and failed or have contraindications to either: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>insulin aspart (Novolog®) if the request is for short-acting insulin OR</li> <li>insulin glargine (Lantus®) if the request is for long-acting insulin?</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #6	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh; deny and recommend a trial of insulin glargine (Lantus SoloSTAR®) or insulin aspart (Novolog Flexpen®)
6. Will the insulin be administered by the patient or a non-professional caregiver <b>AND</b> do any of the following criteria apply: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The patient has physical dexterity problems/vision impairment</li> <li>The patient is unable to comprehend basic administration instructions</li> <li>The patient has a history of dosing errors with use of vials</li> <li>The patient is a child less than 18 years of age?</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #7	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh; deny for medical appropriateness

## Approval Criteria

7. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?

Message:

- Preferred products are reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Oregon Pharmacy & Therapeutics Committee

**Yes:** Inform prescriber of covered alternatives

**No:** Approve for up to 12 months

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*P&T / DUR Review:* 11/18 (KS); 9/17; 3/16; 11/15; 9/10  
*Implementation:* 11/1/17; 10/13/16; 1/1/11

## Intranasal Allergy Drugs

### Goals:

- Restrict use of intranasal allergy inhalers for conditions funded by the OHP and where there is evidence of benefit.
- Treatment for allergic or non-allergic rhinitis is funded by the OHP only if it complicates asthma, sinusitis or obstructive sleep apnea. Only intranasal corticosteroids have evidence of benefit for these conditions.

### Length of Authorization:

- 30 days to 6 months

### Requires PA:

- Preferred intranasal corticosteroids without prior claims evidence of asthma
- Non-preferred intranasal corticosteroids
- Intranasal antihistamines
- Intranasal cromolyn sodium

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)
- Preferred intranasal corticosteroids, preferred second generation antihistamines, and first-generation antihistamines DO NOT require prior authorization.

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Is the prescribed drug an intranasal corticosteroid?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP
3. Is the prescribed drug a preferred product?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Go to #4
4. Will the prescriber consider switching to a preferred product?  <u>Note:</u> Preferred products are reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Oregon Pharmacy & Therapeutics Committee.	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of preferred alternatives. Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Go to #5

## Approval Criteria

<p>5. Does patient have co-morbid conditions funded by the OHP?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chronic Sinusitis ( J320-J329)</li> <li>• Acute Sinusitis (J0100; J0110; J0120; J0130; J0140; J0190)</li> <li>• Sleep Apnea (G4730; G4731; G4733; G4739)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Document ICD10 code(s) and approve for up to 6 months for chronic sinusitis or sleep apnea and approve for no more than 30 days for acute sinusitis</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #6</p>
<p>6. Is there a diagnosis of asthma or reactive airway disease in the past 1 year (J4520-J4522; J45901-45998)?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #7</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #8</p>
<p>7. Is there a claim for an <i>orally</i> inhaled corticosteroid in the past 90 days?</p> <p><u>Note:</u> Asthma-related outcomes are not improved by the addition of an intranasal corticosteroid to an orally inhaled corticosteroid.</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Approve for up to 6 months</p>
<p>8. RPh only: Is the diagnosis funded by the OHP?</p>	<p><b>Funded:</b> Deny; medical appropriateness.</p> <p>(eg, COPD; Obstructive Chronic Bronchitis; or other Chronic Bronchitis [J449; J40; J410-418; J42; J440-449])</p> <p>Use clinical judgment to APPROVE for 1 month starting today to allow time for appeal.</p> <p>Message: “The request has been denied because it is considered medically inappropriate; however, it has been APPROVED for 1 month to allow time for appeal.”</p>	<p><b>Not Funded:</b> Deny; not funded by the OHP.</p> <p>(eg, allergic rhinitis (J300-J309); chronic rhinitis (J310-312); allergic conjunctivitis (H1045); upper respiratory infection (J069); acute nasopharyngitis (common cold) (J00); urticaria (L500-L509); etc.)</p>

P&T / DUR Review: 11/15 (AG); 7/15; 9/08; 2/06; 9/04; 5/04; 5/02

Implementation: 10/13/16; 1/1/16; 8/25/15; 8/09; 9/06; 3/06; 5/05; 10/04; 8/02

## Ivabradine (Corlanor®)

### Goals:

- Restrict use of ivabradine to populations in which the drug has demonstrated efficacy.
- Encourage use of ACE-inhibitors or angiotensin II receptor blockers (ARBs) with demonstrated evidence of mortality reduction in heart failure with reduced ejection fraction.
- Encourage use of with demonstrated evidence of mortality reduction in heart failure with reduced ejection fraction.

### Length of Authorization:

- 6 to 12 months

### Requires PA:

- Ivabradine (Corlanor®)

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. Is this a request for continuation of therapy previously approved by the FFS program (patient already on ivabradine)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to <b>Renewal Criteria</b>	<b>No:</b> Go to #2
2. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
3. Does the patient have current documentation of New York Heart Association Class II or III heart failure with reduced ejection fraction less than or equal to 35% (LVEF ≤ 35%)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
4. Is the patient in normal sinus rhythm with a resting heart rate of 70 beats per minute or greater (≥70 BPM)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
5. Has the patient had a previous hospitalization for heart failure in the past 12 months?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #6	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.

## Approval Criteria

<p>6. Is the patient currently on a maximally tolerated dose of carvedilol, sustained-release metoprolol succinate, or bisoprolol; and if not, is there a documented intolerance or contraindication to each of these beta-blockers?</p> <p><i>Note: the above listed beta-blockers have evidence for mortality reduction in chronic heart failure at these target doses and are recommended by national and international heart failure guidelines.<sup>1,2</sup> Carvedilol and metoprolol succinate are preferred agents on the PDL.</i></p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #7</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
<p>7. Is the patient currently on a maximally tolerated dose of an ACE-inhibitor or an ARB; and if not, is there a documented intolerance or contraindication to both ACE-inhibitors and ARBs?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to # 8</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
<p>8. Is the patient currently on an aldosterone antagonist; and if not, is there a documented intolerance or contraindication to therapy (CrCl &lt; 30 ml/min or potassium ≥ 5.0 mEq/L)?</p> <p><i>Note: Aldosterone receptor antagonists (spironolactone or eplerenone) are recommended in patients with NYHA class II–IV HF and who have LVEF of 35% or less, unless contraindicated, to reduce morbidity and mortality. Patients with NYHA class II HF should have a history of prior hospitalization or elevated plasma natriuretic peptide levels to be considered for aldosterone receptor antagonists.</i></p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 6 months</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>

## Renewal Criteria

<p>1. Is the patient in normal sinus rhythm with no documented history of atrial fibrillation since ivabradine was initiated?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
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P&T / DUR Review: 11/15 (AG)  
Implementation: 8/16, 1/1/16

## Long-acting Beta-agonists (LABA)

### **Goals:**

- To optimize the safe and effective use of LABA therapy in patients with asthma and COPD.
- Step-therapy required prior to coverage of non-preferred LABA products:
  - Asthma: inhaled corticosteroid and short-acting beta-agonist.
  - COPD: inhaled short-acting bronchodilator.

### **Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 12 months

### **Requires PA:**

- Non-preferred LABA products

### **Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 Code	
2. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?  <u>Message:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preferred products are reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Oregon Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&amp;T) Committee.</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
3. Does the patient have a diagnosis of asthma or reactive airway disease?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #6	<b>No:</b> Go to #4

## Approval Criteria

<p>4. Does the patient have a diagnosis of COPD, mucopurulent chronic bronchitis and/or emphysema?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #5</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p> <p>Need a supporting diagnosis. If prescriber believes diagnosis is appropriate, inform prescriber of the appeals process for Medical Director Review. Chronic bronchitis is unfunded</p>
<p>5. Does the patient have an active prescription for an on-demand short-acting bronchodilator (anticholinergic or beta-agonist)?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>
<p>6. Does the patient have an active prescription for an on-demand short-acting beta-agonist (SABA) or an alternative rescue medication for acute asthma exacerbations?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #7</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
<p>7. Does the patient have an active prescription for an inhaled corticosteroid (ICS) or an alternative asthma controller medication?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>

P&T/DUR Review: 5/19 (KS); 1/18; 9/16; 9/15); 5/12; 9/09; 5/09  
 Implementation: 3/1/18; 10/9/15; 8/12; 1/10

## Long-acting Beta-agonist/Corticosteroid Combination (LABA/ICS)

### **Goals:**

- To optimize the safe and effective use of LABA/ICS therapy in patients with asthma and COPD.
- Step-therapy required prior to coverage:
  - Asthma: short-acting beta-agonist and inhaled corticosteroid or moderate to severe persistent asthma.
  - COPD: short-acting bronchodilator and previous trial of a long-acting bronchodilator (inhaled anticholinergic or beta-agonist). Preferred LABA/ICS products do NOT require prior authorization.

### **Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 12 months

### **Requires PA:**

- Non-preferred LABA/ICS products

### **Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 Code	
2. Will the provider consider a change to a preferred product?  <u>Message:</u> Preferred products are reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Oregon Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&T) Committee.	<b>Yes:</b> Inform provider of covered alternatives in class	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
3. Does the patient have a diagnosis of asthma or reactive airway disease?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #7	<b>No:</b> Go to #4

## Approval Criteria

<p>4. Does the patient have a diagnosis of COPD, mucopurulent chronic bronchitis and/or emphysema?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #5</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p> <p>Need a supporting diagnosis. If prescriber believes diagnosis is appropriate, inform prescriber of the appeals process for Medical Director Review. Chronic bronchitis is unfunded.</p>
<p>5. Does the patient have an active prescription for an on-demand short-acting bronchodilator (anticholinergic or beta-agonist)?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #6</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>
<p>6. Is there a documented trial of an inhaled long-acting bronchodilator (anticholinergic or beta-agonist)?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months. Stop coverage of all other LABA and ICS inhalers.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>
<p>7. Does the patient have an active prescription for an on-demand short-acting beta-agonist (SABA) or an alternative rescue medication for acute asthma exacerbations?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #8</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
<p>8. Is there a documented trial of an inhaled corticosteroid (ICS) or does the patient have moderate or severe persistent asthma?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months. Stop coverage of all other ICS and LABA inhalers.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>

P&T/DUR Review: 5/19 (KS); 1/18; 9/16; 11/15; 9/15; 11/14; 11/13; 5/12; 9/09; 2/06  
 Implementation: 3/1/18; 10/13/16; 1/1/16; 1/15; 1/14; 9/12; 1/10

## Long-acting Muscarinic Antagonist/Long-acting Beta-agonist (LAMA/LABA) and LAMA/LABA/Inhaled Corticosteroid (LAMA/LABA/ICS) Combinations

### Goals:

- To optimize the safe and effective use of LAMA/LABA/ICS therapy in patients with COPD.
- Step-therapy required prior to coverage:
  - COPD: short-acting bronchodilator and previous trial of a long-acting bronchodilator (inhaled anticholinergic or beta-agonist). Preferred LAMA and LABA products do NOT require prior authorization.

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 12 months

### Requires PA:

- All LAMA/LABA and LAMA/LABA/ICS products

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 Code	
2. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?  <u>Message:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preferred products are reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Oregon Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&amp;T) Committee.</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of preferred LAMA and LABA products in each class	<b>No:</b> Go to #3

## Approval Criteria

<p>3. Does the patient have a diagnosis of asthma or reactive airway disease without COPD?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p> <p>Need a supporting diagnosis. If prescriber believes diagnosis is appropriate, inform prescriber of the appeals process for Medical Director Review.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #4</p>
<p>4. Does the patient have a diagnosis of COPD, mucopurulent chronic bronchitis and/or emphysema?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #5</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p> <p>Need a supporting diagnosis. If prescriber believes diagnosis is appropriate, inform prescriber of the appeals process for Medical Director Review. Chronic bronchitis is unfunded.</p>
<p>5. Does the patient have an active prescription for an on-demand short-acting bronchodilator (anticholinergic or beta-agonist)?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #6</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>
<p>6. Is the request for a LAMA/LABA combination product?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #7</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #8</p>
<p>7. Is there a documented trial of a LAMA or LABA, or alternatively a trial of a fixed dose combination short-acting anticholinergic with beta-agonist (SAMA/SABA) (i.e., ipratropium/albuterol), or <math>\geq 2</math> moderate exacerbations or <math>\geq 1</math> leading to a hospitalization?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months. Stop coverage of all other LAMA and LABA inhalers or scheduled SAMA/SABA inhalers (PRN SABA or SAMA permitted).</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>

## Approval Criteria

8. Is the request for a 3 drug ICS/LABA/LAMA combination product and is there a documented trial of a LAMA and LABA, or ICS and LABA or ICS and LAMA?

**Yes:** Approve for up to 12 months. Stop coverage of all other LAMA, LABA and ICS inhalers.

**No:** Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.

*P&T Review:* 5/19 (KS); 1/18; 9/16; 11/15; 9/15; 11/14; 11/13; 5/12; 9/09; 2/06  
*Implementation:* 3/1/18; 10/13/16; 1/1/16; 1/15; 1/14; 9/12; 1/10

## Lidocaine Patch

### Goal(s):

- Provide coverage only for funded diagnoses that are supported by the medical literature.

### Length of Authorization:

- 90 days to 12 months (criteria specific)

### Requires PA:

- Lidocaine Patch

### Covered Alternatives

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Is the diagnosis an OHP-funded diagnosis with evidence supporting its use in that condition (refer to Table 1 for examples).	<b>Yes:</b> Go to # 3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP
3. Is this a request for renewal of a previously approved prior authorization for lidocaine patch?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to <b>Renewal Criteria</b>	<b>No:</b> Go to # 4
4. Is the prescription for Lidoderm patch greater than 3 patches/day?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness	<b>No:</b> Approve for 90 days
Renewal Criteria		
1. Does the patient have documented improvement from lidocaine patch?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny for medical appropriateness.

**Table 1. OHP Funded Diagnosis and Evidence Supports Drug Use in Specific Indication**

Condition	Lidocaine Patch
Funded	
Diabetic Neuropathy	X
Postherpetic Neuropathy	X
Painful	X

Polyneuropathy	
Spinal Cord Injury Pain	
Chemotherapy Induced Neuropathy	
Non-funded	
Fibromyalgia	

*P&T Review:* 7/18 (DM); 3/17  
*Implementation:* 4/1/17

# Lofexidine

**Goal(s):**

- Encourage use of substance use disorder medications on the Preferred Drug List.
- Restrict use of lofexidine under this PA to ensure medically appropriate use of lofexidine based on FDA-approved indications.

**Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 14 days

**Requires PA:**

- Lofexidine 0.18mg tablets

**Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is this an FDA approved indication? (Mitigation of opioid withdrawal symptoms to facilitate abrupt opioid discontinuation in adults)	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
3. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?  Message: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preferred products do not require a PA. Preferred products are evidence-based reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Oregon Pharmacy &amp; Therapeutics Committee.</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class.	<b>No:</b> Approve for up to 14 days of total therapy.  Note: FDA approved indication is for up to 14 days of therapy AND Notify prescriber concomitant naloxone is recommended if not present in claims history.

*P&T/DUR Review: 1/19 (DM)  
Implementation: 3/1/19*

## Low Dose Quetiapine

### **Goal(s):**

- To promote and ensure use of quetiapine that is supported by the medical literature.
- To discourage off-label use for insomnia.
- Promote the use of non-pharmacologic alternatives for chronic insomnia.

### **Initiative:**

- Low dose quetiapine (Seroquel® and Seroquel XR®)

### **Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 12 months (criteria-specific)

### **Requires PA:**

- Quetiapine (HSN = 14015) doses  $\leq$ 50 mg/day
- Auto PA approvals for :
  - Patients with a claim for a second generation antipsychotic in the last 6 months
  - Patients with prior claims evidence of schizophrenia or bipolar disorder
  - Prescriptions identified as being written by a mental health provider

### **Covered Alternatives:**

- Preferred alternatives listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)
- Zolpidem is available for short-term use (15 doses/30 days) without PA.

**Table 1. Adult (age  $\geq$ 18 years) FDA-approved Indications for Quetiapine**

Bipolar Disorder	F3010; F302; F3160-F3164; F3177-3178; F319	
Major Depressive Disorder	F314-315; F322-323; F329; F332-333; F339	Adjunctive therapy with antidepressants for Major Depressive Disorder
Schizophrenia	F205; F209; F2081; F2089	
Bipolar Mania	F3010; F339; F3110-F3113; F312	
Bipolar Depression	F3130	

**Table 2. Pediatric FDA-approved indications**

Schizophrenia	Adolescents (13-17 years)	
Bipolar Mania	Children and Adolescents (10 to 17 years)	Monotherapy

### Approval Criteria

1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code. Do not proceed and deny if diagnosis is not listed in Table 1 or Table 2 above (medical appropriateness)
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## Approval Criteria

<p>2. Is the prescription for quetiapine less than or equal to 50 mg/day? (verify days' supply is accurate)</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #3</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Trouble-shoot claim processing with the pharmacy.</p>
<p>3. Is planned duration of therapy longer than 90 days?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #4</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Approve for titration up to maintenance dose (60 days).</p>
<p>4. Is reason for dose <math>\leq</math>50 mg/day due to any of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• low dose needed due to debilitation from a medical condition or age;</li> <li>• unable to tolerate higher doses;</li> <li>• stable on current dose; or</li> <li>• impaired drug clearance?</li> <li>• any diagnosis in table 1 or 2 above?</li> </ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny for medical appropriateness.</p> <p>Note: may approve up to 6 months to allow taper.</p>

P&T/DUR Review: 3/19 (DM); 9/18; 11/17; 9/15; 9/10; 5/10  
 Implementation: 1/1/18; 10/15; 1/1/11

## Milnacipran

### Goal(s):

- Provide coverage only for funded diagnoses that are supported by the medical literature.

### Length of Authorization:

- 90 days

### Requires PA:

- Milnacipran

### Covered Alternatives

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

### Approval Criteria

1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Is the diagnosis an OHP-funded diagnosis with evidence supporting its use in that condition (see Table 1 below for examples)?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 90 days	<b>No:</b> Go to #3. Pass to RPh.
3. Pass to RPh. The prescriber must provide documentation of therapeutic failure, adverse event, or contraindication alternative drugs approved by FDA for the funded condition. The prescriber must provide medical literature supporting use for the funded condition. RPh may use clinical judgement to approve drug for up to 6 months or deny request based on documentation provided by prescriber.		

**Table 1. OHP Funded or Non-Funded Diagnosis and Evidence Supports Drug Use in Specific Indication**

Condition	Milnacipran
Funded	
Diabetic Neuropathy	
Postherpetic Neuropathy	
Painful Polyneuropathy	
Spinal Cord Injury Pain	
Chemotherapy Induced Neuropathy	
Non-funded	
Fibromyalgia	X

P&T Review: 7/18 (DM); 3/17

Implementation: 4/1/17

## Mipomersen and Lomitapide

### Goal(s):

- To ensure appropriate drug use and limit to patient populations in which mipomersen or lomitapide has been shown to be effective and safe.

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 6 months

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

### Approval Criteria

1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is the drug prescribed by or in consultation with a specialist in lipid disorders?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
3. Is the diagnosis homozygous familial hypercholesterolemia?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
4. Has the patient tried and failed or does the patient have a medical contraindication to maximum lipid lowering therapy with a combination of traditional drugs (high-intensity statin with ezetimibe (see Table 1)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
5. Has the patient failed or are they not appropriate for LDL-C apheresis; <b>OR</b> is LDL-C apheresis not available?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

**Table 1. High-intensity Statins.**

<b>High-intensity Statins</b>	
(≥50% LDL-C Reduction)	
Atorvastatin 40-80 mg	Rosuvastatin 20-40 mg

Ref. Stone NJ, et al. 2013 ACC/AHA Blood Cholesterol Guideline.

*P&T/DUR Review:* 11/16 (DM); 5/16; 9/13; 7/13; 5/13  
*Implementation:* 1/1/17; 1/1/14; 11/21/2013

## Modafinil / Armodafinil (Sleep-Wake Medications)

### **Goal(s):**

- Limit use to diagnoses where there is sufficient evidence of benefit and uses that are funded by OHP. Excessive daytime sleepiness related to shift-work is not funded by OHP.
- Limit use to safe doses.

### **Length of Authorization:**

- Initial approval of 90 days if criteria met; approval of up to 12 months with documented benefit OR doses above those in Table 2.

### **Requires PA:**

- Payment for drug claims for modafinil or armodafinil without previous claims evidence of narcolepsy or obstructive sleep apnea

### **Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

**Table 1. Funded Indications.**

Indication	Modafinil (Provigil™)	Armodafinil (Nuvigil™)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Excessive daytime sleepiness in narcolepsy</li> <li>• Residual excessive daytime sleepiness in obstructive sleep apnea patients treated with CPAP.</li> </ul>	FDA approved for Adults 18 and older	FDA approved for Adults 18 and older
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Depression augmentation (unipolar or bipolar I or II acute or maintenance phase)</li> <li>• Cancer-related fatigue</li> <li>• Multiple sclerosis-related fatigue</li> </ul>	Not FDA approved; Low level evidence of inconsistent benefit	Not FDA approved; insufficient evidence
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drug-related fatigue</li> <li>• Excessive daytime sleepiness or fatigue related to other neurological disorders (e.g. Parkinson's Disease, traumatic brain injury, post-polio syndrome)</li> <li>• ADHD</li> <li>• Cognition enhancement for any condition</li> </ul>	Not FDA approved; insufficient evidence	Not FDA approved; insufficient evidence

**Table 2. Maximum Recommended Dose (consistent evidence of benefit with lower doses).**

Generic Name	Minimum Age	Maximum FDA-Approved Daily Dose
armodafinil	18 years	250 mg
modafinil	18 years	200 mg

## Approval Criteria

1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is the patient 18 years of age or older?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness. Providers for patients 7 to 17 years of age may also submit a request for sodium oxybate as it is FDA-approved for narcolepsy in this age group.
3. Is this a funded diagnosis? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> <li>• Non-funded diagnoses:</li> <li>• Shift work disorder (ICD10 G4720-4729; G4750-4769; G478)</li> <li>• Unspecified hypersomnia (ICD10 G4710)</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by OHP
4. Is the drug prescribed by or in consultation with an appropriate specialist for the condition (e.g., sleep specialist, neurologist, or pulmonologist)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
5. Will prescriber consider a preferred alternative? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of preferred alternatives (e.g., preferred methylphenidate)	<b>No:</b> Go to #6
6. Is the request for continuation of therapy at maintenance dosage previously approved by the FFS program?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to Renewal Criteria	<b>No:</b> Go to #7
7. Is the prescribed daily dose higher than recommended in Table 2?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.	<b>No:</b> Go to #8
8. Is the request for treatment of narcolepsy?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 90 days and inform prescriber further approval will require documented evidence of clinical benefit.	<b>No:</b> Go to #9

Approval Criteria		
9. Is the request for treatment of obstructive sleep apnea (OSA) (without narcolepsy) and is the patient compliant with recommended first-line treatments (e.g., CPAP)?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 90 days and inform prescriber further approval will require documented evidence of clinical benefit.	<b>No:</b> Go to #10
10. Is the request for armodafinil?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.  There is insufficient evidence for off-label use.	<b>No:</b> Go to #11
11. Is the primary diagnostic indication for modafinil fatigue secondary to major depression (MDD), MS or cancer-related fatigue?  Note: Methylphenidate is recommended first-line for cancer.	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of first-line options available without PA.  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>May approve for 90 days and inform prescriber further approval will require documented evidence of clinical benefit and assessment of adverse effects.</li> </ul>	<b>No:</b> Go to #12
12. All other diagnoses must be evaluated as to the OHP-funding level and evidence for clinical benefit. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Evidence supporting treatment for excessive daytime sleepiness (EDS) or fatigue as a result of other conditions is currently insufficient and should be denied for “medical appropriateness”.</li> <li>Evidence to support cognition enhancement is insufficient and should be denied for “medical appropriateness”.</li> <li>If new evidence is provided by the prescriber, please forward request to Oregon DMAP for consideration and potential modification of current PA criteria.</li> </ul>		

Renewal Criteria		
1. Is the request for treatment of obstructive sleep apnea?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #2	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
2. Is the patient adherent to primary OSA treatment (e.g., CPAP) based on chart notes?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

## Renewal Criteria

3. Is there documentation of clinical benefit and tolerability from baseline?

The same clinical measure used to diagnose excessive daytime sleepiness (EDS), fatigue secondary to MS and/or cancer, major depressive disorder (MDD) is recommended to document clinical benefit.

**Yes:** Approve for up to 12 months

**No:** Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

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*P&T Review:* 7/19; 03/16; 09/15  
*Implementation:* 8/19/19; 8/16, 1/1/16

## Monoclonal Antibodies for Severe Asthma

### Goal(s):

- Restrict use of monoclonal antibodies to patients with severe asthma requiring chronic systemic corticosteroid use or with history of
- asthma exacerbations in the past year that required an Emergency Department visit or hospitalization. Restrict use for conditions not
- funded by the OHP (e.g., chronic urticaria).

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 12 months

### Requires PA:

- Omalizumab
- Mepolizumab
- Reslizumab
- Benralizumab
- This PA does not apply to dupilumab, which is subject to separate clinical PA criteria.

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Table 1. Maximum Adult Doses for Inhaled Corticosteroids.

High Dose Corticosteroids:	Maximum Dose
Qvar (beclomethasone)	320 mcg BID
Pulmicort Flexhaler (budesonide)	720 mcg BID
Alvesco (ciclesonide)	320 mcg BID
Aerospan (flunisolide)	320 mcg BID
Arnuity Ellipta (fluticasone furoate)	200 mcg daily
Flovent HFA (fluticasone propionate)	880 mcg BID
Flovent Diskus (fluticasone propionate)	1000 mcg BID
Asmanex Twisthaler (mometasone)	440 mcg BID
Asmanex HFA (mometasone)	400 mcg BID
High Dose Corticosteroid / Long-acting Beta-agonists	Maximum Dose
Symbicort (budesonide/formoterol)	320/9 mcg BID
Advair Diskus (fluticasone/salmeterol)	500/50 mcg BID
Advair HFA (fluticasone/salmeterol)	460/42 mcg BID
Breo Ellipta (fluticasone/vilanterol)	200/25 mcg daily
Dulera (mometasone/formoterol)	400/10 mcg BID

### Approval Criteria

1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is the request for continuation of therapy previously approved by the FFS program?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to <b>Renewal Criteria</b>	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
3. Is the request for omalizumab, mepolizumab, reslizumab, or benralizumab?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Go to #4

## Approval Criteria

4. Is the request for a newly approved monoclonal antibody for severe asthma and does the indication match the FDA-approved indication?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #9	<b>No:</b> Go to #5
5. Is the claim for reslizumab in a patient under 18 years of age?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.	<b>No:</b> Go to #6
6. Is the claim for mepolizumab or benralizumab in a patient under 12 years of age?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness	<b>No:</b> Go to #7
7. Is the claim for omalizumab in a patient under 6 years of age?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness	<b>No:</b> Go to #8
8. Is the claim for mepolizumab in an adult patient diagnosed with eosinophilic granulomatosis with polyangiitis (EGPA) for at least 6 months that is refractory to at least 4 weeks of oral corticosteroid therapy (equivalent to oral prednisone or prednisolone 7.5 to 50 mg per day)?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve 300 mg (3 x 100mg syringes) every 4 weeks x 1 year	<b>No:</b> Go to #9
9. Does the patient have a concurrent prescription for EpiPen® or equivalent so they are prepared to manage delayed anaphylaxis if it occurs after monoclonal antibody therapy?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #10	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
10. Is the diagnosis an OHP-funded diagnosis? <u>Note:</u> chronic urticaria is not an OHP-funded condition	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #11	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.
11. Is the prescriber a pulmonologist or an allergist who specializes in management of severe asthma?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #12	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.

## Approval Criteria

<p>12. Has the patient required at least 1 hospitalization or <math>\geq 2</math> ED visits in the past 12 months while receiving a maximally-dosed inhaled corticosteroid (Table 1) AND 2 additional controller drugs (i.e., long-acting inhaled beta-agonist, montelukast, zafirlukast, theophylline)?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #13</p> <p>Document number of hospitalizations or ED visits in past 12 months: _____. This is the baseline value to compare to in renewal criteria.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>
<p>13. Has the patient been adherent to current asthma therapy in the past 12 months?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #14</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>
<p>14. Is the patient currently receiving another monoclonal antibody for asthma (e.g., omalizumab, mepolizumab, benralizumab or reslizumab)?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #15</p>
<p>15. If the claim is for omalizumab, can the prescriber provide documentation of allergic IgE-mediated asthma diagnosis, confirmed by a positive skin test or in vitro reactivity to perennial allergen?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve once every 2-4 weeks for up to 12 months.</p> <p>Document test and result:_____</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #16</p>
<p>16. If the claim is for mepolizumab, benralizumab or reslizumab, can the prescriber provide documentation of severe eosinophilic asthma, confirmed by blood eosinophil count <math>\geq 300</math> cells/<math>\mu</math>L in the past 12 months?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve once every 4 to 8 weeks for up to 12 months.</p> <p>Note: Initial benralizumab dose is 30 mg every 4 weeks x 3 doses followed by 30 mg every 8 weeks</p> <p>Document eosinophil count (date):_____</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>

## Renewal Criteria

1. Is the request to renew mepolizumab for EGPA?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #2	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
2. Have the patient's symptoms improved with mepolizumab therapy?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 12 months	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
3. Is the patient currently taking an inhaled corticosteroid and 2 additional controller drugs (i.e., long-acting inhaled beta-agonist, montelukast, zafirlukast, theophylline)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
4. Has the number of ED visits or hospitalizations in the last 12 months been reduced from baseline, or has the patient reduced their systemic corticosteroid dose by $\geq 50\%$ compared to baseline?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.

P&T Review: 7/19 (DM); 7/18; 7/16  
 Implementation: 8/19/19, 8/15/18, 8/16

## Oral Multiple Sclerosis Drugs

**Goal(s):**

- Promote safe and effective use of oral disease-modifying multiple sclerosis drugs
- Promote use of preferred multiple sclerosis drugs.

**Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 6 months

**Requires PA:**

- Fingolimod
- Teriflunomide
- Dimethyl Fumarate

**Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Does the patient have a diagnosis of relapsing remitting multiple sclerosis?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.
3. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?  <u>Message:</u> Preferred products are reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee and do not require PA.	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class.	<b>No:</b> Go to #4
4. Is the medication being prescribed by or in consultation with a neurologist?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
5. Is the patient on concurrent treatment with a disease modifying drug (i.e. interferon beta 1B, glatiramer acetate, interferon beta 1A, natalizumab, mitoxantrone)?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.	<b>No:</b> Go to #6
6. Is the prescription for teriflunomide?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #7	<b>No:</b> Go to #9
7. Is the patient of childbearing potential?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #8	<b>No:</b> Approve for up to 6 months.

<b>Approval Criteria</b>		
8. Is the patient currently on a documented use of reliable contraception and is there documentation of a negative pregnancy test prior to initiation of teriflunomide?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 6 months.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
9. Is the prescription fingolimod?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #10	<b>No:</b> Go to #13
10. Does the patient have evidence of macular edema?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.	<b>No:</b> Go to #11
11. Does the patient have preexisting cardiac disease, risk factors for bradycardia, or is on anti-arrhythmic, beta-blockers, or calcium channel blockers?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #12	<b>No:</b> Approve up to 6 months.
12. Has the patient had a cardiology consultation before initiation (see clinical notes)?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve up to 6 months.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
13. Is the prescription for dimethyl fumarate?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to # 14	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
14. Does patient have a baseline CBC with lymphocyte count greater than 500/ $\mu$ L?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 6 months.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.

#### **Fingolimod Clinical Notes:**

- Because of bradycardia and atrioventricular conduction, patients must be observed for 6 hours after initial dose in a clinically appropriate area.
- Patients on antiarrhythmics, beta-blockers or calcium channel blockers or with risk factors for bradycardia (h/o MI, age >70 yrs., electrolyte disorder, hypothyroidism) may be more prone to development of symptomatic bradycardia and should be initiated on fingolimod with caution. A cardiology evaluation should be performed before considering treatment.
- Injectable disease modifying treatments remain first-line agents in MS therapy.
- An ophthalmology evaluation should be repeated 3-4 months after fingolimod initiation with subsequent evaluations based on clinical symptoms.

#### **Teriflunomide Clinical Notes:**

- Before starting teriflunomide, screen patients for latent tuberculosis infection with a TB skin test, exclude pregnancy, confirm use of reliable contraception in women of childbearing potential, check blood pressure, and obtain a complete blood cell count within the 6 months prior to starting therapy. Instruct patients to report symptoms of infection and obtain serum transaminase and bilirubin levels within the 6 months prior to starting therapy.
- After starting teriflunomide, monitor ALT levels at least monthly for 6 months. Consider additional ALT monitoring when teriflunomide is given with other potentially hepatotoxic drugs. Consider stopping teriflunomide if serum transaminase levels increase (>3-times the ULN). Monitor serum transaminase and bilirubin particularly in patients who develop symptoms suggestive of hepatic dysfunction. Discontinue teriflunomide and start accelerated elimination in those with suspected teriflunomide-induced liver injury and monitor liver tests weekly until normalized. Check blood pressure periodically and manage hypertension. Check serum potassium level in teriflunomide-treated patients with hyperkalemia symptoms or acute renal failure. Monitor for signs and symptoms of infection.

- Monitor for hematologic toxicity when switching from teriflunomide to another agent with a known potential for hematologic suppression because systemic exposure to both agents will overlap.

**Dimethyl Fumarate Clinical Notes:**

- Dimethyl fumarate may decrease a patient's white blood cell count. In the clinical trials the mean lymphocyte counts decreased by approximately 30% during the first year of treatment with dimethyl fumarate and then remained stable. The incidence of infections (60% vs. 58%) and serious infections (2% vs. 2%) was similar in patients treated with dimethyl fumarate or placebo, respectively. There was no increased incidence of serious infections observed in patients with lymphocyte counts  $<0.8 \times 10^3$  cells/mm<sup>3</sup>. A transient increase in mean eosinophil counts was seen during the first 2 months of therapy.
- Dimethyl fumarate should be held if the WBC falls below  $2 \times 10^3$  cells/mm<sup>3</sup> or the lymphocyte count is below  $0.5 \times 10^3$  cells/mm<sup>3</sup> and permanently discontinued if the WBC did not increase to over  $2 \times 10^3$  cells/mm<sup>3</sup> or lymphocyte count increased to over  $0.5 \times 10^3$  cells/mm<sup>3</sup> after 4 weeks of withholding therapy.
- Patients should have a CBC with differential monitored on a quarterly basis

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*P&T/DUR Review:* 11/17 (DM); 11/16; 9/15; 9/13; 5/13; 3/12  
*Implementation:* 1/1/18; 1/1/17; 1/1/14; 6/21/2012

## Multivitamins

### Goals:

- Restrict use for documented nutritional deficiency or diagnosis associated with nutritional deficiency (e.g., Cystic Fibrosis)
- Prenatal and pediatric multivitamins are not subject to this policy.

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 12 months

### Requires PA:

- All multivitamins in HIC3 = C6B, C6G, C6H, C6I, C6Z

### Covered Alternatives:

- Upon PA approval, only vitamins generically equivalent to those listed below will be covered:

GSN	Generic Name	Example Brand
002532	MULTIVITAMIN	DAILY VITE OR TAB-A-VITE
039744	MULTIVITS, TH W-FE, OTHER MIN	THEREMS-M
002523	MULTIVITAMINS, THERAPEUTIC	THEREMS
064732	MULTIVITAMIN/ IRON/ FOLIC ACID	CEROVITE ADVANCED FORMULA
048094	MULTIVITAMIN W-MINERALS/ LUTEIN	CEROVITE SENIOR
002064	VITAMIN B COMPLEX	VITAMIN B COMPLEX
058801	MULTIVITS-MIN/ FA/ LYCOPENE/ LUT	CERTAVITE SENIOR-ANTIOXIDANT
047608	FOLIC ACID/ VITAMIN B COMP W-C	NEPHRO-VITE
022707	BETA-CAROTENE (A) W-C & E/MIN	PROSIGHT
061112	VIT A, C & E/ LUTEIN/ MINERALS	OCUVITE WITH LUTEIN
066980	MULTIVAMIN/ FA/ ZINC ASCORBATE	SOURCECF
067025	PEDIATRIC MULTIVIT #22/ FA/ ZINC	SOURCECF
058068	MULTIVITAMIN/ ZINC GLUCONATE	SOURCECF
068128	PEDIATRIC MULTIVIT #32/ FA/ ZINC	AKEDAMINS
061991	PEDI MULTIVIT #40/ PHYTONADIONE	AQUADEKS
066852	MULTIVITS & MINS/ FA/ COENZYME Q10	AQUADEKS
068035	MULTIVITS & MINS/ FA/ COENZYME Q10	AQUADEKS

### Approval Criteria

1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is this an OHP-funded diagnosis?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP

## Approval Criteria

3. Does the patient have a documented nutrient deficiency

**OR**

Does the patient have an increased nutritional need resulting from severe trauma (e.g., severe burn, major bone fracture, etc.)

**OR**

Does the patient have a diagnosis resulting in malabsorption (e.g., Crohn's disease, Cystic Fibrosis, bowel resection or removal, short gut syndrome, gastric bypass, renal dialysis, dysphagia, achalasia, etc.)

**OR**

Does the patient have a diagnosis that requires increased vitamin or mineral intake?

**Yes:** Approve up to 1 year

**No:** Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.

*P&T Review:* 3/16 (MH/KK); 3/14  
*Implementation:* 5/1/16, 4/1/2014

## Natalizumab (Tysabri®)

### Goal(s):

- Approve therapy for covered diagnosis which are supported by the medical literature.

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 12 months

### Requires PA:

- Natalizumab (Tysabri®)

### Covered Alternatives:

- Preferred alternatives listed at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Has the patient been screened for Jason Cunningham (JC) Virus?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPH; Deny for medical appropriateness
3. Does the patient have a diagnosis of relapsing remitting multiple sclerosis (RRMS)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Go to #6
4. Has the patient failed trials for at least 2 drugs indicated for the treatment of RRMS?	<b>Yes:</b> Document drug and dates trialed: 1. _____ (dates) 2. _____ (dates)  Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
5. Is the medication being prescribed by or in consultation with a neurologist?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 12 months	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPH; Deny for medical appropriateness.
6. Does the patient have Crohn's Disease?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #7	No: Pass to RPH; Deny for medical appropriateness.
7. Has the patient been screened for latent or active tuberculosis and if positive, started tuberculosis treatment?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #8	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPH; Deny for medical appropriateness.

## Approval Criteria

8. Has the patient failed to respond to at least one of the following conventional immunosuppressive therapies for  $\geq 6$  months:

- Mercaptopurine, azathioprine, or budesonide; or
- Have a documented intolerance or contraindication to conventional therapy?
- AND
- Has the patient tried and failed a 3 month trial of Humira?

**Yes:** Approve for up to 12 months.

Document each therapy with dates.

If applicable, document intolerance or contraindication(s).

**No:** Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.

*P&T/ DUR Action:* 11/17 (DM)

*Implementation:* 1/1/18

## New Drug Policy

**Goal:**

- Restrict coverage of selected new drugs until the Oregon Pharmacy & Therapeutics Committee can review the drug for appropriate coverage. New drug criteria will apply until drug specific criteria are developed or for a maximum of 1 year (whichever is less). This policy does not apply to new oncology drugs.

**Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 6 months

**Requires PA:**

- A new drug, identified by the reviewing pharmacist during the weekly claim processing drug file load, which is not in a PDL class with existing prior authorization criteria, costing more than \$5,000 per claim or \$5,000 per month based on wholesale acquisition cost.

### Approval Criteria

1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Is the medication FDA-approved for the requested indication and does the requested dosing align with the FDA-approved dosing?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
3. Is the drug being used to treat an OHP-funded condition?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.
4. Is baseline monitoring recommended for efficacy or safety and has the provider submitted documentation of recommended monitoring parameters?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
5. Does the requested therapy have an orphan drug designation and is this the only FDA-approved therapy for the funded condition?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 6 months or length of treatment (whichever is less).	<b>No:</b> Go to #6
6. Pass to RPh. The prescriber must provide documentation that alternative drugs approved by the FDA for the funded condition are not appropriate due to history of therapeutic failure, an adverse event, or a contraindication. Otherwise, the prescriber must provide medical literature supporting use for the funded condition. RPh may use clinical judgement to approve drug for up to 6 months or deny request based on documentation provided by prescriber.		

P&T / DUR Review: 7/18 (SS); 11/17; 11/15; 12/09  
Implementation: 8/15/18; 1/1/18; 1/1/16; 1/1/10

## Nusinersen

**Goal(s):**

- Approve nusinersen for funded OHP conditions supported by evidence of benefit (e.g. Spinal Muscular Atrophy)

**Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 8 months for initial approval and up to 12 months for renewal.

**Requires PA:**

- Nusinersen (billed as a pharmacy or physician administered claim)

**Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD-10 code. Go to #2	
2. Is this a request for continuation of therapy?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to <b>Renewal Criteria</b>	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
3. Does the patient have type 1, 2 or 3 Spinal Muscular Atrophy documented by genetic testing and at least 2 copies of the SMN2 gene?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
4. Is a baseline motor assessment available such as one of the following functional assessment tools: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hammersmith Infant Neurological Examination (HINE-2)</li> <li>• Hammersmith Functional Motor Scale (HFSME)</li> <li>• Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia Infant Test of Neuromuscular Disorders (CHOP-INTEND)</li> <li>• Upper Limb Module (ULM)</li> <li>• 6-Minute Walk Test</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.

## Approval Criteria

<p>5. Is the patient ventilator dependent (using at least 16 hours per day on at least 21 of the last 30 days)?</p> <p>Note: This assessment does not apply to patients who require ventilator assistance</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #6.</p>
<p>6. Is the drug being prescribed by a pediatric neurologist or a provider with experience treating spinal muscular atrophy?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> For initial approval, approve 5 doses over 8 months.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>

## Renewal Criteria

<p>1. Has the patient's motor function improved as demonstrated by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improvement from baseline motor function score documented within one month of renewal request AND</li> <li>More areas of motor function improved than worsened</li> </ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for 12 months</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh; Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>
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P&T Review: 7/17 (DM); 3/17  
 Implementation: 9/1/17; 5/17

## Nutritional Supplements (Oral Administration Only)

### Goals:

- Restrict use to patients unable to take food orally in sufficient quantity to maintain adequate weight.
- Requires ANNUAL nutritional assessment for continued use.
- Use restriction consistent with DMAP EP/IV rules at:  
[www.oregon.gov/OHA/HSD/OHP/Pages/Policy-Home-EPIV.aspx](http://www.oregon.gov/OHA/HSD/OHP/Pages/Policy-Home-EPIV.aspx)

These products are NOT federally rebate-able; Oregon waives the rebate requirement for this class.

### Note:

- Nutritional formulas, when administered enterally (G-tube) are no longer available through the point-of-sale system.
- Service providers should use the CMS 1500 form and mail to DMAP, P.O. Box 14955, Salem, Oregon, 97309 or the 837P electronic claim form and not bill through POS.
- When billed correctly with HCPCS codes for enterally given supplements, enterally administered nutritional formulas do not require prior authorization (PA). However, the equipment do require a PA (i.e., pump).
- Providers can be referred to 800-642-8635 or 503-945-6821 for enteral equipment PAs
- For complete information on how to file a claim, go to:  
[www.oregon.gov/OHA/HSD/OHP/Pages/Policy-Home-EPIV.aspx](http://www.oregon.gov/OHA/HSD/OHP/Pages/Policy-Home-EPIV.aspx)

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 12 months

### Note:

- Criteria is divided into:
  - 1) Patients age 6 years or older
  - 2) Patients under 6 years of age

### Not Covered:

- Supplements such as *acidophilis*, Chlorophyll, Coenzyme Q10 are not covered and should not be approved.

### Requires PA:

- All supplemental nutrition products in HIC3 = C5C, C5F, C5G, C5U, C5B (nutritional bars, liquids, packets, powders, wafers such as Ensure, Ensure Plus, Nepro, Pediasure, Promod).

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

**Patients 6 years and older:**

Document:

- Name of product being requested
- Physician name
- Quantity/Length of therapy being requested

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is product requested a supplement or herbal product without an FDA indication?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness)	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
3. Is the product to be administered by enteral tube feeding (e.g., G-tube)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #10	<b>No:</b> Go to #4
4. All indications need to be evaluated as to whether they are funded conditions under the OHP.	<b>Funded:</b> Go to #5	<b>Not Funded:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.
5. Is this request for continuation of therapy previously approved by the FFS program?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #6	<b>No:</b> Go to #7
6. Has there been an annual assessment by a physician for continued use of nutritional supplementation?  Document assessment date.	<b>Yes:</b> Approve up to 1 year	<b>No:</b> Request documentation of assessment. Without documentation, pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
7. Patient must have a nutritional deficiency identified by one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recent (within 1 year) Registered Dietician assessment indicating adequate intake is not obtainable through regular/liquefied or pureed foods (supplement cannot be approved for convenience of patient or caregiver); <b>OR</b></li> <li>• Recent serum protein level &lt;6 g/dL?</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #9	<b>No:</b> Go to #8

## Approval Criteria

<p>8. Does the patient have a prolonged history (&gt;1 year) of malnutrition and cachexia OR reside in a long-term care facility or nursing home?</p> <p>Document:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Residence</li> <li>• Current body weight</li> <li>• Ideal body weight</li> </ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #9</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Request documentation. Without documentation, pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>
<p>9. Does the patient have a recent unplanned weight loss of at least 10%, plus one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• increased metabolic need resulting from severe trauma (e.g., severe burn, major bone fracture, etc.);</li> </ul> <p><b>OR</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• malabsorption (e.g., Crohn's Disease, Cystic Fibrosis, bowel resection/removal, Short Gut Syndrome, gastric bypass, hemodialysis, dysphagia, achalasia, etc.);</li> </ul> <p><b>OR</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• diagnosis that requires additional calories and/or protein intake (e.g., malignancy, AIDS, pulmonary insufficiency, MS, ALS, Parkinson's, Cerebral Palsy, Alzheimer's, etc.)?</li> </ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 1 year</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Request documentation. Without documentation, pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>
<p>10. Is this request for continuation of therapy previously approved by the FFS program?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Yes:</b> Approve for 1 month and reply: Nutritional formulas, when administered by enteral tube, are no longer available through the point-of-sale (POS) system. For future use, service providers should use the CMS form 1500 or the 837P electronic claim form and not bill through POS. A 1-month approval has been given to accommodate the transition.</li> </ul> <p>Go to: <a href="http://www.oregon.gov/OHA/HSD/OHP/Pages/Policy-Home-EPIV.aspx">www.oregon.gov/OHA/HSD/OHP/Pages/Policy-Home-EPIV.aspx</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>No:</b> Enter an Informational PA and reply: Nutritional formulas, when administered by enteral tube, are no longer available through the point-of-sale (POS) system. For future use, service providers should use the CMS form 1500 or the 837P electronic claim form and not bill through POS. When billed using a HCPCS code, enterally administered nutritional formulas do not require a prior authorization (PA). However, the equipment does require a PA. Providers can be referred to 800-642-8635 or 503-945-6821 for enteral equipment PAs.</li> </ul> <p>For complete information of how to file a claim, go to:  <a href="http://www.oregon.gov/OHA/HSD/OHP/Pages/Policy-Home-EPIV.aspx">www.oregon.gov/OHA/HSD/OHP/Pages/Policy-Home-EPIV.aspx</a></p>		

## Patients under 6 years of age

### Document:

- Name of product requested
- Physician name
- Quantity/Length of therapy requested

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record the ICD10 code	
2. Is the product to be administered by enteral tube feeding (e.g., G-tube)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #9	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
3. All indications need to be evaluated as to whether they are funded conditions under the OHP.	<b>Funded:</b> Go to #4	<b>Not Funded:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.
4. Is this request for continuation of therapy previously approved by the FFS program?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Go to #6
5. Has there been an annual assessment by a physician for continued use of nutritional supplementation?  Document assessment date.	<b>Yes:</b> Approve up to 1 year	<b>No:</b> Request documentation. Without documentation, pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
6. Is the diagnosis failure-to-thrive (FTT)?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 1 year	<b>No:</b> Go to #7
7. Does the patient have one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• increased metabolic need resulting from severe trauma (e.g., severe burn, major bone fracture, etc.);</li> </ul> <b>OR</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• malabsorption (e.g., Crohn's Disease, Cystic Fibrosis, bowel resection/removal, Short Gut Syndrome, hemodialysis, dysphagia, achalasia, etc.);</li> </ul> <b>OR</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• diagnosis that requires additional calories and/or protein intake (e.g., malignancy, AIDS, pulmonary insufficiency, Cerebral Palsy, etc.)?           </li></ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 1 year	<b>No:</b> Go to #8

<p>8. Patient must have a nutritional deficiency identified by one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recent (within 1 year) Registered Dietician assessment indicating adequate intake is not obtainable through regular/liquefied or pureed foods (supplement cannot be approved for convenience of patient or caregiver);</li> <li><b>OR</b></li> <li>Recent serum protein level &lt;6 g/dL?</li> </ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 1 year</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Request documentation. Without documentation, pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>
<p>9. Is this request for continuation of therapy previously approved by the FFS program?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Yes:</b> Approve for 1 month and reply: Nutritional formulas, when administered by enteral tube, are no longer available through the point-of-sale (POS) system. For future use, service providers should use the CMS form 1500 or the 837P electronic claim form and not bill through POS. A 1-month approval has been given to accommodate the transition.</li> </ul> <p>Go to: <a href="http://www.oregon.gov/OHA/HSD/OHP/Pages/Policy-Home-EPIV.aspx">www.oregon.gov/OHA/HSD/OHP/Pages/Policy-Home-EPIV.aspx</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>No:</b> Enter an Informational PA and reply: Nutritional formulas, when administered by enteral tube, are no longer available through the point-of-sale (POS) system. For future use, service providers should use the CMS form 1500 or the 837P electronic claim form and not bill through POS. When billed using a HCPCS code, enterally administered nutritional formulas do not require a prior authorization (PA). However, the equipment does require a PA. Providers can be referred to 800-642-8635 or 503-945-6821 for enteral equipment PAs.</li> </ul> <p>For complete information of how to file a claim, go to: <a href="http://www.oregon.gov/OHA/HSD/OHP/Pages/Policy-Home-EPIV.aspx">www.oregon.gov/OHA/HSD/OHP/Pages/Policy-Home-EPIV.aspx</a></p>		

**Note: Normal Serum Protein 6-8 g/dL**  
**Normal albumin range 3.5-5.5 g/dL**

P&T Review: 11/14  
Implementation: 10/13/16; 1/11/15; 6/22/07; 9/1/06; 4/1/03

## Obeticholic Acid (Ocaliva®)

### Goal(s):

- Encourage use of ursodiol or ursodeoxycholic acid which has demonstrated decrease disease progression and increase time to transplantation.
- Restrict use to populations for which obeticholic acid has demonstrated efficacy.

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 12 months

### Requires PA:

- Obeticholic acid

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

### Approval Criteria

1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Is this request for continuation of therapy previously approved by the FFS program (patient has already been on obeticholic acid)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to Renewal Criteria	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
3. Is the treatment for primary biliary cholangitis or cirrhosis (PBC)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
4. Does the patient have no evidence of complications from cirrhosis or hepatic decompensation (e.g., MELD score less than 15; not awaiting transplant; no portal hypertension; or no hepatorenal syndrome)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
5. Is the total bilirubin level less than 2-times the upper limit of normal (ULN)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #6	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
6. Does patient have a documented intolerance or contraindication to ursodiol?	<b>Yes:</b> Document symptoms of intolerance or contraindication and approve for up to 12 months	<b>No:</b> Go to #7

## Approval Criteria

7. Has patient had a 12-month trial of ursodiol with inadequate response to therapy (ALP $\geq$ 1.67-times the ULN or total bilirubin greater than the ULN)?	<b>Yes:</b> Document baseline ALP and total bilirubin level and approve for up to 12 months  ALP: _____ units/L Total Bilirubin _____ mg/dL	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
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## Renewal Criteria

1. Is there evidence of improvement of primary biliary cholangitis, defined as: a. ALP <1.67-times the ULN; AND b. Decrease of ALP >15% from baseline: AND c. Normal total bilirubin level?	<b>Yes:</b> Document ALP and total bilirubin level and approve for up to 12 months  ALP: _____ units/L Total Bilirubin _____ mg/dL	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
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P&T / DUR Review: 01/17 (SS)  
Implementation: 4/1/17

## Ocular Vascular Endothelial Growth Factors

### Goal(s):

- Promote use of preferred drugs and ensure that non-preferred drugs are used appropriately for OHP-funded conditions

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 12 months

### Requires PA:

- Non-preferred drugs (pharmacy and physician administered drugs)

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

### Approval Criteria

1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Is this an OHP-funded diagnosis?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Go to #4
3. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?  Message: Preferred products do not require a PA. Preferred products are evidence-based and reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the P&T Committee.	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class.	<b>No:</b> Approve for 12 months, or for length of the prescription, whichever is less
4. RPh only: All other indications need to be evaluated as to whether they are funded or contribute to a funded diagnosis on the OHP prioritized list. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If funded and clinic provides supporting literature: Approve for 12 months, or for length of the prescription, whichever is less.</li> <li>If not funded: Deny; not funded by the OHP.</li> </ul>		

P&T / DUR Review: 3/17 (SS)  
 Implementation: TBD

## Omega-3 Fatty Acids

**Goal(s):**

- Restrict use of omega-3 fatty acids to patients at increased risk for pancreatitis.

**Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 12 months

**Requires PA:**

- Omega-3-Acid Ethyl Esters (Lovaza®)
- Icosapent Ethyl (Vascepa®)

**Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Is the diagnosis an OHP funded diagnosis?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP
3. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?  Message: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preferred products do not require PA.</li> <li>• Preferred products are reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Oregon Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee.</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class.	<b>No:</b> Go to #4
4. Does the patient have clinically diagnosed hypertriglyceridemia with triglyceride levels $\geq$ 500 mg/dL?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
5. Has the patient failed or have a contraindication to an adequate trial (at least 8 weeks) of a fibric acid derivative (fenofibrate or gemfibrozil) at a maximum tolerable dose (as seen in dosing table below); <b>OR</b> Is the patient taking a statin and unable to take a fibric acid derivative due to an increased risk of myopathy?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve up to 1 year.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness. Recommend trial of other agent(s).

**Table 1: Dosing of Fenofibrate and Derivatives for Hypertriglyceridemia.**

Trade Name (generic)	Recommended dose	Maximum dose
Antara (fenofibrate capsules)	43-130 mg once daily	130 mg once daily
Fenoglide (fenofibrate tablet)	40-120 once daily	120 mg once daily
Fibracor (fenofibrate tablet)	25-105 mg once daily	105 mg once daily
Lipofen (fenofibrate capsule)	50-150 mg once daily	150 mg once daily
Lofibra (fenofibrate capsule)	67-200 mg once daily	200 mg once daily
Lofibra (fenofibrate tablet)	54-160 mg once daily	160 mg once daily
Lopid (gemfibrozil tablet)	600 mg twice daily	600 mg twice daily
Tricor (fenofibrate tablet)	48-145 mg once daily	145 mg once daily
Triglide (fenofibrate tablet)	50-160 mg once daily	160 mg once daily
Trilipix (fenofibrate DR capsule)	45-135 mg once daily	135 mg once daily

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*P&T/DUR Review:* 5/19 (MH); 11/16 (DM); 3/14  
*Implementation:* 1/1/17; 5/1/14

## Long-acting Opioid Analgesics

### Goals:

- Restrict use of long-acting opioid analgesics to OHP-funded conditions with documented sustained improvement in pain and function and with routine monitoring for opioid misuse and abuse.
- Restrict use of long-acting opioid analgesics for conditions of the back and/or spine due to evidence of increased risk vs. benefit.
- Promote the safe use of long-acting opioid analgesics by restricting use of high doses that have not demonstrated improved benefit and are associated with greater risk for accidental opioid overdose and death.

### Length of Authorization:

- **90 days (except 12 months for end-of-life or cancer-related pain)**

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

### Requires a PA:

- All long-acting opioids and opioid combination products.

### Note:

- Patients on palliative care with a terminal diagnosis or with cancer-related pain (ICD10 C6900-C799; C800-C802) are exempt from this PA.
- This PA does not apply to pediatric use of codeine products, which is subject to separate clinical PA criteria.

**Table 1.** Daily Dose Threshold (90 Morphine Milligram Equivalents per Day) of Opioid Products.

Opioid	90 MME/day	Notes
Fentanyl (transdermal patch)	37.5 mcg/hr	Use only in opioid-tolerant patients who have been taking $\geq 60$ MME daily for a $\geq 1$ week. Deaths due to a fatal overdose of fentanyl have occurred when pets, children and adults were accidentally exposed to fentanyl transdermal patch. Strict adherence to the recommended handling and disposal instructions is of the utmost importance to prevent accidental exposure.)
Hydrocodone	90 mg	
Hydromorphone	22.5 mg	
Morphine	90 mg	
Oxycodone	60 mg	
Oxymorphone	30 mg	
Tapentadol	225 mg	
Tramadol	300 mg	300 mg/day is max dose and is not equivalent to 90 MME/day.
Methadone*	20 mg	<b>*DO NOT USE unless very familiar with the complex pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamics properties of methadone.</b> Methadone exhibits a non-linear relationship due to its long half-life and accumulates with chronic dosing. Methadone also has complex interactions with several other drugs. The dose should not be increased more frequently than once every 7 days. Methadone is associated with an increased incidence of prolonged QTc interval, torsades de pointe and sudden cardiac death.

**Table 2.** Specific Long-acting Opioid Products Subject to Quantity Limits per FDA-approved Labeling.

Drug Product	Quantity Limit	Drug Product	Quantity Limit	Drug Product	Quantity Limit
AVINZA	1 dose/day	HYSINGLA ER	2 doses/day	XARTEMIS XR	4 doses/day
BELBUCA	2 doses/day	KADIAN	2 doses/day	XTAMPZA ER	2 doses/day
BUTRANS	1 patch/7 days	MORPHABOND	2 doses/day	ZOXYDRO ER	2 doses/day
EMBEDA	2 doses/day	NUCYNTA ER	2 doses/day		
EXALGO	1 dose/day	OPANA ER	2 doses/day		
Fentanyl patch	1 dose/72 hr	OXYCONTIN	2 doses/day		
		TROXYCA ER	2 doses/day		

Approval Criteria		
1. What is the patient's diagnosis?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Is the diagnosis funded by the OHP?  Note: Management of pain associated with <i>back or spine conditions with long-acting opioids</i> is not funded by the OHP*. Other conditions, such as fibromyalgia, TMJ, tension headache and pelvic pain syndrome are also not funded by the OHP.	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.  Note: Management of opioid dependence is funded by the OHP.
3. Is the requested medication a preferred agent?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Go to #4
4. Will the prescriber change to a preferred product?  Note: Preferred opioids are reviewed and designated as preferred agents by the Oregon Pharmacy & Therapeutics Committee based on published medical evidence for safety and efficacy.	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class.	<b>No:</b> Go to #5
5. Is the patient being treated for cancer-related pain (ICD10 G89.3) or under palliative care services (ICD10 Z51.5) with a life-threatening illness or severe advanced illness expected to progress toward dying?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months	<b>No:</b> Go to #6

<p>6. Is the prescriber enrolled in the Oregon Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (<a href="http://www.orpdmp.com">www.orpdmp.com</a>) and has the prescriber verified at least once in the past <u>3 months</u> that the patient has been prescribed opioid analgesics by only a <u>single</u> prescribing practice or prescriber?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #7</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
<p>7. Is the prescription for pain associated with migraine or other type of headache?</p> <p>Note: there is limited or insufficient evidence for opioid use for many pain conditions, including migraine or other types of headache.</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #8</p>
<p>8. Does the total daily opioid dose exceed 90 MME (see Table 1)?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p> <p>Note: Management of opioid dependence is funded by the OHP.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #9</p>
<p>9. Is the patient concurrently on other short- or long-acting opioids (patients may receive a maximum of one opioid product regardless of formulation)?</p> <p>Note: There is insufficient evidence for use of concurrent opioid products (e.g., long-acting opioid with short-acting opioid).</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p> <p>Note: Management of opioid dependence is funded by the OHP.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #10</p>
<p>10. Does the prescription exceed quantity limits applied in Table 2 (if applicable)?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #11</p>
<p>11. Can the prescriber provide documentation of sustained improvement of at least 30% in pain, function, or quality of life in the past 3 months compared to baseline?</p> <p>Note: Pain control, quality of life, and function can be quickly assessed using the 3-item PEG scale.**</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #12</p> <p>Document tool used and score vs. baseline: _____</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p> <p>Note: Management of opioid dependence is funded by the OHP.</p>
<p>12. Has the patient had a urinary drug screen (UDS) within the past 1 year to verify absence of illicit drugs and non-prescribed opioids?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 90 days.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p> <p>Note: Management of opioid dependence is funded by the OHP.</p>

\*See Guideline Note 60 within the Prioritized List of Health Services for conditions of coverage for pain associated with back or spine conditions: <http://www.oregon.gov/OHA/HPA/CSI-HERC/Pages/Prioritized-List.aspx>

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  - b. Address increased pain with use of non-opioid options.
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7. Do not reverse the taper; it must be unidirectional. The rate may be slowed or paused while monitoring for and managing withdrawal symptoms.
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12. Consider inpatient withdrawal management if the taper is poorly tolerated.

## Symptoms and Treatment of Opioid Withdrawal.

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Restlessness, sweating or tremors	Clonidine 0.1-0.2 mg orally every 6 hours or transdermal patch 0.1-0.2 mg weekly (If using the patch, oral medication may be needed for the first 72 hours) during taper. Monitor for significant hypotension and anticholinergic side effects.
Nausea	Anti-emetics such as ondansetron or prochlorperazine
Vomiting	Loperamide or anti-spasmodics such as dicyclomine
Muscle pain, neuropathic pain or myoclonus	NSAIDs, gabapentin or muscle relaxants such as cyclobenzaprine, tizanidine or methocarbamol
Insomnia	Sedating antidepressants (e.g. nortriptyline 25 mg at bedtime or mirtazapine 15 mg at bedtime or trazodone 50 mg at bedtime). Do not use benzodiazepines or sedative-hypnotics.

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*Implementation:* Phase implementation initiated 8/21/17

## Questions and answers about opioid coverage criteria effective August 21, 2017

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### Which opioids are restricted to 7 days or less for acute conditions?

Short-acting opioids such as hydrocodone/acetaminophen, oxycodone, and tramadol are restricted to 7 days or less for acute conditions. Long-acting opioids such as fentanyl and extended release morphine sulfate do not have this restriction.

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- Long-acting: <http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/drugclass.php?cid=1050>.

### Why are short-acting opioids restricted to 7 days or less for acute conditions?

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### What criteria apply to both short- and long-acting opioids?

Criteria for both short- and long-acting opioids require:

- A prescription that:
  - Is for a diagnosis which is funded by the OHP
  - Is not for pain associated with migraine or other type of headache, and
  - Does not exceed a total daily opioid dose of 90 morphine milligram equivalents (MME) per day.
- Documented verification that the patient:
  - Is not high-risk for opioid misuse or abuse,
  - Is not concurrently on other short- or long-acting opioids, and
  - Has sustained improvement of at least 30 percent in pain, function, or quality of life in the past 3 months (compared to baseline).

### Do the new criteria apply to cancer-related pain or palliative care services?

No. Besides requiring an OHP-funded diagnosis, the additional new prior authorization criteria requirements do not apply if a patient is:

- Being treated for cancer-related pain (ICD-10 G89.3), or
- Under palliative care services (ICD-10 Z51.5) with a life-threatening illness or severe advanced illness expected to progress toward dying.

Providing the ICD-10 diagnosis code on the prescription order and submitting it on the pharmacy claim may expedite the approval process.

## Questions?

- **About pharmacy point of sale and prior authorizations for fee-for-service prescriptions:** Call the Oregon Pharmacy Call Center at 1-888-202-2126.
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## Short-acting Opioid Analgesics

### Goals:

- Restrict use of short-acting opioid analgesics for acute conditions funded by the OHP.
- Promote use of preferred short-acting opioid analgesics.

### Length of Authorization:

- **7 to 30 days (except 12 months for end-of-life or cancer-related pain)**

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

### Requires a PA:

- Non-preferred short-acting opioids and opioid combination products.
- All short-acting products prescribed for more than 7 days.

### Note:

- Patients on palliative care with a terminal diagnosis or with cancer-related pain (ICD10 C6900-C799; C800-C802) are exempt from this PA.
- This PA does not apply to pediatric use of codeine products, which is subject to separate clinical PA criteria.

**Table 1.** Daily Dose Threshold (90 morphine milligram equivalents per day (MME/day) of Oral Opioid Products.

Opioid	90 MME/day Dose	Notes
Codeine	600 mg	Codeine is not recommended for pediatric use; codeine is a prodrug of morphine and is subject to different rates of metabolism placing certain populations at risk for overdose.
Benzhydrocodone	73.5 mg	
Hydrocodone bitartrate	90 mg	
Hydromorphone	22.5 mg	
Levorphanol tartrate	8 mg	
Meperidine	900 mg	Meperidine is not recommended for management of chronic pain due to potential accumulation of toxic metabolites.
Morphine	90 mg	
Oxycodone	60 mg	
Oxymorphone	30 mg	
Tapentadol	225 mg	
Tramadol	400 mg	400 mg/day is max dose and is not equivalent to 90 MME/day.

### Approval Criteria

1. What is the patient's diagnosis?	Record ICD10
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<p>2. Is the diagnosis funded by the OHP?</p> <p>Note: conditions such as fibromyalgia, TMJ, pelvic pain syndrome and tension headache are not funded by the OHP.</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #3</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.</p> <p>For patients with a history of chronic opioid use, short-term approval may be considered if a patient-specific taper plan is documented or for up to 30 days to allow providers time to develop a taper plan. Subsequent approvals must document progress toward the taper.</p> <p>Note: Management of opioid dependence is funded by the OHP.</p>
<p>3. Is the requested medication a preferred agent?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #5</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #4</p>
<p>4. Will the prescriber change to a preferred product?</p> <p>Note: Preferred opioids are reviewed and designated as preferred agents by the Oregon Pharmacy &amp; Therapeutics Committee based on published medical evidence for safety and efficacy.</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #5</p>
<p>5. Is the patient being treated for cancer-related pain (ICD10 G89.3) or under palliative care services (ICD10 Z51.5) with a life-threatening illness or severe advanced illness expected to progress toward dying?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #6</p>
<p>6. Is the prescription for a short-acting fentanyl product?</p> <p>Note: Short-acting transmucosal fentanyl products are designed for breakthrough cancer pain only. This PA does not apply to transdermal fentanyl patches.</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p> <p>Note: Management of opioid dependence is funded by the OHP.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #7</p>

<p>7. Is the opioid prescribed for pain related to migraine or other type of headache?</p> <p>Note: there is limited or insufficient evidence for opioid use for many pain conditions, including migraine or other types of headache.</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #8</p>
<p>8. Is the prescriber enrolled in the Oregon Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (<a href="http://www.orpdmp.com">www.orpdmp.com</a>) and has the prescriber reviewed at least once in the past <u>3 months</u> the scheduled substances the patient has recently been prescribed from other providers?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #9</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>
<p>9. Did the patient's pain originate from acute injury, flare, or surgery that occurred in the last 6 weeks?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #10</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #15</p>
<p>10. Has at least one non-opioid analgesic (e.g., NSAID, acetaminophen, and/or muscle relaxant) been tried and found to be ineffective or are contraindicated?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #11</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
<p>11. Is the opioid prescription for pain associated with a back or spine condition?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #12</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Approve for up to 30 days</p>
<p>12. Has the prescriber also developed a plan with the patient to stay active (home or prescribed exercise regimen) and with consideration of additional therapies such as spinal manipulation, physical therapy, yoga, or acupuncture?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #13</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
<p>13. Is this the first opioid prescription the patient has received for this pain condition?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 7 days</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #14</p>

<p>14. Can the prescriber provide documentation of sustained improvement in function of at least 30% compared to baseline with prior use of opioid analgesics (e.g., validated tools to assess function include: Oswestry, Neck Disability Index, SF-MPQ, and MSPQ)?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 7 days</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>
<p>15. Has the patient been prescribed opioid analgesics for more than 6 weeks?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #16</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #10</p>
<p>16. Can the prescriber provide documentation of sustained improvement of at least 30% in pain, function, or quality of life in the past 3 months compared to baseline?</p> <p>Note: Pain control, quality of life, and function can be quickly assessed using the 3-item PEG scale.*</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Document tool used to measure pain and/or function. Go to #17</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. May approve for up to 30 days one time. For future claims without documentation: deny; medical appropriateness.</p> <p>Note: Management of opioid dependence is funded by the OHP.</p>
<p>17. Has the patient had a urinary drug screen (UDS) within the past year to verify absence of illicit drugs and non-prescribed opioids?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #18</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p> <p>Note: Management of opioid dependence is funded by the OHP.</p>
<p>18. Is the opioid prescription for pain associated with a back or spine condition?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #19</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #20</p>

<p>19. Have any of the following therapies also been prescribed and utilized by the patient: spinal manipulation, physical therapy, yoga or acupuncture?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Document additional therapy. Approve for up to 7 days.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Risks outweigh benefits for back and spine conditions. OHP will not fund chronic use of opioids for back or spine conditions beginning 1/1/2018. Prescriber must develop a taper plan with the patient with a quit date before 1/1/2018. OHP funds treatment for patients who have become dependent or addicted to opioid analgesics.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>
<p>20. Does the total daily opioid dose exceed 90 MME (Table 1)?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. May approve one time. For future claims: deny; medical appropriateness.</p> <p>For patients with a history of chronic opioid use, short-term approval may be considered if a patient-specific taper plan is documented or for up to 30 days to allow providers time to develop a taper plan. Subsequent approvals must document progress toward the taper.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Management of opioid dependence is funded by the OHP.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Approve for up to 30 days.</p>

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Restlessness, sweating or tremors	Clonidine 0.1-0.2 mg orally every 6 hours or transdermal patch 0.1-0.2 mg weekly (If using the patch, oral medication may be needed for the first 72 hours) during taper. Monitor for significant hypotension and anticholinergic side effects.
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## Oral Cystic Fibrosis Modulators

### Goals:

- To ensure appropriate drug use and limit to patient populations in which they have demonstrated to be effective and safe.
- To monitor for clinical response for appropriate continuation of therapy.

### Length of Authorization:

- 90 days to 6 months

### Requires PA:

- Ivacaftor (Kalydeco®)
- Lumacaftor/ivacaftor (Orkambi®)
- Tezacaftor/ivacaftor (Symdeko®)

### Preferred Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. Is this a request for continuation of therapy previously approved by the FFS program (patient already on ivacaftor, lumacaftor/ivacaftor, or tezacaftor/ivacaftor)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to <b>Renewal Criteria</b>	<b>No:</b> Go to #2
2. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code. Go to #3	
3. Is the request from a practitioner at an accredited Cystic Fibrosis Center or a pulmonologist?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
4. How many exacerbations and/or hospitalizations in the past 12 months has the patient had?	Prescriber must provide documentation before approval. Document baseline value. Go to #5	
5. Is the request for ivacaftor?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #6	<b>No:</b> Go to #10
6. What is the patient's baseline sweat chloride level?	Prescriber must provide documentation before approval. Document baseline value. Go to #7	
7. Does the patient have a diagnosis of cystic fibrosis and is 12 months of age or older?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #8	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

## Approval Criteria

<p>8. Does the patient have a documented mutation in the CFTR gene that ivacaftor is FDA approved for (see below)?</p> <p>FDA approved CFTR mutations include: E56K, G178R, S549R K1060T, G1244E, P67L, E193K, G551D, A1067T, S1251N R74W, L206W, G551S, G1069R, S1255P, D110E, R347H, D579G, R1070Q, D1270N, D110H, R352Q, S945L, R1070W G1349D, R117C, A455E, S977F, F1074L, R117H, S549N, F1052V, D1152H 3849 + 10kbC –T, 2789 +5G&gt;A, 3272-26A-G, 711+3A-G, E831X</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #17</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #9</p> <p>If unknown, there needs to be a CF mutation test to detect the presence of the CFTR mutation prior to use.</p> <p>CF due to other CFTR gene mutations are not approved indications (including the F508del mutation).</p>
<p>9. Does the patient have a documented R117H mutation in the CFTR gene detected by a CF mutation test?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Refer request to Medical Director for manual review and assessment of clinical severity of disease for approval.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p> <p>If unknown, there needs to be a CF mutation test to detect the presence of the CFTR mutation prior to use.</p> <p>CF due to other CFTR gene mutations are not approved indications (including the F508del mutation).</p>
<p>10. Is the request for lumacaftor/ivacaftor?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #11</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #13</p>
<p>11. Does the patient have a diagnosis of cystic fibrosis and is 2 years of age or older?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #12</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>

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<p>12. Does the patient have a documented homozygous Phe508del mutation in the CFTR gene detected by a CF mutation test?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> If the patient is younger than 12 years of age, refer case to <u>OHP Medical Director</u>; otherwise, Go to #17</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p> <p>If unknown, there needs to be a CF mutation test to detect the presence of the CFTR mutation prior to use.</p> <p>CF due to other CFTR gene mutations are not approved indications (including those who are heterozygous for the F508del mutation)</p>
<p>13. Is the request for tezacaftor/ivacaftor?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #14</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
<p>14. Does the patient have a diagnosis of cystic fibrosis and is 12 years of age or older?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #15</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
<p>15. Does the patient have a documented homozygous Phe508del mutation in the CFTR gene detected by a CF mutation test?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #17</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #16</p> <p>If unknown, there needs to be a CF mutation test to detect the presence of the CFTR mutation prior to use.</p>
<p>16. Does the patient have at least one mutation that is responsive to tezacaftor/ivacaftor based on in vitro data and FDA labeling?</p> <p>Note: A list of CFTR gene mutations that produce CFTR protein and are responsive to tezacaftor/ivacaftor include: A455E, A1067T, D110E, D110H, D579G, D1152H, D1270N, E56K, E193K, E831X, F1052V, F1074L, K1060T, L206W, P67L, R74W, R1070W, R117C, R347H, R352Q, S945L, S977F, 711+3A→G, 2789+5G→A, 3272-26A→G, 3849+10kbC→T</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #17</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p> <p>If unknown, there needs to be a CF mutation test to detect the presence of the CFTR mutation prior to use.</p>

Approval Criteria		
17. Is the patient on ALL the following drugs, or has had an adequate trial of each drug, unless contraindicated or not appropriate based on age <6 years and normal lung function: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dornase alfa; AND</li> <li>• Hypertonic saline; AND</li> <li>• Inhaled or oral antibiotics (if appropriate)?</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #18	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
18. Is the patient on concomitant therapy with a strong CYP3A4 inducer (see Table 1)?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness	<b>No:</b> Go to #19
19. What are the baseline liver function (AST/ALT) and bilirubin levels (within previous 3 months)?	Document labs. Go to #20  If unknown, these labs need to be collected prior to approval.	
20. Is medication dosed appropriately based on age, weight, and co-administered drugs (see dosing and administration below)?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 90 days.  Note: Approve for 90 days to allow time for patient to have a sweat chloride test done after 30 days of treatment if on IVA (see <b>Renewal Criteria</b> ).  If approved, a referral will be made to case management by the Oregon Health Authority.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

Renewal Criteria		
1. Is this the first time the patient is requesting a renewal (after 90 days of initial approval)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #2	<b>No:</b> Go to #4

## Renewal Criteria

<p>2. If prescription is for ivacaftor: Does the patient have a documented physiological response to therapy and evidence of adherence after 30 days of treatment, as defined by a sweat chloride test that has decreased by at least 20 mmol/L from baseline?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #7</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #3 Consider patient's adherence to therapy and repeat test in 2 weeks to 45 days to allow for variability in test. If sodium chloride has still not decreased by 20 mmol/L, deny therapy for medical appropriateness</p>
<p>3. If the prescription is for lumacaftor/ivacaftor or tezacaftor/ivacaftor: Is there evidence of adherence and tolerance to therapy through pharmacy claims/refill history and provider assessment?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #7</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh; Deny (medical appropriateness)</p>
<p>4. Does the patient have documented response to therapy as defined as below :</p> <p>For patients age <math>\geq 6</math> years:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An improvement or lack of decline in lung function as measured by the FEV1 when the patient is clinically stable; OR</li> <li>• A reduction in the incidence of pulmonary exacerbations; OR</li> <li>• A significant improvement in BMI by 10% from baseline?</li> </ul> <p>For patients age 2-5 years (cannot complete lung function tests)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Significant improvement in BMI by 10% from baseline; OR</li> <li>• Improvement in exacerbation frequency or severity; OR</li> <li>• Sweat chloride test has decreased from baseline by 20 mmol/L from baseline?</li> </ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #5</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
<p>5. Has the patient been compliant with therapy, as determined by refill claims history?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #6</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>

## Renewal Criteria

<p>6. Have liver function tests been appropriately monitored? What are the most recent liver function tests (AST, ALT, and bilirubin)?</p> <p>Note: Monitoring LFTs is recommended every 3 months for the first year, followed by once a year.</p>	<p>Document. Go to #7</p> <p>Note: Therapy should be interrupted in patients with AST or ALT &gt;5x the upper limit of normal (ULN), or ALT or AST &gt;3x ULN with bilirubin &gt;2x ULN.</p>	
<p>7. Is the CFTR modulator dosed appropriately based on age, weight, and co-administered drugs (see dosing and administration below)?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for additional 3 months (total of 6 months since start of therapy)</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>

## Dosage and Administration:

### Ivacaftor:

- Adults and pediatrics age ≥6 years: 150 mg orally every 12 hours with fat-containing foods
- Children age 1 to <6 years:
  - < 14 kg: 50 mg packet every 12 hours
  - ≥ 14 kg: 75 mg packet every 12 hours
- Hepatic Impairment
  - Moderate Impairment (Child-Pugh class B):
    - Age ≥6 years: one 150 mg tablet once daily
    - Age 1 to < 6 years with body weight < 14 kg: 50 mg packet once daily; with body weight ≥ 14 kg : 75 mg packet of granules once daily
  - Severe impairment (Child-Pugh class C): Use with caution at a dose of 1 tablet or 1 packet of oral granules once daily or less frequently.
- Dose adjustment with concomitant medications:

Table 1. Examples of CYP3A4 inhibitors and inducers.

Drug co-administered with IVA	Co-administered drug category	Recommended dosage adjustment for IVA
Ketoconazole Itraconazole Posaconazole Voriconazole Clarithromycin Telithromycin	CYP3A4 strong inhibitors	Reduce IVA dose to 1 tablet or 1 packet of oral granules <b>twice weekly</b> (one-seventh of normal initial dose)
Fluconazole Erythromycin Clofazimine	CYP3A4 moderate inhibitors	Reduce IVA dose to 1 tablet or 1 packet of oral granules <b>once daily</b> (half of normal dose)
Rifampin Rifabutin Phenobarbital Phenytoin	CYP3A4 strong inducers	Concurrent use is <b>NOT</b> recommended

Carbamazepine St. John's wort Grapefruit Juice		
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### Lumacaftor/ivacaftor

- Adults and pediatrics age ≥12 years: 2 tablets (LUM 200 mg/IVA 125 mg) every 12 hours
- Pediatric patients age 6 through 11 years: 2 tablets (LUM 100mg/IVA 125 mg) every 12 hours
- Children age 2 to <6 years:
  - < 14 kg: 1 packet (LUM 100mg/IVA125mg) every 12 hours
  - ≥ 14 kg: 1 packet (LUM 150mg/IVA 188mg) every 12 hours
- Hepatic impairment
  - Moderate impairment (Child-Pugh class B):
    - Age ≥ 6 years: 2 tablets in the morning and 1 tablet in the evening
    - Age 2 to <6 years: 1 packet in the morning and 1 packet every other day in the evening
  - Severe impairment (Child-Pugh class C): Use with caution after weighing the risks and benefits of treatment.
    - Age ≥ 6 years: 1 tablet twice daily, or less
    - Age 2 to <6 years: 1 packet once daily, or less
- Dose adjustment with concomitant medications:
  - When initiating therapy in patients taking strong CYP3A inhibitors (see table above), reduce dose to 1 tablet daily for the first week of treatment. Following this period, continue with the recommended daily dose.

### Tezacaftor/ivacaftor:

- Adults and pediatrics age ≥12 years: 1 tablet (TEZ 100 mg/IVA 150 mg) in the morning and IVA 150 mg in the evening
- Hepatic impairment
  - Moderate impairment (Child-Pugh class B):
    - 1 tablet (TEZ 100 mg/IVA 150 mg) in the morning. The evening IVA dose should not be administered.
  - Severe impairment (Child-Pugh class C):
    - 1 tablet (TEZ 100 mg/IVA 150 mg) in the morning (or less frequently). The evening IVA dose should not be administered.
- Dose adjustment with concomitant medications:
  - When initiating therapy in patients taking moderate CYP3A inhibitors (see table above), reduce dose to:
    - On day 1, TEZ 100/IVA 150 once daily in the morning, and on day 2, IVA 150 mg once daily in the morning; continue this dosing schedule.
  - When initiating therapy in patients taking strong CYP3A4 inhibitors (See table above), reduce dose to:
    - TEZ 100 mg/IVA 150 mg twice a week, administered 3 to 4 days apart. The evening dose of IVA 150 mg should not be administered.

P&T Review: 9/18 (MH); 7/18; 11/16; 11/15; 7/15; 5/15; 5/14; 6/12  
 Implementation: 11/1/2018; 1/1/16; 8/25/15; 8/12

## Oxazolidinone Antibiotics

**Goal(s):**

- To optimize treatment of infections due to gram-positive organisms such as methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA) and vancomycin-resistant *Enterococcus faecium* (VRE)

**Length of Authorization:**

- 6 days

**Requires PA:**

- Non-preferred Oxazolidinone antibiotics

**Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

### Approval Criteria

1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD-10 code.	
2. Does the patient have an active infection with suspected or documented MRSA (e.g. B95.8, B95.61, B95.62, J15212) or VRE (e.g. Z16.20, Z16.21, Z16.22, Z16.31, Z16.32, Z16.33, Z16.39) or other multi-drug resistant gram-positive cocci (e.g. Z16.30, Z16.24)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
3. Does the patient have a documented trial of appropriate therapy with vancomycin or linezolid, or is the organism not susceptible?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve tedizolid for up to 6 days and other non-preferred drugs for prescribed course.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

P&T/DUR Review: 5/15  
 Implementation 10/13/16; 7/1/15

## Palivizumab (Synagis®)

### **Goal(s):**

- Promote safe and effective use of palivizumab.

### **Length of Authorization:**

- Based on individual factors; may extend up to 5 months (5 doses)

### **Approval Criteria**

1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code											
2. Has the patient been receiving monthly palivizumab prophylaxis and been hospitalized for a breakthrough RSV infection?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh; deny for medical appropriateness.	<b>No:</b> Go to #3										
3. Is the request for immunoprophylaxis between the months of November and March?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Go to #4										
4. Is the request for immunoprophylaxis starting in October due to an early onset* of the RSV season in the region from which the patient resides (see below)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness. Prophylaxis is indicated only during high viral activity.										
<p>* Onset is defined as 2 consecutive weeks where % positive is <math>\geq 10\%</math>, (data are provided by the Oregon's Weekly Respiratory Syncytial Virus Surveillance Report from the Oregon Public Health Division based on regions. Weekly updates are found at: <a href="https://public.health.oregon.gov/DiseasesConditions/DiseasesAZ/Pages/disease.aspx?did=40">https://public.health.oregon.gov/DiseasesConditions/DiseasesAZ/Pages/disease.aspx?did=40</a>)</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse; margin-top: 10px;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 20%; padding: 2px;">Region</th> <th style="padding: 2px;">Counties</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;"><b>NW Oregon – SW Washington</b></td> <td style="padding: 2px;">Benton, Clackamas, Clatsop, Columbia, Lane, Lincoln, Linn, Marion, Multnomah, Polk, Tillamook, Washington, Yamhill</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;"><b>Central Oregon</b></td> <td style="padding: 2px;">Crook, Deschutes, Grant, Harney, Jefferson, Wheeler</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;"><b>Columbia Gorge – NE Oregon</b></td> <td style="padding: 2px;">Baker, Gilliam, Hood River, Morrow, Sherman, Umatilla, Union, Wasco, Wallowa</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;"><b>Southern Oregon</b></td> <td style="padding: 2px;">Coos, Curry, Douglas, Jackson, Josephine, Klamath, Lake, Malheur</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>			Region	Counties	<b>NW Oregon – SW Washington</b>	Benton, Clackamas, Clatsop, Columbia, Lane, Lincoln, Linn, Marion, Multnomah, Polk, Tillamook, Washington, Yamhill	<b>Central Oregon</b>	Crook, Deschutes, Grant, Harney, Jefferson, Wheeler	<b>Columbia Gorge – NE Oregon</b>	Baker, Gilliam, Hood River, Morrow, Sherman, Umatilla, Union, Wasco, Wallowa	<b>Southern Oregon</b>	Coos, Curry, Douglas, Jackson, Josephine, Klamath, Lake, Malheur
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5. Is the current age of the patient < 24 months at start of RSV season?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #6	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness. Not recommended for patients $\geq 24$ months old.										

## Approval Criteria

<p><b>6. <u>GROUP A</u></b> Does the patient have the CLD (chronic lung disease) of prematurity ICD10 Q331 through Q339 <b>and</b> in the past 6 months has required medical treatment with at least one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. diuretics</li> <li>b. chronic corticosteroid therapy</li> <li>c. supplemental oxygen therapy</li> </ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #18</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #7</p>
<p><b>7. <u>GROUP B</u></b> Has the patient received a cardiac transplant during the RSV season?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #18</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #8</p>
<p><b>8. <u>GROUP C</u></b> Is the child profoundly immunocompromised during the RSV season (i.e. solid organ transplant or hematopoietic stem cell transplantation)?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #18</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #9</p>
<p><b>9. <u>GROUP D</u></b> Does the infant have cystic fibrosis and manifestations of severe lung disease or weight or length less than the 10<sup>th</sup> percentile?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #18</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #10</p>
<p><b>10. <u>GROUP E</u></b> Is the request for a second season of palivizumab prophylaxis for a child born &lt;32 weeks, 0 days gestation who required at least 28 days of oxygen, chronic systemic corticosteroid therapy, or bronchodilator therapy within 6 months of start of second RSV season?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #18</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #11</p>
<p><b>11.</b> Will the patient be &lt;12 months at start of RSV season?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #12</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>
<p><b>12. <u>GROUP F</u></b> Was the infant born before 29 weeks, 0 days gestation?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #18</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #13</p>

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<p><b>13. <u>GROUP G</u></b> Does the infant have pulmonary abnormalities of the airway or neuromuscular disease compromising handling of secretions?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #18</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #14</p>
<p><b>14. <u>GROUP H</u></b> Does the patient have hemodynamically significant congenital heart disease (CHD) ICD10: P293, Q209, Q220-Q223, Q225, Q229-Q234, Q238, Q240-Q246, Q248-Q249, Q250-Q256, Q278-Q279, Q282-Q283, Q288-Q289, Q2560-Q2565, Q2568-Q2569, Q2570-Q2572, Q2579, Q2731-Q2732 and at least one of the following: a. Acyanotic heart disease who are receiving treatment to control congestive heart failure and will require cardiac surgical procedures; OR b. Have moderate to severe pulmonary hypertension; OR c. History of lesions adequately corrected by surgery AND still requiring medication for congestive heart failure?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #18</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #15</p>
<p><b>15. <u>GROUP I</u></b> Does the patient have chronic lung disease (CLD) of prematurity defined as gestational age &lt;32 weeks, 0 days and requirement for &gt;21% oxygen for at least the first 28 days after birth?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #18</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #16</p>
<p><b>16. <u>GROUP J</u></b> Does the patient have cyanotic heart defects and immunoprophylaxis is recommended?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #18</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #17</p>
<p><b>17. <u>GROUP K</u></b> Does the patient have cystic fibrosis with clinical evidence of CLD and/or nutritional compromise?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #18</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>

## Approval Criteria

<p><b>18.</b> Is the request for more than 5 doses within the same RSV season or for dosing &lt;28 days apart?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness. Prophylaxis is indicated for 5 months maximum and doses should be administered <math>\geq 28</math> days apart.</p> <p>May approve for the following on a case-by-case basis:</p> <p>a. &gt;5 doses;</p> <p>b. Prophylaxis for a second / subsequent RSV season</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #19</p>
<p><b>19.</b> Has the patient had a weight taken within the last 30 days?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Document weight and date and go to #20</p> <p>Weight: _____</p> <p>Date: _____</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Obtain recent weight so accurate dose can be calculated.</p>
<p><b>20.</b> Approve palivizumab for a dose of 15 mg/kg. Document number of doses received in hospital and total number approved according to BIRTH DATE and GROUP based on start of RSV season:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Immunoprophylaxis between <u>November - March</u> refer to <b>Table 1</b></li> <li>- Immunoprophylaxis starting in <u>October</u> based on above (#4) refer to <b>Table 2</b></li> </ul> <p>Total number of doses approved for RSV season: _____</p> <p>Number of doses received in the hospital: _____</p> <p>Prior to each refill, the patient's parent/caregiver and prescriber must comply with all case management services, including obtaining current weight for accurate dosing purposes throughout the approved treatment period as required by the Oregon Health Authority.</p>		

**Table 1.** Maximum Number of Doses for RSV Prophylaxis (based on criteria group from above)  
Beginning **NOVEMBER 1**

MONTH OF BIRTH	ALL GROUPS
November 1 – March 31	5
April	5
May	5
June	5
July	5
August	5
September	5
October	5
November	5
December	4
January	3
February	2
March	1

\* Infant may require less doses than listed based on age at the time of discharge from the hospital. Subtract number of doses given in hospital from total number of approved doses.

**Table 2. Maximum Number of Doses for RSV Prophylaxis (based on criteria group from above)  
Beginning **OCTOBER 1****

MONTH OF BIRTH	ALL GROUPS
November 1 – March 31	5
April	5
May	5
June	5
July	5
August	5
September	5
October	5
November	5
December	4
January	3
February	2
March	1

\* Infant may require less doses than listed based on age at the time of discharge from the hospital. Subtract number of doses given in hospital from total number of approved doses.

**Notes:**

- Dose: 15 mg/kg via intramuscular injection once monthly throughout RSV season.
- The start date for Synagis® is November 1 each year (or sooner when the Oregon Public Health Division has determined that RSV season onset has occurred) for a total of up to 5 doses.
- Approval for more than 5 doses or additional doses after March 31 will be considered on a case-by-case basis. Results from clinical trials indicate that Synagis® trough concentrations greater than 30 days after the 5<sup>th</sup> dose are well above the protective concentration. Therefore, 5 doses will provide more than 20 weeks of protection.

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*P&T/DUR Review:* 11/16 (DE); 9/14; 5/11; 5/12  
*Implementation:* 1/1/17; 3/30/12

## Patiromer and Sodium Zirconium Cyclosilicate

### Goals:

- Restrict use of patiromer and sodium zirconium cyclosilicate (SZC) to patients with persistent or recurrent hyperkalemia not requiring urgent treatment.
- Prevent use in the emergent setting or in scenarios not supported by the medical literature.

### Length of Authorization:

- 3 months

### Requires PA:

- Patiromer and Sodium Zirconium Cyclosilicate

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. Is this a request for continuation of therapy previously approved by the FFS program (patient already on patiromer or Sodium Zirconium Cyclosilicate (SZC))?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to <b>Renewal Criteria</b>	<b>No:</b> Go to #2
2. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code. Go to #3	
3. Does the patient have persistent or recurrent serum potassium of $\geq 5.5$ mEq/L despite a review for discontinuation of medications that may contribute to hyperkalemia (e.g., potassium supplements, potassium-sparing diuretics, nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
4. Does the patient have hyperkalemia requiring emergency intervention (serum potassium $\geq 6.5$ mEq/L)?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness	<b>No:</b> Go to #5
5. Is the request for patiromer?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #6	<b>No:</b> Go to #7
6. Does the patient have hypomagnesemia (serum magnesium $< 1.4$ mg/dL)?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness	<b>No:</b> Go to #7
7. Does the patient have a severe GI disorder (i.e., major GI surgery (e.g., large bowel resection), bowel obstruction/impaction, swallowing disorders, gastroparesis, or severe constipation)?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness	<b>No:</b> Approve up to 3 months

## Renewal Criteria

1. Is the patient's potassium level < 5.1 mEq/L and has this decreased by at least 0.35 mEq/L from baseline?

**Yes:** Approve for up to 3 months

**No:** Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

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*P&T Review:* 05/19 (DM), 05/16  
*Implementation:* 7/1/2019, 8/16, 7/1/16

## PCSK9 Inhibitors

**Goal(s):**

- Promote use of PCSK9 inhibitors that is consistent with medical evidence
- Promote use of high value products

**Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 12 months

**Requires PA:**

- All PCSK9 inhibitors

**Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. Is this a request for renewal of a previously approved prior authorization?	<b>Yes: Go to Renewal Criteria</b>	<b>No: Go to #2</b>
2. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code; go to #3	
3. Does the patient have very high-risk clinical atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease (ASCVD), defined as documented history of multiple major ASCVD events <b>OR</b> one major ASCVD event and multiple high-risk conditions (See below)  <u>Major ASCVD events</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recent ACS (within past 12 months)</li> <li>• History of MI (other than recent ACS from above)</li> <li>• History of ischemic stroke</li> <li>• Symptomatic peripheral artery disease</li> </ul> <u>High-Risk Conditions:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Age ≥ 65</li> <li>• Heterozygous familial hypercholesterolemia</li> <li>• History of prior CABG or PCI</li> <li>• Diabetes Mellitus</li> <li>• Hypertension</li> <li>• Chronic Kidney Disease</li> <li>• Current smoking</li> <li>• Persistently elevated LDL-C ≥ 100 despite maximally tolerated statin therapy and ezetimibe</li> <li>• History of congestive heart failure</li> </ul>	<b>Yes: Go to #4</b>	<b>No: Go to #7</b>

## Approval Criteria

<p>4. Has the patient taken a daily high-intensity statin (see table below) and ezetimibe 10 mg daily for at least 3 months with a LDL-C still <math>\geq 70</math> mg/dl or non-HDL <math>\geq 100</math> mg/dl?</p> <p>Prescriber to submit chart documentation of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Doses and dates initiated of statin and ezetimibe;</li> <li>2) Baseline LDL-C (untreated);</li> <li>3) Recent LDL-C</li> </ol>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Confirm documentation; go to #5</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Statin: Dose: Date Initiated:</li> <li>2. Ezetimibe 10 mg daily Date Initiated:</li> </ol> <p>Baseline LDL-C _____ mg/dL Date: _____</p> <p>Recent LDL-C _____ mg/dL Date: _____</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #6</p>
<p>5. Is the patient adherent with a high-intensity statin and ezetimibe?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months</p> <p>Note: pharmacy profile may be reviewed to verify &gt;80% adherence (both lipid-lowering prescriptions refilled 5 months' supply in last 6 months)</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh; deny for medical appropriateness</p>
<p>6. Does the patient have a history of rhabdomyolysis caused by a statin; or alternatively, a history of creatinine kinase (CK) levels &gt;10-times upper limit of normal with muscle symptoms determined to be caused by a statin?</p> <p>Note: Prescriber must provide chart documentation of diagnosis or CK levels. A recent LDL-C level (within last 12 weeks) must also be submitted.</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Confirm chart documentation of diagnosis or labs and approve for up to 12 months</p> <p>Recent LDL-C _____ mg/dL Date: _____</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh; deny for medical appropriateness</p>
<p>7. Does the patient have a diagnosis of homozygous or heterozygous familial hypercholesterolemia?</p> <p>Note: Prescriber must provide chart documentation of diagnosis and recent LDL-C (within last 12 weeks).</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #8</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh; deny for medical appropriateness.</p>

## Approval Criteria

8. Does the patient still have a LDL-C of  $\geq 100$  mg/dl while taking a maximally tolerated statin and ezetimibe?

**Yes:** Approve for up to 12 months

**No:** Pass to RPh; deny for medical appropriateness.

Recent LDL-C \_\_\_\_\_ mg/dL

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Renewal Criteria

1. What is the most recent LDL-C (within last 12 weeks)?

Recent LDL-C \_\_\_\_\_ mg/dL

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ ; go to #2

2. Is the patient adherent with PCSK9 inhibitor therapy?

**Yes:** Approve for up to 12 months

**No:** Pass to RPh; deny for medical appropriateness

Note: pharmacy profile may be reviewed to verify >80% adherence (PCSK9 inhibitor prescription refilled 10 months' supply in last 12 months)

## High- and Moderate-intensity Statins.

High-intensity Statins ( $\geq 50\%$ LDL-C Reduction)	Moderate-intensity Statins (30 to <50% LDL-C Reduction)	
Atorvastatin 40-80 mg Rosuvastatin 20-40 mg	Atorvastatin 10-20 mg Fluvastatin 80 mg Lovastatin 40-80 mg	Pitavastatin 1-4 mg Pravastatin 40-80 mg Simvastatin 20-40 mg Rosuvastatin 5-10 mg

P&T / DUR Review: 5/19 (MH); 1/18; 11/16; 11/15  
Implementation: 7/1/2019; 3/1/18; 1/1/1

## Preferred Drug List (PDL) – Non-Preferred Drugs in Select PDL Classes

### Goal(s):

- Ensure that non-preferred drugs are used appropriately for OHP-funded conditions.

### Initiative:

- PDL: Preferred Drug List

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 6 months

### Requires PA:

- Non-preferred drugs

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

### Approval Criteria

1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Is this an FDA approved indication?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
3. Is this an OHP-funded diagnosis?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Go to #5
4. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?  Message: Preferred products do not generally require a PA. Preferred products are evidence-based and reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the P&T Committee.	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class.	<b>No:</b> Approve until anticipated formal review by the P&T committee, for 6 months, or for length of the prescription, whichever is less.
5. RPh only: All other indications need to be evaluated as to whether they are a funded diagnosis on the OHP prioritized list.  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If funded and clinic provides supporting literature: Approve until anticipated formal review by the P&amp;T committee, for 6 months, or for length of the prescription, whichever is less.</li> <li>• If not funded: Deny; not funded by the OHP.</li> </ul>		

P&T / DUR Review: 7/15 (RC), 9/10; 9/09; 5/09  
 Implementation: 10/13/16; 8/25/15; 8/15; 1/1/11, 9/16/10

## Peginterferon Beta-1a (Plegridy®)

### Goal(s):

- Approve therapy for covered diagnosis which are supported by the medical literature.

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 12 months

### Requires PA:

- Non-preferred drugs

### Covered Alternatives:

- Preferred alternatives listed at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Does the patient have a diagnosis of relapsing-remitting Multiple Sclerosis?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPH; Deny for medical appropriateness.
3. Will the prescriber consider a change to a Preferred MS product?	<b>Yes:</b> Inform provider of covered alternatives in the class. Additional information can be found at <a href="http://www.orpdl.org">www.orpdl.org</a> .	<b>No:</b> Go to #4.
4. Is the medication being prescribed by or in consultation with a neurologist?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPH; Deny for medical appropriateness.
5. Does the patient have any of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adherence issues necessitating less frequent administration</li> <li>• Dexterity issues limiting ability to administer subcutaneous injections</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to one year.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPH; Deny for medical appropriateness.

P&T / DUR Action: 11/17 (DM); 9/23/14  
 Implementation: 10/15

## Pegylated Interferons and Ribavirins

**Goal(s):**

- Cover drugs only for those clients where there is medical evidence of effectiveness and safety

**Length of Authorization:**

- 16 weeks plus 12-36 additional weeks or 12 months

**Requires PA:**

- All drugs in HIC3 = W5G

**Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. Is peginterferon requested preferred?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Go to #2
2. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?  <u>Message:</u> Preferred products are evidence-based reviewed for comparative effectiveness & safety Oregon Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&T) Committee	<b>Yes:</b> Inform provider of covered alternatives in class.	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
3. If the request is for interferon alfacon-1, does the patient have a documented trial of a pegylated interferon?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
4. Is the request for treatment of Chronic Hepatitis C? Document appropriate ICD10 code: (K739; K730; K732 or K738)	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Go to #11
5. Is the request for continuation of therapy previously approved by the FFS program? (Patient has been on HCV treatment in the preceding 12 weeks according to the Rx profile)	<b>Yes:</b> Go to "Continuation of Therapy"	<b>No:</b> Go to #6

## Approval Criteria

<p>6. Does the patient have a history of treatment with previous pegylated interferon-ribavirin combination treatment?</p> <p>Verify by reviewing member's Rx profile for PEG-Intron or Pegasys, PLUS ribavirin history. Does not include prior treatment with interferon monotherapy or non-pegylated interferon.</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Forward to DMAP Medical Director</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #7</p>
<p>7. Does the patient have any of the following contraindications to the use of interferon-ribavirin therapy?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• severe or uncontrolled psychiatric disorder</li> <li>• decompensated cirrhosis or hepatic encephalopathy</li> <li>• hemoglobinopathy</li> <li>• untreated hyperthyroidism</li> <li>• severe renal impairment or transplant</li> <li>• autoimmune disease</li> <li>• pregnancy</li> <li>• unstable CVD</li> </ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #8</p>
<p>8. If applicable, has the patient been abstinent from IV drug use or alcohol abuse for <math>\geq 6</math> months?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #9</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
<p>9. Does the patient have a detectable HCV RNA (viral load) <math>&gt; 50\text{IU/mL}</math>? Record HCV RNA and date.</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #10</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>

## Approval Criteria

<p>10. Does the patient have a documented HCV Genotype? Record Genotype.</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for 16 weeks with the following response: Your request for has been approved for an initial 16 weeks. Subsequent approval is dependent on documentation of response via a repeat viral load demonstrating undetectable or 2-log reduction in HCV viral load. Please order a repeat viral load after 12 weeks submit lab results and relevant medical records with a new PA request for continuation therapy. Note: For ribavirin approve the generic only.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
<p>11. Is the request for Pegasys and the treatment for confirmed, compensated Chronic Hepatitis B?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #11</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
<p>12. Is the patient currently on LAMIVUDINE (EPIVIR HBV), ADEFOVIR (HEPSERA), ENTECAVIR (BARACLUDE), TELBIVUDINE (TYZEKA) and the request is for combination Pegasys-oral agent therapy?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #12</p>
<p>13. Has the member received previous treatment with pegylated interferon?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness Recommend: LAMIVUDINE (EPIVIR HBV) ADEFOVIR (HEPSERA)</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Approve Pegasys #4 x 1mL vials or #4 x 0.5 mL syringes per month for 12 months (maximum per lifetime).</p>

## Continuation of Therapy- HCV

<p><b>1.</b> Does the client have undetectable HCV RNA or at least a 2-log reduction (+/- one standard deviation) in HCV RNA measured at 12 weeks?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve as follows:</p> <p>Approval for beyond quantity and duration limits requires approval from the medical director.</p>		<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p> <p>Treatment with pegylated interferon-ribavirin does not meet medical necessity criteria because there is poor chance of achieving an SVR.</p>	
	Geno-type	Approve for:		Apply
	1 or 4	<p><b>An additional 36 weeks</b> or for up to a total of 48 weeks of therapy (whichever is the lesser of the two).</p>		<p>Ribavirin quantity limit of 200 mg tablets QS# 180 / 25 days (for max daily dose =1200 mg).</p>
	2 or 3	<p><b>An additional 12 weeks</b> or for up to a total of 24 weeks of therapy (whichever is the lesser of the two).</p>		<p>Ribavirin quantity limit of 200 mg tab QS# 120 / 25 days (for max daily dose = 800 mg).</p>
For all genotypes and HIV co-infection	<p><b>An additional 36 weeks</b> or for up to a total of 48 weeks of therapy (whichever is the lesser of the two)</p>	<p>Ribavirin quantity limit of 200 mg tablets QS# 180 / 25 days (for max daily dose = 1200 mg).</p>		

### Clinical Notes:

- Serum transaminases: Up to 40% of clients with chronic hepatitis C have normal serum alanine aminotransferase (ALT) levels, even when tested on multiple occasions.
- RNA: Most clients with chronic hepatitis C have levels of HCV RNA (viral load) between 100,000 (10<sup>5</sup>) and 10,000,000 (10<sup>7</sup>) copies per ml. Expressed as IU, these averages are 50,000 to 5 million IU. Rates of response to a course of peginterferon-ribavirin are higher in clients with low levels of HCV RNA. There are several definitions of a “low level” of HCV RNA, but the usual definition is below 800,000 IU (~ 2 million copies) per ml (5).
- Liver biopsy: Not necessary for diagnosis but helpful for grading the severity of disease and staging the degree of fibrosis and permanent architectural damage and for ruling out other causes of liver disease, such as alcoholic liver injury, nonalcoholic fatty liver disease, or iron overload.

Stage is indicative of fibrosis:		Grade is indicative of necrosis:	
Stage 0	No fibrosis		
Stage 1	Enlargement of the portal areas by fibrosis	Stage 1	None
Stage 2	Fibrosis extending out from the portal areas with rare bridges between portal areas	Stage 2	Mild
Stage 3	Fibrosis that link up portal and central areas of the liver	Stage 3	Moderate
Stage 4	Cirrhosis	Stage 4	Marked

**The following are considered investigational and/or do not meet medical necessity criteria:**

- Treatment of HBV or HCV in clinically decompensated cirrhosis
- Treatment of HCV or HBV in liver transplant recipients
- Treatment of HCV or HBV > 48 weeks
- Treatment of advanced renal cell carcinoma
- Treatment of thrombocytopenia
- Treatment of human papilloma virus
- Treatment of multiple myeloma

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*P&T Review:* 2/12; 9/09; 9/05; 11/04; 5/04  
*Implementation:* 8/16, 5/14/12, 1/1/10, 5/22/08

## Phenylketonuria

### Goal(s):

- Promote safe and cost-effective therapy for the treatment of phenylketonuria.

### Length of Authorization:

- Initial: 1 to 9 months;
- Renewal: 16 weeks to 1 year

### Requires PA:

- Sapropterin and pegvaliase (pharmacy and physician administered claims)

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. Is the diagnosis funded by OHP?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #2	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by OHP
2. Is the request for renewal of therapy previously approved by the FFS system?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to <b>Renewal Criteria</b>	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
3. Is the drug prescribed by or in consultation with a specialist in metabolic disorders?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
4. Is the request for sapropterin?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Go to #8
5. Is the diagnosis tetrahydrobiopterin-(BH4-) responsive phenylketonuria?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #6	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
6. Is the patient currently compliant with a Phe-restricted diet and unable to achieve target blood phenylalanine level?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #7	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny and recommend Phe-restricted diet.
7. Is the patient's baseline blood phenylalanine level provided in the request and above the target range (see Clinical Notes)?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 2 months if initial dose is 5-10 mg/kg/day (to allow for titration to 20 mg/kg/day). Approve for 1 month if initial dose is 20 mg/kg/day (adults and children).	<b>No:</b> Request information from provider.
8. Is the request for pegvaliase?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #9	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
9. Is the patient 18 years of age or older with a diagnosis of phenylketonuria?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #10	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

## Approval Criteria

10. Is the patient's blood phenylalanine concentration documented in the request and greater than 600 µmol/L on existing management (such as dietary phenylalanine restriction or sapropterin)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #11	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness  If not documented, request information from provider.
11. Is the medication prescribed concurrently with epinephrine based on claims history or chart notes?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 9 months based on FDA-approved induction, titration, and maintenance dosing*	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

## Renewal Criteria

1. Is the request for sapropterin?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #2	<b>No:</b> Go to #4
2. Did the patient meet the target phenylalanine level set by the specialist (see Clinical Notes)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny for lack of treatment response.
3. Is the patient remaining compliant with the Phe-restricted diet?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 12 months	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny and recommend Phe-restricted diet.
4. Is the request for pegvaliase?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
5. Has there been a reduction from baseline phenylalanine concentration of 20% or greater?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 12 months	<b>No:</b> Go to #6
6. Has there been a reduction in blood phenylalanine concentration to less than or equal to 600 µmol/L?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 12 months	<b>No:</b> Go to #7
7. Is the request for a first renewal of pegvaliase therapy and the patient had been on pegvaliase 20 mg daily for at least 24 weeks?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 16 weeks for trial of maximum dose of 40 mg once daily. Continued approval at this dose requires documentation of improvement (>20% reduction from baseline or less than 600 µmol/L in phenylalanine concentration).	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny for lack of treatment response.

### **Clinical Notes:**

Target blood phenylalanine levels in the range of 120-360 µmol/L for patients in all age ranges.<sup>1</sup> In addition to the recommended Phe concentrations, a 30% or more reduction in blood Phe is often considered a clinically significant change from baseline and should occur after the initial trial.<sup>2</sup> If not, the patient is a non-responder and will not benefit from sapropterin therapy. Sapropterin doses above 20 mg/kg/day have not been studied in clinical trials.

### **\*Pegvaliase FDA-Recommended Dosage and Administration:**

<b>Treatment</b>	<b>Pegvaliase Dosage</b>	<b>Duration*</b>
Induction	2.5 mg once weekly	4 weeks
Titration	2.5 mg twice weekly	1 week
	10 mg once weekly	1 week
	10 mg twice weekly	1 week
	10 mg four times per week	1 week
	10 mg once daily	1 week
Maintenance	20 mg once daily	24 weeks
Maximum**	40 mg once daily	16 weeks***

\*Additional time may be required prior to each dosage escalation based on patient tolerability.

\*\*Individualize treatment to the lowest effective and tolerated dosage. Consider increasing to a maximum of 40 mg once daily in patients who have not achieved a response ( $\geq 20\%$  reduction in blood phenylalanine concentration from pre-treatment baseline or a blood phenylalanine concentration  $\leq 600$  µmol/L) with 20 mg once daily continuous treatment for at least 24 weeks.

\*\*\*Discontinue pegvaliase treatment in patients who have not achieved a response ( $\geq 20\%$  reduction in blood phenylalanine concentration from pre-treatment baseline or a blood phenylalanine concentration  $\leq 600$  µmol/L) after 16 weeks of continuous treatment with the maximum dosage of 40 mg once daily.

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P&T Review: 9/18 (JP); 5/16; 11/13; 9/13; 7/13  
Implementation: 11/1/2018; 8/16; 1/1/14

## Phosphate Binders

**Goal(s):**

- Promote use of preferred drugs.
- Reserve non-calcium-based phosphate binders for second-line therapy.

**Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 12 months

**Requires PA:**

- Non-preferred phosphate binders
- Preferred non-calcium-based phosphate binders

**Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Is this an OHP-funded diagnosis?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Go to #5
3. Has the patient tried or contraindicated to calcium acetate?	<b>Yes:</b> Document trial dates and/or intolerance. Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness. Recommend trial of preferred calcium acetate product.
4. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred non-calcium-based phosphate binder?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 1 year and inform prescriber of preferred alternatives in class.	<b>No:</b> Approve for 1 year or length of prescription, whichever is less.
5. RPh only: All other indications need to be evaluated as to whether use is for an OHP-funded diagnosis. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If funded and clinic provides supporting literature, approve for up to 12 months.</li> <li>• If non-funded, deny; not funded by the OHP.</li> </ul>		

*P&T Review: 1/16 (AG); 11/12; 9/12; 9/10*  
*Implementation: 5/1/16; 2/21/13*

## Pimavanserin (Nuplazid™) Safety Edit

### Goals:

- Promote safe use of pimavanserin in patients with psychosis associated with Parkinson's disease.

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 6 months

### Requires PA:

- Pimavanserin

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Is the treatment for hallucinations and/or delusions associated with Parkinson's disease?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
3. Are the symptoms likely related to a change in the patient's anti-Parkinson's medication regimen?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4  Consider slowly withdrawing medication which may have triggered psychosis.	<b>No:</b> Go to #5
4. Has withdrawal or reduction of the triggering medication resolved symptoms?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh; Deny; medical appropriateness	<b>No:</b> Go to #5
5. Is the patient on a concomitant first- or second-generation antipsychotic drug?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh; Deny; medical appropriateness	<b>No:</b> Go to #6
6. Has the patient been recently evaluated for a prolonged QTc interval?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 6 months	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh; Deny; medical appropriateness

P&T Review: 3/19 (DM); 9/18; 3/18; 01/17  
 Implementation: 4/1/17

## Pregabalin

**Goal(s):**

- Provide coverage only for funded diagnoses that are supported by the medical literature.

**Length of Authorization:**

- 90 days to lifetime (criteria-specific)

**Requires PA:**

- Pregabalin and pregabalin extended release

**Covered Alternatives**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Is the request for pregabalin immediate release?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to # 3	No: Go to #4
3. Does the patient have a diagnosis of epilepsy?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for lifetime	<b>No:</b> Go to # 4
4. Is the diagnosis an OHP-funded diagnosis with evidence supporting its use in that condition (see Table 1 below for examples)?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 90 days to lifetime	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.

**Table 1. OHP Funded Diagnosis and Evidence Supports Drug Use in Specific Indication**

Condition	Pregabalin	Pregabalin Extended-Release
Funded		
Diabetic Neuropathy	X	X
Postherpetic Neuropathy	X	X
Painful Polyneuropathy	X	
Spinal Cord Injury Pain	X	
Chemotherapy Induced Neuropathy	X	
Non-funded		
Fibromyalgia	X	

P&T Review: 1/19 (DM); 7/18; 3/17; 3/15; 5/09; 9/07; 11/07  
 Implementation: 10/18, 4/18/15; 1/11; 1/10

## Proton Pump Inhibitors (PPIs)

### Goals:

- Promote PDL options
- Restrict PPI use to patients with OHP-funded conditions

### Requires PA:

- Preferred PPIs beyond 68 days' duration
- Non-preferred PPIs

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)
- Individual components for treatment of *H. pylori* that are preferred products

### Approval Criteria

1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is the request for a preferred PPI?	Yes: Go to #5	No: Go to #3
3. Is the treating diagnosis an OHP-funded condition (see <b>Table</b> )?	Yes: Go to #4	No: Pass to RPh; deny, not funded by OHP.
4. Will the prescriber consider changing to a preferred PPI product?  Message: Preferred products are reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&T) Committee.	Yes: Inform prescriber of covered alternatives.	No: Go to #5
5. Has the patient already received 68 days of PPI therapy for either of the following diagnoses: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Esophagitis or gastro-esophageal reflux disease with or without esophagitis (K20.0-K21.9); or</li> <li>• Current <i>H. pylori</i> infection?</li> </ul>	Yes: Go to #6	No: Go to #7

<p>6. Does the patient have recurrent, symptomatic erosive esophagitis that has resulted in previous emergency department visits or hospitalizations?</p>	<p>Yes: Approve for 1 year</p>	<p>No: Go to #7</p>
<p>7. Does the patient have a history of gastrointestinal ulcer or bleed and have one or more of the following risk factors?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Age 65 years or older</li> <li>b. Requires at least 3 months of continuous daily: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Anticoagulant;</li> <li>ii. Aspirin or non-selective NSAID; or</li> <li>iii. Oral corticosteroid</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Yes: Approve for 1 year</p>	<p>No: Go to #8</p>
<p>8. Are the indication, daily dose and duration of therapy consistent with criteria outlined in the <b>Table</b>?</p> <p>Message: OHP-funded conditions are listed in the <b>Table</b>.</p>	<p>Yes: Approve for recommended duration.</p>	<p>No: Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness or not funded by OHP</p> <p>Message: Patient may only receive 8 weeks of continuous PPI therapy. RPh may approve a quantity limit of 30 doses (not to exceed the GERD dose in the <b>Table</b>) over 90 days if time is needed to taper off PPI. Note: No specific PPI taper regimen has proven to be superior. H2RAs may be helpful during the taper. Preferred H2RAs are available without PA.</p>

**Table. Dosing and Duration of PPI Therapy for OHP Funded Conditions.**

Funded OHP Conditions*	Maximum Duration	Maximum Daily Dose
<b>GERD:</b> Esophageal reflux (K219) Esophagitis (K200-K210)	8 weeks*  *Treatment beyond 8 weeks is not funded by OHP.	Dexlansoprazole 30 mg Dexlansoprazole Solu Tab 30 mg Esomeprazole 20 mg Lansoprazole 15 mg Omeprazole 20 mg Pantoprazole 40 mg Rabeprazole 20 mg
<i>H. pylori</i> Infection (B9681)	2 weeks	
Achalasia and cardiospasm (K220) Barrett's esophagus (K22.70; K22.71x) Duodenal Ulcer (K260-K269) Dyskinesia of esophagus (K224) Esophageal hemorrhage (K228) Gastritis and duodenitis (K2900-K2901; K5281) Gastroesophageal laceration-hemorrhage syndrome (K226) Gastric Ulcer (K250-K259) Gastrojejunal ulcer (K280-K289) Malignant mast cell tumors (C962) Multiple endocrine neoplasia [MEN] type I (E3121) Neoplasm of uncertain behavior of other and unspecified endocrine glands (D440; D442; D449) Peptic ulcer site unspecified (K270-K279) Perforation of Esophagus (K223) Stricture & Stenosis of Esophagus (K222) Zollinger-Ellison (E164)	1 year	Dexlansoprazole 60 mg Dexlansoprazole 30 mg† Esomeprazole 40 mg Lansoprazole 60 mg Omeprazole 40 mg Pantoprazole 80 mg Rabeprazole 40 mg

\*A current list of funded conditions is available at: <http://www.oregon.gov/oha/herc/Pages/PrioritizedList.aspx>

† Dexlansoprazole SoluTab 30 mg (given as 2 SoluTabs at once) are not recommended for healing of erosive esophagitis.

P&T / DUR Review: 5/17(KS); 1/16; 5/15; 3/15; 1/13; 2/12; 9/10; 3/10; 12/09; 5/09; 5/02; 2/02; 9/01, 9/98  
 Implementation: 6/8/16; 2/16; 10/15; 7/15; 4/15; 5/13; 5/12; 1/11; 4/10; 1/10; 9/06, 7/06, 10/04, 3/04

## Injectable Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension Agents (IV/SC)

### **Goals:**

- Restrict use to patients with pulmonary arterial hypertension (PAH) and World Health Organization (WHO) Functional Class III-IV symptoms.

### **Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 12 months

### **Requires PA:**

- Non-preferred drugs (pharmacy and physician administered claims)

### **Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is the diagnosis an OHP-funded condition?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.
3. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?  <u>Note:</u> preferred products do not require PA.	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of preferred alternatives in class.	<b>No:</b> Go to #4
4. Is there a diagnosis of pulmonary arterial hypertension (PAH) (WHO Group 1; ICD 10 I27.0)?  Note: injectable PAH medications are not FDA-approved for other forms of pulmonary hypertension.	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
5. Is the patient classified as having World Health Organization (WHO) Functional Class III-IV symptoms?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #6	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
6. Is the drug being prescribed by a pulmonologist or a cardiologist?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 12 months	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.

*P&T Review:* 9/18 (SS); 3/16; 9/12

*Implementation:* 10/13/16; 1/1/13

## Oral/Inhaled Pulmonary Hypertension Agents

### **Goals:**

- Restrict use to appropriate patients with pulmonary arterial hypertension (PAH) or chronic thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension and World Health Organization (WHO) Functional Class II-IV symptoms.
- Restrict use to conditions funded by the Oregon Health Plan (OHP). Note: erectile dysfunction is not funded by the OHP.

### **Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 12 months

### **Requires PA:**

- Non-preferred drugs

### **Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is this an OHP-funded diagnosis?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.
3. Is the drug being prescribed by a pulmonologist or cardiologist?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
4. Is there a diagnosis of pulmonary arterial hypertension (PAH) (WHO Group 1; ICD10 I27.0)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #9	<b>No:</b> Go to #5
5. Is there a diagnosis of chronic thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension (WHO Group 4; ICD10 I27.24)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #6	<b>No:</b> Go to #11
6. Is the request for riociguat (Adempas®)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #7	<b>No:</b> Go to #11
7. Is there documentation that the patient has a medical history of PAH associated with idiopathic interstitial pneumonias?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.	<b>No:</b> Go to #8
8. Is the patient classified as having World Health Organization (WHO) Functional Class II-IV symptoms?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 12 months	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
9. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?  <u>Note:</u> preferred products do not require PA.	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of preferred alternatives in class.	<b>No:</b> Go to #10

## Approval Criteria

10. Is the patient classified as having World Health Organization (WHO) Functional Class II-IV symptoms?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 12 months	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
11. RPh Only: Prescriber must provide supporting literature for use.	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for length of treatment.	<b>No:</b> Deny; not funded by the OHP

*P&T Review:* 9/18 (SS); 3/16; 7/14; 3/14; 2/12; 9/10  
*Implementation:* 11/1/2018; 10/13/16; 5/1/16; 5/14/12; 1/24/12; 1/1/11

## Repository Corticotropin Injection

**Goal(s):**

- Restrict use to patient populations in which corticotropin has demonstrated safety and effectiveness.

**Length of Authorization:**

- 4 weeks

**Requires PA:**

- Repository Corticotropin Injection (H.P. Acthar Gel for Injection)

**Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Is the diagnosis monotherapy for infantile spasms in infants and children under 2 years of age?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve up to 4 weeks (2 weeks of treatment and 2-week taper)	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
3. Is the diagnosis for acute exacerbation or relapse of multiple sclerosis?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
4. Has the patient tried and been unable to tolerate intravenous methylprednisolone or high-dose oral methylprednisolone?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve up to 5 weeks (3 weeks of treatment, followed by 2-week taper).	<b>No:</b> Go to #5

## Approval Criteria

<p>5. Is the prescription for adjunctive therapy for short-term administration in corticosteroid-responsive conditions, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The following rheumatic disorders: psoriatic arthritis, rheumatoid arthritis, juvenile rheumatoid arthritis or ankylosing spondylitis; <b>OR</b></li> <li>• The following collagen diseases: systemic lupus erythematosus or systemic dermatomyositis; <b>OR</b></li> <li>• Dermatologic diseases such as erythema multiforme or Stevens-Johnson syndrome; <b>OR</b></li> <li>• Ophthalmic diseases such as keratitis, iritis, uveitis, optic neuritis, or chorioretinitis; <b>OR</b></li> <li>• For the treatment of respiratory diseases, including symptomatic sarcoidosis or for treatment of an edematous state?</li> </ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #6</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
<p>6. Is there a contraindication, intolerance, or therapeutic failure with at least one intravenous corticosteroid?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for 6 months.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.</p>

P&T Review: 11/16 (DM); 5/13  
 Implementation: 1/1/17; 1/1/14

## Rifaximin (Xifaxan®)

### Goal:

- Restrict use of rifaximin to OHP-funded conditions and in populations in which the drug has demonstrated efficacy.

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 12 months

### Requires PA:

- Rifaximin

### Covered Alternatives:

- Preferred alternatives listed at [www.orpd.org/drugs/](http://www.orpd.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is the treating diagnosis prevention or treatment of hepatic encephalopathy (K7290, K7291)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by OHP or for medical appropriateness
3. Is the patient currently managed with a regularly scheduled daily regimen of lactulose?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Go to 4
4. Does the patient have a contraindication to lactulose?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh Deny; medical appropriateness  Note: studies demonstrate effectiveness of rifaximin as add-on therapy to lactulose.
5. Is the patient currently prescribed a benzodiazepine drug?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #6	<b>No:</b> Approve for up to 12 months
6. Is the patient tapering off the benzodiazepine?  Note: tapering process may be several months	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness  Note: studies explicitly excluded use of benzodiazepines and benzodiazepine-like drugs because of their risk for precipitating an episode of hepatic encephalopathy.

P&T/DUR Review: 7/15; 5/15 (AG)  
 Implementation 10/15; 8/15

## Risperdal® Consta® Quantity Limit

### Goal(s):

- To ensure the use of the appropriate billing quantity. This is a quantity initiative, **not a clinical initiative**. The vial contains 2 mL. The dispensing pharmacy must submit the quantity as 1 vial and not 2 mL.

### Length of Authorization:

- Date of service or 12 months, depending on criteria

### Requires PA:

- Risperdal® Consta®

### Approval Criteria

1. Is the quantity being submitted by the pharmacy expressed correctly as # syringes?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #2	<b>No:</b> Have pharmacy correct to number of syringes instead of number of mL.
2. Is the amount requested above 2 syringes per 18 days for one of the following reasons? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medication lost</li> <li>Medication dose contaminated</li> <li>Increase in dose or decrease in dose</li> <li>Medication stolen</li> <li>Admission to a long term care facility</li> <li>Any other reasonable explanation?</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for date of service only (use appropriate PA reason)	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
3. Is the pharmacy entering the dose correctly and is having to dispense more than 2 syringes per 18 days due to the directions being given on a weekly basis instead of every other week.	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 1 year (use appropriate PA reason)	<b>Note:</b> This medication should NOT be denied for clinical reasons.

P&T Review: 9/18 (DM); 9/17; 9/16; 5/05  
 Implementation: 10/13/16; 11/18/04

## Roflumilast

### **Goals:**

- Decrease the number of COPD exacerbations in patients with severe COPD associated with chronic bronchitis and with a history of exacerbations.

### **Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 12 months

### **Covered Alternatives:**

- Preferred alternatives listed at <http://www.orpd.org/drugs/>

### Approval Criteria

1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Is the diagnosis an OHP-funded diagnosis?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not covered by the OHP
3. Does the patient have documented severe (GOLD 3) or very severe (GOLD 4) COPD?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny for medical appropriateness
4. Does the patient have a diagnosis of chronic bronchitis (ICD10 J410-J42; J440-J449)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny for medical appropriateness
5. Does the patient have documented prior COPD exacerbations?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #6	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny for medical appropriateness
6. Does the patient have an active prescription for a long-acting bronchodilator (long-acting anticholinergic agent or long-acting beta-agonist) and inhaled corticosteroid (ICS)?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; recommend trial of preferred long-acting bronchodilator and ICS

P&T/DUR Review: 9/15 (KS); 5/13; 2/12  
 Implementation: 10/15; 1/14; 5/12

## Sacubitril/Valsartan (Entresto™)

### Goal(s):

- Restrict use of sacubitril/valsartan in populations and at doses in which the drug has demonstrated efficacy.
- Encourage use of beta-blockers with demonstrated evidence of mortality reduction in heart failure with reduced ejection fraction.

### Length of Authorization:

- 60 days to 12 months

### Requires PA:

- Sacubitril/valsartan (Entresto™)

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. Is this a request for continuation of therapy previously approved by the FFS program?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to Renewal Criteria	<b>No:</b> Go to #2
2. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
3. Does the patient have stable New York Heart Association Class II or III heart failure with reduced ejection fraction less than 40% (LVEF <40%)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
4. Has the patient tolerated a minimum daily dose an ACE-inhibitor or ARB listed in Table 1 for at least 30 days?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
5. Is the patient currently on a maximally tolerated dose of carvedilol, sustained-release metoprolol succinate, or bisoprolol; and if not, is there a documented intolerance or contraindication to each of these beta-blockers?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 60 days	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
<i>Note: the above listed beta-blockers have evidence for mortality reduction in chronic heart failure at target doses and are recommended by national and international heart failure guidelines.<sup>1,2</sup> Carvedilol and metoprolol succinate are preferred agents on the PDL.</i>		

Renewal Criteria		
1. Is the patient currently taking sacubitril/valsartan at the target dose of 97/103 mg 2-times daily?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh and go to #2
2. What is the clinical reason the drug has not been titrated to the target dose of 97/103 mg 2-times daily?	Document rationale and approve for up to 60 days. Prior authorization required every 60 days until target dose achieved.	

Table 1. Minimum Daily Doses of ACE-inhibitors or ARBs Required.<sup>1,2</sup>

ACE-inhibitor	Angiotensin-2 Receptor Blocker (ARB)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Captopril</li> <li>• Enalapril</li> <li>• Lisinopril</li> <li>• Ramipril</li> <li>• Trandolapril</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 50 mg TID</li> <li>• 10 mg BID</li> <li>• 20 mg QDay</li> <li>• 5 mg BID</li> <li>• 4 mg QDay</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Candesartan</li> <li>• Losartan</li> <li>• Valsartan</li> <li>•</li> <li>•</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 32 mg QDay</li> <li>• 150 mg QDay</li> <li>• 160 mg BID</li> <li>•</li> <li>•</li> </ul>
Abbreviations: BID = twice daily; QDay = once daily; mg = milligrams; TID = three times daily.	
Notes:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Patients must achieve a minimum daily dose of one of the drugs listed for at least 30 days in order to improve chances of tolerability to the target maintenance dose of sacubitril/valsartan 97/103 mg 2-times daily.<sup>3</sup></li> <li>• Valsartan formulated in the target maintenance dose of sacubitril valsartan 97/103 mg 2-times daily is bioequivalent to valsartan 160 mg 2-times daily.<sup>4</sup></li> <li>• ACE-inhibitors and ARBs listed have demonstrated efficacy in heart failure with or without myocardial infarction.<sup>1,2</sup></li> <li>• Target daily doses of other ACE-inhibitors and ARBs for heart failure have not been established.<sup>1,2</sup></li> <li>• It is advised that patients previously on an ACE-inhibitor have a 36-hour washout period before initiation of sacubitril/valsartan to reduce risk of angioedema.<sup>3,4</sup></li> </ul>	

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P&T / DUR Review: 05/17(DM), 09/15  
 Implementation: 10/13/16; 10/1/15

## Sedatives

### Goal(s):

- Restrict use of sedatives to OHP-funded conditions. Treatment of uncomplicated insomnia is not funded; insomnia contributing to covered co-morbid conditions is funded.
- Prevent concomitant use of sedatives, benzodiazepines, and opioids.
- Restrict long-term sedative use to due to insufficient evidence and to limit adverse effects.
- Limit zolpidem use the maximum FDA recommended daily dose based on gender.

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 12 months or lifetime (criteria specific)

### Requires PA:

- All sedatives
- Concomitant use of more than one benzodiazepine, more than one non-benzodiazepine sedative, or the combination of a benzodiazepine and non-benzodiazepine sedative in the prior 30 days
- Sedatives that exceed a total quantity of 30 doses within 60 days

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

### Zolpidem Daily Quantity Limits

Generic	Brand	Max Daily Dose	
		Male	Female
Zolpidem IR	Ambien	10 mg (initial and maximum dose)	5 mg (initial maximum dose) 10 mg (maximum dose)
Zolpidem ER	Ambien CR	12.5 mg (initial and maximum dose)	6.25 mg (initial maximum dose) 12.5 mg (maximum dose)

### Approval Criteria

1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is the request for zolpidem at a higher dose than listed in the quantity limit chart?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
3. Is the request for a non-preferred product and will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?  Message: Preferred products are evidence based and reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the P&T Committee.	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of preferred alternatives in class.	<b>No:</b> Go to #4
4. Is the patient being treated under palliative care services (ICD10 Z51.5) with a life-threatening illness or severe advanced illness expected to progress toward dying?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for lifetime.	<b>No:</b> Go to #5

Approval Criteria		
5. Does patient have diagnosis of insomnia with obstructive sleep apnea?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #6	<b>No:</b> Go to #7
6. Is patient on CPAP?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness. Sedative/hypnotics, due to depressant effect, are contraindicated.
7. Is the patient being treated for co-morbid: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Depression;</li> <li>• Anxiety or panic disorder; or</li> <li>• Bipolar disorder?</li> </ul> <b>AND</b>  Is there an existing claim history for treatment of the co-morbid condition (e.g., antidepressant, lithium, lamotrigine, antipsychotic, or other appropriate mental health drug)?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months.	<b>No:</b> Go to #8
8. Has the patient been treated with another non-benzodiazepine sedative, benzodiazepine, or opioid within the past 30 days?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #9	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh; Go to #10
9. Is this a switch in sedative therapy due to intolerance, allergy or ineffectiveness?	<b>Yes:</b> Document reason for switch and approve duplication for 30 days.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
10. RPh only: Is diagnosis being treated a funded condition and is there medical evidence of benefit for the prescribed sedative?	<b>Funded:</b> Document supporting literature and approve up to 6 months with subsequent approvals dependent on follow-up and documented response.	<b>Not Funded:</b> Go to #11
11. RPh only: Is this a request for continuation therapy for a patient with a history of chronic benzodiazepine use where discontinuation would be difficult or inadvisable?	<b>Yes:</b> Document length of treatment and last follow-up date. Approve for up to 12 months.	<b>No:</b> Deny; medical appropriateness

P&T/DUR Review: 7/18 (JP); 3/17; 11/20/14, 3/27/14, 5/18/06, 2/23/06, 11/10/05, 9/15/05, 2/24/04, 2/5/02, 9/7/01  
Implementation: 8/15/18; 1/1/15, 7/1/14; 1/1/07, 7/1/06, 11/15/05

## Sodium-Glucose Cotransporter-2 Inhibitors (SGLT-2 Inhibitors)

### **Goal(s):**

- Promote cost-effective and safe step-therapy for management of type 2 diabetes mellitus (T2DM).

### **Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 6 months

### **Requires PA:**

- All SGLT-2 inhibitors

### **Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. Is this a request for renewal of a previously approved prior authorization?	<b>Yes:</b> Go the <b>Renewal Criteria</b>	<b>No:</b> Go to #2
2. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
3. Does the patient have a diagnosis of T2DM?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
4. Has the patient tried and failed metformin and a sulfonylurea, have contraindications to these treatments or is requesting a SGLT-2 inhibitor to be used with metformin and a sulfonylurea?  (document contraindication, if any)	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny and recommend trial of metformin or sulfonylurea. See below for metformin titration schedule.
5. Is the request for the following treatments (including combination products) with an associated estimated glomerular filtration rate (eGFR): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Canagliflozin and eGFR &lt;45 mL/min/ 1.73 m<sup>2</sup>, or</li> <li>• Empagliflozin and eGFR &lt;45 mL/min/ 1.73 m<sup>2</sup>, or</li> <li>• Dapagliflozin and eGFR &lt;60 mL/min/ 1.73 m<sup>2</sup>, or</li> <li>• Ertugliflozin and eGFR &lt;60 mL/min/ 1.73 m<sup>2</sup>?</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness	<b>No:</b> Go to #6

## Approval Criteria

6. Has the patient tried and failed (unable to maintain goal A1c) all of the following drugs, or have contraindications to all of these drugs?
1. Insulin
  2. Thiazolidinedione
  3. DPP-4 inhibitor
  4. GLP-1 receptor agonist

**Yes:** Approve for up to 6 months

**No:** Pass to RPh. Deny and require a trial of insulin, thiazolidinedione, DPP-4 inhibitor, and GLP-1 agonist.

## Renewal Criteria

Is the request for the following treatments (including combination products) with an associated estimated glomerular filtration rate (eGFR):

- Canagliflozin and eGFR <45 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>, or
- Empagliflozin and eGFR <45 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>, or
- Dapagliflozin and eGFR <60 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>, or
- Ertugliflozin and eGFR <60 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>?

**Yes:** Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

**No:** Approve for up to 6 months

## Initiating Metformin

1. Begin with low-dose metformin (500 mg) taken once or twice per day with meals (breakfast and/or dinner) or 850 mg once per day.
2. After 5-7 days, if gastrointestinal side effects have not occurred, advance dose to 850 mg, or two 500 mg tablets, twice per day (medication to be taken before breakfast and/or dinner).
3. If gastrointestinal side effects appear with increasing doses, decrease to previous lower dose and try to advance the dose at a later time.
4. The maximum effective dose can be up to 1,000 mg twice per day but is often 850 mg twice per day. Modestly greater effectiveness has been observed with doses up to about 2,500 mg/day. Gastrointestinal side effects may limit the dose that can be used.

Nathan, et al. Medical management of hyperglycemia in Type 2 Diabetes: a consensus algorithm for the initiation and adjustment of therapy. *Diabetes Care*. 2008; 31;1-11.

*P&T Review:* 7/18 (KS), 9/17; 9/16; 3/16; 9/15; 1/15; 9/14; 9/13  
*Implementation:* 8/15/18; 10/13/16; 2/3/15; 1/1/14

## Skeletal Muscle Relaxants

### Goal(s):

- Cover non-preferred drugs only for funded conditions.
- Restrict carisoprodol to short-term use due to lack of long-term studies to assess safety or efficacy and high potential for abuse.

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 3 - 6 months

### Requires PA:

- Non-preferred agents

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Is the diagnosis funded by the Oregon Health Plan?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP
3. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?  Message: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preferred products do not require PA</li> <li>• Preferred products are evidence-based reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&amp;T) Committee.</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class	<b>No:</b> Go to #4
4. Is drug requested carisoprodol?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Approve for up to 3 months
5. Has an opioid been prescribed within the past 30 days?	<b>Yes:</b> Deny; medical appropriateness	<b>No:</b> Go to #6

## Approval Criteria

<p>6. Does total quantity of carisoprodol exceed 56 tablets in 90 days?</p> <p>From claims, document product, dose, directions, and amount used during last 90 days.</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #7</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Approve for up to 3 months</p>
<p>7. Does patient have a terminal illness (e.g. metastatic cancer, end stage Parkinson's disease, ALS)?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve for 6 months.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Go to #8</p>
<p>8. Pharmacist's statement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Carisoprodol cannot be approved for long term usage.</li> <li>• Patients are limited to 56 tablets in a 90 day period.</li> <li>• It is recommended that the patient undergo a "taper" of the carisoprodol product of which a supply may be authorized for this to occur.</li> <li>• The amount and length of taper depends upon the patient's condition. Does the patient meet one or more of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ &gt;65 years of age; or</li> <li>○ renal failure; or</li> <li>○ hepatic failure; or</li> <li>○ take &gt; 1400 mg per day?</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Document reason and approve long taper:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Authorize 18 tablets</li> <li>• Reduce dose over 9 days</li> <li>• 350 mg TID X 3 days, then</li> <li>• 350 mg BID X 3 days, then</li> <li>• 350 mg daily x 3 days then evaluate</li> </ul>	<p><b>No:</b> Approve short taper:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Authorize 10 tablets</li> <li>• Reduce dose over 4 days</li> <li>• 350 mg TID x 1 day, then</li> <li>• 350 mg BID x 2 days, then</li> <li>• 350 mg daily x1 day, then evaluate</li> </ul>

P&T Review: 3/17 (DM); 3/17; 11/14; 9/09; 2/06; 2/04; 11/01; 2/01; 9/00; 5/00; 2/00  
Implementation: 4/1/17; 1/1/15, 1/1/14, 1/1/10, 11/18/04

## Smoking Cessation

### **Goal(s):**

- Promote use that is consistent with National Guidelines and medical evidence.
- Promote use of high value products

### **Length of Authorization:**

- 3-6 months

### **Requires PA:**

- Non-preferred drugs
- Nicotine replacement therapy (NRT) for more than 6 months in the absence of behavioral counseling
- Varenicline treatment for more than 12 weeks

### **Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Is the diagnosis for tobacco dependence (ICD10 F17200)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
3. Is the request for a preferred NRT product?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Go to #4
4. Is the request for varenicline?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Go to #7
5. Has patient quit?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve NRT for 6 additional months or approve varenicline for 12 additional weeks	<b>No:</b> Go to #6
6. Is the patient enrolled in a smoking cessation behavioral counseling program [e.g. Quit Line at: 800-QUIT-NOW (800-784-8669)].	<b>Yes:</b> Approve NRT for 6 additional months or approve varenicline for 12 additional weeks	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

## Approval Criteria

7. Will the prescriber change to a preferred product?

**Message:**

- Preferred products do not require a PA for initial treatment.
- Preferred products are evidence-based reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&T) Committee.

**Yes:** Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class

**No:** Approve treatment for up to 6 months

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*P&T Review:* 7/16 (MH); 4/12  
*Implementation:* 8/16, 7/23/12

## Solriamfetol Safety Edit

### Goal(s):

- Promote safe use of solriamfetol in patients with narcolepsy and obstructive sleep apnea.

### Length of Authorization:

- 6 to 12 months

### Requires PA:

- Solriamfetol

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is this an FDA approved indication?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
3. Is the diagnosis funded by OHP?  Non-funded diagnoses: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Shift work disorder (ICD10 G4720-4729; G4750-4769; G478)</li> <li>Unspecified hypersomnia (ICD10 G4710)</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.
4. Is the request for continuation of therapy at the maintenance dose previously approved by the FFS program?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to <b>Renewal Criteria</b>	<b>No:</b> Go to #5
5. Will prescriber consider a preferred alternative?	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of preferred alternatives (e.g., preferred methylphenidate)	<b>No:</b> Go to #6

## Approval Criteria

6. Is the patient 18 years of age or older?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #7	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness;  Recommend preferred alternative methylphenidate. Providers for patients 7 to 17 years of age may also submit a request for sodium oxybate as it is FDA- approved for narcolepsy in this age group.
7. Is the drug prescribed by or in consultation with an appropriate specialist for the condition (e.g., sleep specialist, neurologist, or pulmonologist)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #8	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
8. Is the request for less than or equal to 150 mg daily?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #9	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
9. Is the request for concurrent use with a monoamine oxidase inhibitor?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness	<b>No:</b> Go to #10
10. Is there baseline documentation of fatigue severity using a validated measure (e.g., Epworth score, Brief Fatigue Inventory, or other validated measure)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #11  Document baseline scale and score	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
11. Is there documentation of a recent cardiovascular risk assessment (including blood pressure) with physician attestation that benefits of therapy outweigh risks?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #12  Document recent blood pressure within the last 3 months and physician attestation of cardiovascular risk assessment	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness  Use of solriamfetol is not recommended in patients with uncontrolled hypertension or serious heart problems.
12. Does the patient have a diagnosis of end stage renal disease?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness	<b>No:</b> Go to #13

Approval Criteria		
13. Is the request for treatment of narcolepsy?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 6 months	<b>No:</b> Go to #14
14. Is the request for treatment of obstructive sleep apnea and has the patient been stable and adherent to primary OSA treatment (such as CPAP or other primary therapy) for at least one month?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 6 months	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

Renewal Criteria		
1. Is the request for treatment of obstructive sleep apnea?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #2	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
2. Is the patient adherent to primary OSA treatment (e.g., CPAP) based on chart notes?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
3. Is there documentation of a recent blood pressure evaluation (within the last 3 months)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
4. Is there documentation of clinical benefit and tolerability from baseline?  The same clinical measure used to diagnose excessive daytime sleepiness or fatigue is recommended to document clinical benefit.	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

P&T/DUR Review: 7/19 (SS)  
Implementation: 8/19/19

# Stiripentol

**Goal(s):**

- To ensure appropriate drug use and restrict to indications supported by medical literature.

**Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 12 months

**Requires PA:**

- Stiripentol capsules and powder for oral suspension

**Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is the request for renewal of therapy previously approved by the FFS system?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to <b>Renewal Criteria</b>	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
3. Is the request for the FDA approved indication of Dravet syndrome in patients 2 years of age and older taking clobazam?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
4. Are baseline white blood cell (WBC) and platelet counts on file within the past 3 months?  <u>Note:</u> Labs should be assessed every six months while receiving stiripentol therapy.	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 12 months  Document results here: Date of lab work _____ WBC _____ Platelets _____	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

Renewal Criteria		
1. Are recent WBC and platelet counts documented in patient records?  <u>Note:</u> Labs should be assessed every six months while receiving stiripentol therapy.	<b>Yes:</b> Go to # 2  Document results here: Date of lab work _____ WBC _____ Platelets _____	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

## Renewal Criteria

2. Has seizure frequency decreased since beginning therapy?

**Yes:** Approve for 12 months

**No:** Pass to RPh.  
Deny for lack of treatment response.

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*P&T/DUR Review: 1/19 (DM)  
Implementation: 3/1/2019*

## Tesamorelin (Egrifta®)

### Goal(s):

- Restrict to indications funded by the OHP and supported by medical literature.

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 12 months

### Requires PA:

- Tesamorelin (Egrifta®)

### Covered Alternatives:

- No preferred alternatives

### Approval Criteria

1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is the indicated treatment for reduction of excess abdominal fat in HIV-infected patients with lipodystrophy (ICD10 E881)?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
3. RPh only: All other diagnoses must be evaluated as to funding level on OHP and evidence for must be provided by the prescriber that supports use. Evidence will be forwarded to Oregon DMAP for consideration.		

*P&T/DUR Review:* 9/15 (AG); 4/12  
*Implementation:* 10/15; 7/12

## Testosterone

### Goal(s):

- Restrict use to medically appropriate conditions funded under the Oregon Health Plan (use for sexual dysfunction or body-building is not covered)

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 12 months

### Requires PA:

- All testosterone products

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

### Approval Criteria

1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is the medication requested for AIDS-related cachexia?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #8	<b>No:</b> Go to #3

## Approval Criteria

<p>3. Is the medication requested for one of the following diagnoses?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Primary Hypogonadism (congenital or acquired): defined as testicular failure due to such conditions as cryptorchidism, bilateral torsion, orchitis, vanishing testis syndrome, orchidectomy, Klinefelter's syndrome, chemotherapy, trauma, or toxic damage from alcohol or heavy metals OR</li><li>• Hypogonadotropic Hypogonadism (congenital or acquired): as defined by idiopathic gonadotropin or luteinizing hormone-releasing hormone (LHRH) deficiency, or pituitary-hypothalamic injury from tumors, trauma or radiation</li></ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #4</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #6</p>
<p>4. Is there documentation of 2 morning (between 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.) tests (at least 1 week apart) demonstrating low testosterone levels at baseline as defined by the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Total serum testosterone level less than 300ng/dL (10.4nmol/L); OR</li><li>• Total serum testosterone level less than 350ng/dL (12.1nmol/L) AND free serum testosterone level less than 50pg/mL (or 0.174nmol/L)</li></ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #5</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Deny; medical appropriateness</p>

## Approval Criteria

<p>5. Is there documentation based on submitted chart notes of any of the following diagnoses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A recent major cardiovascular event (i.e., myocardial infarction, stroke or acute coronary syndrome) within the past 6 months</li><li>• Heart failure with uncontrolled symptoms (i.e., NYHA Class III-IV, presence of edema, or evidence of fluid retention)</li><li>• Benign prostate hyperplasia with uncontrolled symptoms or presence of severe lower urinary tract symptoms (i.e., frequent symptoms of incomplete emptying, increased frequency, intermittency, urgency, weak stream, straining, or nocturia)</li><li>• Breast cancer</li><li>• Prostate cancer (known or suspected) or elevated PSA with prior use of testosterone</li><li>• Untreated obstructive sleep apnea with symptoms</li><li>• Elevated hematocrit (&gt;50%)</li></ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Deny; medical appropriateness</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #8</p>
<p>6. Is the medication requested for gender dysphoria (ICD10 F642, F641)?</p>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #7</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Go to #9</p>

## Approval Criteria

<p>7. Have <b>all</b> of the following criteria been met?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Patient has the capacity to make fully informed decisions and to give consent for treatment; and</li> <li>• If patient &lt;18 years of age, the prescriber is a pediatric endocrinologist; and</li> <li>• The prescriber agrees criteria in the Guideline Notes on the OHP List of Prioritized Services have been met.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #8</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
<p>8. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?</p> <p>Message:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preferred products do not require a co-pay.</li> <li>• Preferred products are evidence-based reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Oregon Pharmacy &amp; Therapeutics (P&amp;T) Committee.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class and approve for up to 12 months.</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Approve for up to 12 months.</p>
<p>9. RPh only: all other indications need to be evaluated to see if funded under the OHP.</p> <p>Note: Testosterone should not be prescribed to patients who have any contraindicated diagnoses listed in question #5.</p>	<p>If funded and prescriber provides supporting literature: Approve for up to 12 months.</p>	<p>If not funded: Deny; not funded by the OHP</p>

P&T Review: 11/18 (SS); 11/15; 2/12; 9/10; 2/06; 2/01; 9/00  
 Implementation: 1/1/19; 5/1/16; 1/1/16; 7/31/14; 5/14/12, 1/24/12, 1/1/11, 9/1/06

## Thrombocytopenia Treatments

**Goal(s):**

- The goal of this initiative is to ensure thrombopoietin receptor agonists (TPOs) and tyrosine kinase inhibitors are used for their appropriate indications and for recommended treatment durations.

**Length of Authorization:**

- Up to 12 months

**Requires PA:**

- Non-preferred drugs

**Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is this an FDA approved indication?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
3. Is the diagnosis funded by OHP?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.
4. Is this for a renewal therapy for a patient previously prescribed fostamatinib?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to Renewal Criteria	<b>No:</b> Go to #5
5. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?  Message: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Preferred products do not require a PA.</li> <li>Preferred products are evidence-based reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Oregon Pharmacy &amp; Therapeutics Committee.</li> </ul>	<b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class.	<b>No:</b> Go to #6

## Approval Criteria

6. Is the request for avatrombopag (Doptelet®) or lusutrombopag (Mulpleta®) in a patient with chronic liver disease who is scheduled to undergo a procedure?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for a maximum of 5 days for avatrombopag and for a maximum of 7 days for lusutrombopag.	<b>No:</b> Go to #7
7. Is the request for fostamatinib (Tavalisse™) and the patients has failed, or has contraindications to romiplostim and eltrombopag?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 3 months.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; recommend trial of treatment(s) recommended in #7.

## Renewal Criteria

1. Is the renewal request for fostamatinib and the patient has had liver function tests within the previous 30 days?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 12 months.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Advise provider to monitor liver function tests as recommended by prescribing materials.
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P&T/DUR Review: 1/2019 (KS)  
Implementation: 3/1/2019

## Topiramate

**Goal(s):**

- Approve topiramate only for funded diagnoses which are supported by the medical literature (e.g. epilepsy and migraine prophylaxis).

**Length of Authorization:**

- 90 days to lifetime

**Requires PA:**

- Non-preferred topiramate products

**Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code	
2. Does the patient have diagnosis of epilepsy?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for lifetime (until 12-31-2036)	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
3. Does the patient have a diagnosis of migraine?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 90 days with subsequent approvals dependent on documented positive response for lifetime*	<b>No:</b> Go to #4
4. Does the patient have a diagnosis of bipolar affective disorder or schizoaffective disorder?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Go to #6
5. Has the patient tried or are they contraindicated to at least two of the following drugs? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lithium</li> <li>• Valproate and derivatives</li> <li>• Lamotrigine</li> <li>• Carbamazepine</li> <li>• Atypical antipsychotic</li> </ul> Document drugs tried or contraindications.	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 90 days with subsequent approvals dependent on documented positive response for lifetime approval.*	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh; Deny; medical appropriateness. Recommend trial of 2 covered alternatives.
6. Is the patient using the medication for weight loss? (Obesity ICD10 E669; E6601)?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Go to #7

## Approval Criteria

7. All other indications need to be evaluated for appropriateness:
- Neuropathic pain
  - Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)
  - Substance abuse

Use is off-label: Deny; medical appropriateness. Other treatments should be tried as appropriate. Use is unfunded: Deny; not funded by the OHP. If clinically warranted: Deny; medical appropriateness. Use clinical judgment to approve for 1 month to allow time for appeal. MESSAGE: "Although the request has been denied for long-term use because it is considered medically inappropriate, it has also been APPROVED for one month to allow time for appeal."

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*P&T Review:* 5/19 (KS); 1/19 (DM); 7/18; 3/18; 3/17; 7/16; 3/15; 2/12; 9/07; 11/07  
*Implementation:* 4/18/15; 5/12, 1/12

## Vesicular Monoamine Transporter 2 (VMAT2) Inhibitors

**Goal(s):**

- Promote safe use of VMAT2 inhibitors in adult patients.
- Promote use that is consistent with medical evidence and product labeling.

**Length of Authorization:**

- Initial: Up to 2 months
- Renewal: Up to 12 months

**Requires PA:**

- All VMAT2 inhibitors

**Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code. Go to #2	
2. Is the treatment for an OHP-funded condition?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by OHP
3. Is the request for continuation of vesicular monoamine transporter 2 (VMAT2) inhibitor therapy previously approved by FFS criteria (patient has completed 2-month trial)?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to <b>Renewal Criteria</b>	<b>No:</b> Go to #4
4. Is the request for tetrabenazine or deutetabenazine in a patient 18 and older with a diagnosis of chorea as a result of Huntington’s disease?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Go to #7
5. Does the patient have a baseline total maximal chorea score of 8 or higher?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #6  Document baseline score: _____	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
6. Has it been determined that the patient does not have uncontrolled depression or at risk of violent or suicidal behavior?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #11	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

Approval Criteria		
7. Is the request for deutetrabenazine in a patient 18 and older with a diagnosis of moderate to severe tardive dyskinesia?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #8  Document baseline modified AIMS* score: _____	<b>No:</b> Go to #9
8. Has it been determined that the patient does not have uncontrolled depression or at risk of violent or suicidal behavior?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #10	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
9. Is the request for valbenazine in a patient 18 and older with a diagnosis of moderate to severe tardive dyskinesia?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #10  Document baseline modified AIMS* score: _____	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
10. Is the medication being prescribed by, or in consultation with, a neurologist or psychiatrist?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #11	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
11. Has the patient recently been evaluated and determined to not be at risk for a prolonged QT interval?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 2 months.  Documented evidence of benefit required for renewal consideration (see renewal criteria).	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

\* The dyskinesia score for the modified Abnormal Involuntary Movement Scale (AIMS) for numbers 1-7

Renewal Criteria		
1. Is the request for a renewal of valbenazine or deutetrabenazine in a patient with tardive dyskinesia?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #2	<b>No:</b> Go to #3
2. Has the patient been taking the requested VMAT2 inhibitor for >2 months and has there been documented evidence of improvement by a reduction in AIMS dyskinesia score (items 1-7) by at least 50%?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
3. Is the request for tetrabenazine or deutetrabenazine in a patient with chorea as a result of Huntington's disease?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

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4. Has the patient been taking the requested VMAT2 inhibitor for >2 months and has there been documented evidence of improvement in total maximal chorea score of at least 2 points from baseline?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
5. Has it been determined that the mental status of the patient is stable and there is no indication of uncontrolled depression or risk of violent or suicidal behavior?	<b>Yes:</b> Approve for 12 months	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

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## Voretigene neparvovec (Luxturna)

### Goal(s):

- Restrict use of voretigene neparvovec to patients with retinal dystrophy associated with biallelic RPE65 mutations

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 6 months

### Requires PA:

- Voretigene neparvovec (applies to both physician administered and pharmacy claims)

### Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at [www.orpdl.org/drugs/](http://www.orpdl.org/drugs/)

### Approval Criteria

1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is the diagnosis funded by OHP?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #3	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.
3. Is the request from a provider at a center of excellence who is trained for and following administration and treatment protocols for voretigene neparvovec?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #4	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
4. Is the patient greater than 1 year of age?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #5	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
5. Has the patient been previously enrolled in clinical trials of gene therapy for retinal dystrophy RPE65 mutations or been previously been treated with gene therapy for retinal dystrophy in the eye(s) receiving treatment?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness	<b>No:</b> Go to #6
6. Does the patient have other pre-existing eye conditions or complicating systemic diseases that would eventually lead to irreversible vision loss and prevent the patient from receiving full benefit from treatment (eg. severe diabetic retinopathy)?	<b>Yes:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness	<b>No:</b> Go to #7

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7. Does the patient have retinal dystrophy with confirmed biallelic RPE65 mutations?	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #8</p> <p>Document genetic testing</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
8. Does the patient have a visual acuity of at least 20/800 OR have remaining light perception in the eye(s) receiving treatment?	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #9</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
9. Does the patient have visual acuity of less than 20/60 OR a visual field of less than 20 degrees?	<p><b>Yes:</b> Go to #10</p> <p>Document baseline visual function</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>
10. Does the provider document presence of neural retina and a retinal thickness >100 microns within the posterior pole as assessed by optical coherence tomography with AND have sufficient viable retinal cells as assessed by the treating physician?	<p><b>Yes:</b> Approve up to 2 doses for up to 6 months.</p> <p>Document retinal thickness and physician attestation</p>	<p><b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness</p>

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