

Drug Prior Authorization Committee Meeting

Date Time Location

March 17, 2022 10:00am – 3:00pm (CST)

Department of Natural Resources 1101 Riverside Dr, Jefferson City, MO 65101 and WebEx

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Committee Members Present:

Conrad Balcer, DO, Chair J.K. Sturgeon, PharmD, BCPS Laura Kingsley, PharmD Matthew Stinson, MD Maya Moody, DO, FAAP Morgan Sperry, PharmD

Committee Members Absent:

Angeline Stanislaus, MD

MO HealthNet Staff Present:

Joshua Moore, PharmD, Director of Pharmacy
Mark Roaseau, R.Ph, Clinical Pharmacist
Angela Wilson, Pharmacy Operations
Manager
Olivia Rush, PharmD, Program Integrity
Pharmacist
Elizabeth Sissom, RN, Clinical Management
Nikki Ashley, Pharmacy Program Specialist
Carmen Burton, Administrative Assistant
Timothy Kling, MD, Acting Medical Director
Elizabeth Short, Program Development
Specialist
Connie Sutter, Fiscal Manager
Ambra Stotler, CPhT, Benefit Program Senior
Specialist

Contractors Present:

April Ash, PharmD, Conduent
Blake Shrout, PharmD, AAHIVP, Conduent
Jennifer Colozza, PharmD, Conduent
Ashleigh Holeman, PharmD, Conduent
Megan Fast, PharmD, Conduent
Serena Barden, PharmD, BCPS, Conduent
Chelsea Pendleton, RN, BSN, Wipro
Geri Roling, RN, Wipro
Valerie Schmitz, RN, BSN, Wipro
Ashley Lytton, RN, BSN, Wipro

Others Present:

Anabelle Keohane Michele Shirley
Andrew Royer Mike Chen
Audrey Rattan Nishil Patel
Bill G Nolan

Brian Strickland Rebecca Abt

Camille Kerr Robert Groeneveld
Chris Brown Robert Pearce

Cindi Pearson Sandy

David Hershey Sean Jones

Dave Miley Selena Gonzalez
Desiree Owen Steven Angelcyk
Donald Nopper Suzanne Hensley
Elaine Siegfried Trisha Ladyman

Erin Hohman Vince

Folger Tuggle GCampbell Jackie Adamec

Jenny

Jessica Petrie Jim Maxson Joshua McNeil Karen Floeder Karen Powell

Katie

Keith Gulley Kenneth Berry Kurt Hendrickson Larry Palmisano Laurie Krekemyer

Lila Kertz Lisa Tracz

Melissa Basil

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	Conrad Balaar Committee Chair called the meeting to order						
	Conrad Balcer, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order.						
Welcome, Announcements and Introductions	Joshua Moore, MHD Director of Pharmacy, introduced himself along with Nikki Ashley, MHD's new Pharmacy Program Specialist. Joshua facilitated the meeting on behalf of the MO HealthNet Division.						
	Morgan Sperry also introduced her DIC fellow, Rebecca Abt, PharmD.						
Minutes Review	Discussion: Minutes were reviewed from the December meeting.						
	Decision: The Committee voted to accept these approved minutes with no revisions.						
	Elizabeth Short, Joshua Moore and Angela Wilson presented a brief power point of the Pharmacy Program and Budget Updates. Information presented included:						
Pharmacy Program and Budget Update	 July-Feb 2022 Eligibles by Group July-Feb 2022 Expenditures by Service FY22 Pharmacy Spend vs July-Feb 2022 Total Medicaid Spend July 2021 – March 2022 Pharmacy Expenditures Pharmacy Program Top 4 Drug Classes per FY Hep C FY 2018 – FYTD 2022 Mavyret Expenditures July 2019 – March 2022 Synagis Expenditures FY2019 – FYTD2022 FY2019 – FYTD2022 Rare Disease Expenditures Per Day Additional discussions arose around: The pharmacy spend goals and budget along with comparisons between the other state Medicaid programs. New initiatives and streamlining older edits to help to decrease prior authorization, fax and call volumes to the helpdesk and overall enhanced workflow for all those involved. Process of backdating in the expansion population. June DPAC meeting consisting of only clinical and fiscal edits due to the PDL vendor RFP process. PDL edit reviews are expected to resume at the September DPAC meeting. 						

Old Business	Joshua Moore discussed the Edit Implementation Schedule and the criteria for Previously Approved Clinical Edits, Step Therapies and Prior Authorizations. These handouts were also provided to all attendees and will be posted to the Division's web page: https://dss.mo.gov/mhd/cs/advisory/drugpa/meeting.htm					
New Business						
New Drug Review	Discussion: Olivia Rush reviewed the new products identified for the quarter and the recommended status within the pharmacy program. A listing of products recommended for open access, clinical edit, step therapy, preferred drug list (PDL), or continue prior authorization was emailed to the Committee for discussion and action. Questions arose around the liquid formulations for the new drugs and their availability to children. It was explained that these liquid formulations are expected to follow the general rule MHD has set forth that allows children 10 and younger to receive the liquid without a step through the solid dosage formulation. Questions arose around the dosing limitations for Injectafer and if those would apply acros the board to all Injectafer strengths. It was explained that each strength has its own dosag limits and the one presented today only applies to the 1,000mg vial. No public comment provided. Decision: The Committee voted to accept the presented new drug recommendations with no revisions.					

Clinical and Fiscal Edit Review							
Clinical & Fiscal Edits With No Annual Changes	Discussion: - Joshua Moore introduced the edits for discussion to the Committee which included: - Imcivree Clinical Edit - Megestrol Clinical Edit - Nulibry Clinical Edit - Oxervate Clinical Edit - Oxlumo Clinical Edit - Spravato Clinical Edit - Zokinvy Clinical Edit - Zokinvy Clinical Edit - No other discussion No public comment provided. Decision: The Committee voted to accept the recommended criteria with no additional revisions.						
Acne or Rosacea, Select Topical Agents Step Therapy Edit	Discussion: Joshua Moore introduced the edit for discussion to the Committee. Questions arose on the Erygel removal from the edit – it was explained that the cost has decreased significantly resulting in its removal. No public comment provided. Decision: The Committee voted to accept the recommended criteria with no additional revisions.						
C5 Complement Inhibitors Clinical Edit	Discussion: - Joshua Moore introduced the edit for discussion to the Committee.						

Cystic Fibrosis Transmembrane Conductance Regulator (CFTR) Modulators Clinical Edit	Discussion: Joshua Moore introduced the edit for discussion to the Committee. No other discussion. No public comment provided. Decision: The Committee voted to accept the recommended criteria with no additional revisions.
Fabry Disease Clinical Edit	Discussion: Joshua Moore introduced the edit for discussion to the Committee. No other discussion. No public comment provided.
Givlaari Clinical Edit	Decision: The Committee voted to accept the recommended criteria with no additional revisions. Discussion: Joshua Moore introduced the edit for discussion to the Committee. No other discussion. No public comment provided. Decision: The Committee voted to accept the recommended criteria with no additional revisions.
Isturisa Clinical Edit	Discussion: - Joshua Moore introduced the edit for discussion to the Committee. - No other discussion. - No public comment provided.
Scenesse Clinical Edit	 Decision: The Committee voted to accept the recommended criteria with no additional revisions. Discussion: Joshua Moore introduced the edit for discussion to the Committee. Questions arose on the expected population we would see – it was explained with this being a rare disease that it is very difficult to predict the expected population. No public comment provided. Decision: The Committee voted to accept the recommended criteria with no additional revisions.

Sickle Cell Disease Clinical Edit	 Discussion: Joshua Moore introduced the edit for discussion to the Committee. Public comment provided by:
	Decision: The Committee voted to accept the recommended criteria with no additional revisions.
Systemic Antifungals Clinical Edit	Discussion: - Joshua Moore introduced the edit for discussion to the Committee. - No other discussion. - No public comment provided.
	Decision: The Committee voted to accept the recommended criteria with no additional revisions.
Tavneos Clinical Edit	Discussion: - Joshua Moore introduced the edit for discussion to the Committee. - No other discussion. - Public comment provided by: ○ Larry Palmisano with Chemocentryx
	Decision: The Committee voted to accept the recommended criteria with no additional revisions.
Voxzogo Clinical Edit	Discussion: - Joshua Moore introduced the edit for discussion to the Committee. - No other discussion. - No public comment provided. Decision: The Committee voted to accept the recommended criteria with no additional revisions.

Preferred Drug List Edit Review Discussion: Joshua Moore introduced the edits for discussion to the Committee which included: o Actinic Keratosis Agents, Topical o Androgenic Agents o Antibiotics, Inhaled o Antifungals, Oral o Antifungals, Topical o Antihistamines & Antihistamines/Decongestant Combinations, 2nd Generation Antihistamines, Intranasal o Antivirals, Herpes Oral o Antivirals, Topical o Benzoyl Peroxide/Antibiotic Combinations o Corticosteroids, Oral Inhaled Corticosteroids, Topical Corticosteroids and Rhinitis Agents, Intranasal **Preferred Drug Edits With No** Cough/Cold Preparations **Annual Changes** o Epinephrine Agents, Self-Injectable Fluoroquinolones, Ophthalmic Fluoroquinolones, Otic o Glaucoma Agents Mast Cell Stabilizers, Ophthalmic o NSAIDs, Ophthalmic o Psoriasis Agents, Oral o Psoriasis Agents, Topical o Retinoids, Topical o Ulcerative Colitis Agents, Oral o Ulcerative Colitis Agents, Rectal Public comment provided by: o Dave Miley with Teva Erin Hohman with AbbVie on Durysta and Lumigan (Glaucoma Agents PDL)

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	Questions arose from the Committee on the Antifungals, Oral PDI				
	 Questions arose from the Committee on the Antifungals, Oral PDL It was discussed that the NPDL griseofulvin tablets were must safer in pediatrics and teens compared to the PDL terbinafine tabs which also has many PA steps. Many providers are utilizing the griseofulvin suspension to bypass the terbinafine PA criteria which ALT/AST might not apply to the pediatric population as they generally have good functioning livers. MHD to research more and bring back to the Committee as the cost between the medications greatly differs. Antifungals, Topical Nystatin ointments are flagging as non-preferred at the pharmacy – MHD to research and bring back to the Committee. Benzoyl Peroxide/Antibiotic Combinations Questions arose around single ingredient benzoyl peroxide being covered by MHD. Providers may prefer to start participants on the individual 5-10% benzoyl peroxide products instead of a combination agent. MHD to research and bring back to the Committee. 				
	Decision: The Committee voted to accept the recommended criteria with no additional revisions. Discussion: Joshua Moore introduced the recommended updates to MHD's Asthma Policy.				
Asthma Policy Updates	 See Beta Adrenergic Agents, Nebulized; Beta Adrenergic Agents, Short Acting; and Leukotriene Receptor Modifiers PDL edits for decisions on the recommendations. 				
	Decision: The Committee voted to accept the recommended criteria with no additional revisions.				
Beta Adrenergic Agents, Nebulized	Joshua Moore introduced the edit for discussion to the Committee. No other discussion. No public comment provided. Decision: The Committee voted to accept the recommended criteria with no additional revisions.				

	Discussion: Joshua Moore introduced the edit for discussion to the Committee. Discussion arose around: Concerns with participants at risk not receiving appropriate therapy, especially in the pediatric population. Operationalization at point of sale Helping pharmacies ensure participants receive what they need and educate them appropriately on when the next refills can be dispensed						
Beta Adrenergic Agents, Short Acting	 Soft vs hard edits DUR messages back to the pharmacies Provider education After discussion, the following criteria change was proposed Cumulative quantity exceeds: 3 inhalers per 180 days for participants aged ≥ 18 years Public comment provided by: Dave Miley with Teva Decision: The Committee voted to accept the recommended criteria with the additional revisions above in blue. Comment provided to accept the recommended criteria with the additional revisions above in blue. 						
Leukotriene Receptor Modifiers	Discussion: - Joshua Moore introduced the edit for discussion to the Committee. - No other discussion. - No public comment provided. Decision: The Committee voted to accept the recommended criteria with no additional revisions.						
Anticholinergics, LABAs/ICS Combinations and PDE4 Inhibitors	Discussion: Joshua Moore introduced the edit for discussion to the Committee. No other discussion. No public comment provided.						

Anticholinergics, Long Acting Inhaled	Discussion: Joshua Moore introduced the edit for discussion to the Committee. No other discussion. No public comment provided.
	Decision: The Committee voted to accept the recommended criteria with no additional revisions. Discussion:
Anticholinergics, Short Acting and Combinations Inhaled	 Joshua Moore introduced the edit for discussion to the Committee. No other discussion. No public comment provided.
	Decision: The Committee voted to accept the recommended criteria with no additional revisions.
Anticholinergics, LABA Combinations	Discussion: Joshua Moore introduced the edit for discussion to the Committee. No other discussion. No public comment provided.
	Decision: The Committee voted to accept the recommended criteria with no additional revisions.
Antihistamines, Ophthalmic	Joshua Moore introduced the edit for discussion to the Committee. No other discussion. No public comment provided.
	Decision: The Committee voted to accept the recommended criteria with no additional revisions.
Antiparasitics, Topical	Discussion: Joshua Moore introduced the edit for discussion to the Committee. No other discussion. No public comment provided. Decision: The Committee voted to accept the recommended criteria with no additional revisions.

Atopic Dermatitis Agents,	Discussion: Joshua Moore introduced the edit for discussion to the Committee. No other discussion.						
Immunomodulators	- No public comment provided.						
	Decision: The Committee voted to accept the recommended criteria with no additional revisions.						
Beta Adrenergic Agents, Long Acting	Joshua Moore introduced the edit for discussion to the Committee. No other discussion. No public comment provided.						
	Decision: The Committee voted to accept the recommended criteria with no additional revisions.						
Corticosteroids, Ophthalmic Soft	 Discussion: Joshua Moore introduced the edit for discussion to the Committee. Discussion on the trial and failure definition Public comment provided by:						
Hepatitis C Agents	Discussion: - Joshua Moore introduced the edit for discussion to the Committee. - No other discussion. - Public comment provided by: ○ Erin Hohman with AbbVie on Mavyret yielded time back						
Pancreatic Enzymes	Decision: The Committee voted to accept the recommended criteria with no additional revisions Discussion: Joshua Moore introduced the edit for discussion to the Committee. No other discussion. Public comment provided by: Erin Hohman with AbbVie on Creon yielded time back Decision: The Committee voted to accept the recommended criteria with no additional revisions						

Respiratory Monoclonal Antibodies	 Discussion: Joshua Moore introduced the edit for discussion to the Committee. No other discussion. Public comment provided by:					
	Decision: The Committee voted to accept the recommended criteria with no additional revisions.					
Preferred Drug List Announcement	A handout of therapeutic categories to be reviewed for inclusion on the Preferred Drug List for the next phase and June 2022 meeting was included in the meeting packet. This handout was also provided to all attendees and will be posted to the Division's web page: https://dss.mo.gov/mhd/cs/advisory/drugpa/meeting.htm					
Program Utilization Information – Conduent Update	Jennifer Colozza with Conduent presented the following items for review: - Top 25 Drugs by Paid Amount 1st Quarter 2022 (July, August. September) - Top 25 Drugs by Paid Number 1st Quarter 2022 (July, August. September) - Call Center User Statistics November 2021 - CyberAccess Logging Information - New Drug Statistics November 2021					
Adjournment	Morgan Sperry motioned for the meeting to be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned pursuant Section 610.021 Subsection (14), (5) RSMo for proceedings required pursuant to a disciplinary order concerning medical, psychiatric, psychological, or alcoholism or drug dependency diagnosi or treatment of specific licensees. The next meeting of the Drug Prior Authorization Committee scheduled via hybrid meeting (in person and WebEx) on Thursday, June 16, 2022 .					

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, June 16, 2022 615 Howerton Court, Conference Room 202 Jefferson City, MO 65109 and WebEx

Roll Call for March 17, 2022							
	Committee Member						
Action Item	Conrad Balcer	Laura Kingsley	Morgan Sperry	Angeline Stanislaus	Matthew Stinson	J.K. Sturgeon	Maya Moody
December 2021 Minutes	Υ	Y	SY	Y	MY	Y	Y
New Drug Review	Y	SY	Y	Y	MY	Y	Y
Clinical & Fiscal Edits With No Annual Changes	Υ	Y	Υ	А	MY	SY	Υ
Acne or Rosacea, Select Topical Agents Clinical Edit	Y	SY	MY	А	Y	Y	Y
C5 Complement Inhibitors Clinical Edit	Υ	MY	Y	А	SY	Y	Y
Cystic Fibrosis Transmembrane Conductance Regulator (CFTR) Modulators Clinical Edit	Υ	Y	Υ	A	MY	SY	Y
Fabry Disease Clinical Edit	Υ	SY	MY	А	Υ	Y	Υ
Givlaari Clinical Edit	Y	Y	SY	А	MY	Y	Y
Isturisa Clinical Edit	Y	Y	Υ	А	MY	SY	Y
Scenesse Clinical Edit	Y	MY	SY	Α	Υ	Y	Y
Sickle Cell Disease Clinical Edit	Y	Y	Y	А	MY	Y	SY
Systemic Antifungals Clinical Edit	Y	SY	MY	А	Υ	Y	Y
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Voxzogo Clinical Edit	Y	Y	Y	Α	MY	Y	SY
Preferred Drug Edits With No Annual Changes	Υ	Y	MY	А	SY	Y	Υ
Beta Adrenergic Agents, Nebulized	Υ	Y	SY	А	MY	Y	Υ
Beta Adrenergic Agents, Short Acting	N	Y	Υ	А	SY	Y	MY
Leukotriene Receptor Modifiers	Υ	MY	SY	Α	Υ	Υ	Υ
Anticholinergics, LABAs/ICS Combinations and PDE4 Inhibitors	Υ	Y	Υ	А	MY	SY	Y
Anticholinergics, Long Acting Inhaled	Υ	SY	Υ	А	MY	Y	Υ
Anticholinergics, Short Acting and Combinations Inhaled	Y	Y	Υ	А	MY	SY	Υ
Anticholinergics, LABA Combinations	Y	SY	MY	Α	Y	Y	Υ
Antihistamines, Ophthalmic	Υ	Y	Υ	А	MY	Y	SY
Antiparasitics, Topical	Y	MY	Y	А	Y	Y	SY
Atopic Dermatitis Agents, Immunomodulators	Υ	Y	MY	Α	Υ	Υ	SY
Beta Adrenergic Agents, Long Acting	Y	SY	Υ	А	MY	Y	Υ

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Corticosteroids, Ophthalmic Soft	Y	Y	Y	Α	Y	SY	MY
Hepatitis C Agents PDL Edit	Υ	SY	Y	Α	MY	Y	Υ
Pancreatic Enzymes	Υ	Y	Y	А	MY	Y	SY
Respiratory Monoclonal Antibodies	Υ	Y	Y	А	Y	SY	MY
Motion to Close	Υ	Y	MY	А	SY	Y	Υ
Adjournment	Υ	SY	Υ	А	MY	Υ	Υ

Roll Call Abbreviations: A-Absent; AL-Alternate; R-Ratify; M-Motion; S-Second; Y-Yes; N-No; AB-Abstain