

SoonerCare Fax Blast

August 8, 2008

Subject: Pharmacy Prior Authorization Changes

Dear Provider:

Please note the following:

Ovide® Prior Authorization

- Malathion lotion (Ovide[®]) is now available after first-line treatment with a covered OTC product such as permethrin has failed. A trial with Lindane[®] is no longer required.
- Member must be at least 6 years old.
- A quantity limit of 60ml for 7 day supply applies; may be repeated once if needed for current infestation after 7 days from original fill date.

Ocular Allergy Prior Authorization

Effective August 18, Elestat[®], Alrex[®], and Alocril[®] will require prior authorization:

Ocular Allergy Medications

Tier-1 products are covered with no authorization necessary.

Tier-2 authorization requires:

- FDA approved diagnosis
- A trial of at least one Tier 1 product of a similar type for a minimum of two weeks in the last 30 days (ie: cromolyn sodium prior to use of a mast cell stabilizer product or OTC Zaditor® prior to use of a tier two in the same category)
- Documentation of clinical need for Tier 2 product over Tier 1 should be noted on the petition
- Clinical exceptions granted for products with allergic reaction or contraindication

Tier-2 (requires PA)
lodoxamide tromethamine (Alomide®)
pemirolast potassium (Alamast®)
emedastine difumarate (Emadine®)
epinastine (Elestat®)
loteprednol etabonate (Alrex®)
nedocromil sodium (Alocril®)

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