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RE: Anti-Ulcer Medications and Tazarotene 0.05% Cream Coverage Changes Effective May 12, 2025

The following changes will take effect May 12, 2025. Complete prior authorization (PA) criteria can be found on the OHCA website at www.oklahoma.gov/ohca/pa. Pharmacy PA forms can be found on the OHCA website at https://oklahoma.gov/ohca/rxforms.

Anti-Ulcer Medications

Changes to the Anti-Ulcer tier chart include the following:

- Dexilant® (dexlansoprazole) will move to Tier-2. Members currently utilizing Dexilant® will need to switch to a Tier-1 alternative or a PA request will need to be submitted with patient-specific information.
- Carafate® (sucralfate) oral suspension will move to the Special PA tier. Members currently utilizing the suspension will need to switch to the tablet formulation or a PA request will need to be submitted with patient-specific information.

The specific PA requirements and tier chart for the Anti-Ulcer Medications can be found on the OHCA website in the "Gastrointestinal" therapeutic category.

Tazarotene 0.05% Cream

Tazarotene 0.05% cream (generic Tazorac®) will require a PA. Members currently utilizing tazarotene 0.05% cream will need to switch to tazarotene 0.1% cream or a PA request will need to be submitted with patient-specific information. The PA criteria are as follows:

Tazorac® (Tazarotene Cream and Gel) Approval Criteria:

1. An FDA approved diagnosis of acne vulgaris or plaque psoriasis; and
2. Female members must not be pregnant and must be willing to use an effective method of contraception during treatment; and
3. For the diagnosis of acne vulgaris, the following must be met:
    a. Member must be 20 years of age or younger; and
    b. Tazarotene 0.1% cream will not require prior authorization for members 20 years of age or younger; and
4. Tazarotene 0.05% cream, 0.05% gel, and tazarotene 0.1% gel will require a patient specific, clinically significant reason why the member cannot use tazarotene 0.1% cream, which is available without prior authorization for members 20 years of age and younger; and
5. A quantity limit of 100 grams per 30 days will apply.

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