October 5, 2020

Dear SoonerCare Provider,

Synagis® (palivizumab) will again require prior authorization for the 2020-2021 RSV Season. Approval is based on the 2014 American Academy of Pediatrics Guidelines.

- Synagis® prior authorization approval criteria can be found on the Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA) website under the respiratory therapeutic category: www.okhca.org/pa.
- The Synagis® prior authorization form is available on the Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA) website at www.okhca.org/rxforms. The form, Pharm-7, updated September 2019, must be signed by the prescriber. Outdated prior authorization forms will not be accepted.
- Approval dates for Synagis® will be from November 1, 2020 thru March 31, 2021.
- Prior Authorization requests will NOT be accepted prior to October 19, 2020. Petitions submitted prior to this date will be denied and will have to be resubmitted after October 19th.
- The maximum duration of therapy is 5 doses (including any administered in the hospital) with a dose to be administered not more often than every 30 days. Members given doses more frequently than every 30 days will not be authorized for additional doses.
- Because Synagis® is a weight-based drug, weights must have been taken within 3 weeks so that an appropriate number of vials for the season can be approved. Older weights will not be accepted. For example, for requests to start Synagis® on November 1, 2020, weights must be taken on October 11, 2020 or later to be considered.
- Only those doses that require greater than a vial’s dose +10% may use the next vial size or an additional vial. See table below.
- Quantity limits will be set to ensure that excessive vials are not being used.
- To avoid unnecessary risk to the patient, multiple patients are not to be treated from a single vial. Failure to follow this recommendation will result in referral of the provider to the Quality Assurance Committee of the Oklahoma Health Care Authority.

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<th>Weight Range</th>
<th>Dose (mg)</th>
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