

Pharmacy Services (800) 522-0114, option 4

Dear SoonerCare Provider,

SoonerCare pharmacy services requests your assistance to improve the care of our members. Your pivotal role in the healthcare system can help increase appropriate and cost-effective use of stimulant medications used to treat ADHD. The criteria has been recently updated.

Some of the major changes to this class are as follows:

- Preferred or Tier-1 products are available without prior authorization for members 19 years of age and younger. Adult members will continue to require prior authorization for Tier-1 medications.
- **Preferred Tier-1 long-acting** stimulants are Metadate CD<sup>®</sup> capsules (brand name only), Ritalin SR<sup>®</sup> tablets, Metadate ER<sup>®</sup> tablets, and Vyvanse<sup>®</sup> capsules.
- Tier-2 stimulants require a trial of at least one Tier-1 long-acting stimulant. Tier-2 long-acting stimulants include Adderall XR<sup>®</sup> (brand name only), Ritalin LA<sup>®</sup> (brand name only), and generic Focalin XR<sup>®</sup>.
- **Concerta® tablets (18, 27, 36, & 54 mg)** are now <u>Tier-3</u>. Tier-3 stimulants require a trial of at least one long acting Tier-1 stimulant and one long acting Tier-2 stimulant.
- Immediate-release formulations of methylphenidate and mixed amphetamine salts are Tier-1 products and do not require prior authorization for members 19 years of age and younger.

Updated versions of the ADHD tier structure can be accessed at <u>http://www.okhca.org/providers/rx/pa</u>, and clicking on "Central Nervous System/Behavioral Health."

Thank you for the services you provide to Oklahomans insured by SoonerCare!