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Step Therapy Tier Changes

The following changes will take effect January 1, 2018. Complete tier lists and prior authorization (PA) criteria can be found on our website at www.okhca.org/pa.

Alzheimer’s Medications

- Namenda XR® [memantine extended-release (ER)] will require a reason why the member cannot use the immediate-release formulation

Asthma Medications

- Qvar® HFA (beclomethasone) will no longer be available; use of the new Qvar® RediHaler™ formulation will require a reason for use in place of other Tier-1 inhaled corticosteroids

Antidepressant Medications

- Viibryd® (vilazodone): move from Tier-2 to Tier-3 (current users will be grandfathered despite move up)

Atypical Antipsychotic Medications

- Abilify Maintena® (aripiprazole), Aristada® (aripiprazole lauroxil), Invega Sustenna® (paliperidone), and Invega Trinza® (paliperidone): move from Tier-2 to Tier-1

Diabetic Medications

- Invokana® (canagliflozin), Invokamet® (canagliflozin/metformin), Jentadueto® (linagliptin/metformin), and Tradjenta® (linagliptin): move from Tier-2 to Tier-3 (current users will be grandfathered despite move up)
- Farxiga® (dapagliflozin), Jardiance® (empagliflozin), Synardy® (empagliflozin/metformin), Synjardy® XR (empagliflozin/metformin ER), and Xigduo® XR (dapagliflozin/metformin ER): move from Tier-3 to Tier-2
- Bydureon® (exenatide ER): move from Tier-3 to Tier-2

Fibromyalgia Medications

- Lyrica® (pregabalin): move from Tier-3 to Tier-2
- Savella® (milnacipran): move from Tier-2 to Tier-3 (current users will be grandfathered despite move up)

Hepatitis C Medications

- Sovaldi® (sofosbuvir), Viekira Pak™ (dasabuvir/ombitasvir/paritaprevir/ritonavir), and Viekria XR™ (dasabuvir/ombitasvir/paritaprevir/ritonavir ER) are no longer preferred (current users will be grandfathered despite no longer being preferred)

Opioid Analgesics

- Embeda® (morphine/naltrexone): move from Tier-3 to Tier-2

Ophthalmic Medications

- Alphagan P® 0.1% (brimonidine) and Combigan® 0.2%/0.5% (brimonidine/timolol): move from Tier-1 to Tier-2 (current users will be grandfathered despite move up)
- Ilievro® 0.3% (nepafenac): move from Tier-2 to Tier-1
- Tobradex® (tobramycin/dexamethasone suspension) (brand only): move from Tier-2 to Tier-1

Stimulant Medications

- Adzenys XR-ODT™ (amphetamine ER-ODT): move from Tier-2 to Special PA Tier (current users will be grandfathered despite move up)
- Focalin XR® (dextmethylphenidate ER) (brand only) and QuilliChew ER™ (methylphenidate ER chewable): move from Tier-2 to Tier-1
- ProCentra® (dextroamphetamine oral solution): move from Tier-3 to Special PA Tier (current users will be grandfathered despite move up)

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