

## **Pharmacy Services**

(800) 522-0114, option 4

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RE: Suboxone® [buprenorphine/naloxone sublingual (SL) films]

Dear SoonerCare Provider,

The purpose of this fax is to provide updates regarding coverage of Suboxone® (buprenorphine/naloxone SL films), an opioid dependence medication.

Suboxone® (buprenorphine/naloxone SL films) and generic buprenorphine/naloxone SL tablets are the preferred opioid dependence medications. Authorization of the generic buprenorphine/naloxone SL films, Zubsolv® (buprenorphine/naloxone SL tablets), and Bunavail® (buprenorphine/naloxone buccal films) require a patient-specific, clinically significant reason why brand formulation Suboxone® films or generic buprenorphine/naloxone SL tablets are not appropriate.

Specific prior authorization criteria for Substance Abuse Treatment medications can be downloaded from <a href="https://www.okhca.org/pa">www.okhca.org/pa</a>, then clicking "Central Nervous System/Behavioral Health".

If a member requires any of the above medications, prior authorization requests can be submitted for consideration to SoonerCare Pharmacy Services. Prior authorization request forms can be found online at <a href="https://www.okhca.org/rxforms">www.okhca.org/rxforms</a> (PHARM-04).

The Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA) continues to engage in efforts to combat the prescription drug abuse epidemic in Oklahoma. For more information regarding the current opioid epidemic in Oklahoma, Medication Assisted Treatment and a list of available treatment centers and resources, visit <a href="https://okimready.org/">https://okimready.org/</a>.

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