



EqualityCare Pharmacy News

Dear Providers:

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Recent Wyoming DUR recommendations have been approved by the Department of Health, Office of Pharmacy Services and will be implemented in various therapeutic drug categories.

New Drugs and Preferred Drug List (PDL) Criteria (Effective 12/02/2009):

- **OPHTHALMIC-PROSTAGLANDINS** Travatan and Lumigan are **preferred**.
Xalatan is **non-preferred** and will require a 30-day trial and failure of BOTH Travatan AND Lumigan prior to approval.
- **MIRTAZAPINE** Mirtazapine is **preferred** (step 1 antidepressant) for the following strengths ONLY: 15, 30, and 45mg.
Mirtazapine ODT and 7.5mg tablets are **non-preferred**.
- **ACUVAIL** **Non-preferred** and will require a minimum 5-day trial and failure of all preferred ophthalmic anti-inflammatory NSAIDS : Acular/LS/PF, flurbiprofen, and diclofenac prior to approval.
- **ANDROGENS** Products require prior authorization and approval is limited to hypogonadism or insufficient testosterone production. Androgens used for weight gain or muscle production are not covered.
- **EMBEDA** **Non-preferred** and will require a history of drug or substance abuse. A 14-day trial and failure of morphine sulfate or BRAND Duragesic patches will be required prior to approval.
- **FANAPT/SAPHRIS** **Non-preferred** and a 30-day trial and failure of all atypicals (except clozapine) at max doses will be required prior to approval of Saphris or Fanapt. Both drugs will be limited to labeled maximum dose, age range and indication.
- **LIDODERM PATCHES** **Non-preferred** and will be approved for clients with the diagnosis of peripheral neuropathy or post herpetic neuralgia.
- **NIRAVAM** **Non-preferred**; clients must use alprazolam.
- **ONSOLIS** **Non-preferred** and is limited to breakthrough cancer pain. A 14-day trial and failure of fentanyl transmucosal and fentanyl bucal tablets will be required prior to approval.

Miscellaneous Information:

All Wyoming EqualityCare pharmacy claims require the pharmacy provider's NPI number and the prescriber NPI number. Pharmacy claims will **NOT** be reimbursed by Wyoming EqualityCare if both NPI numbers are not on the pharmacy claim. If a prescriber's NPI number is unknown at the time of claims processing, the use of the EqualityCare approved dummy NPI number is allowed for **ONE** claim submission. The correct NPI number must be obtained before the next claim submission or funds could be returned to the State. **Pharmacies are NOT allowed to use their NPI in place of the prescriber's NPI.**

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