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BCBSAL Step Therapy Utilization Management

Step Therapy

Step therapy program is a "step" approach to providing the medications that treat your condition. This means that you may first need to try a more clinically appropriate or cost-effective medication before certain higher-cost medications will be approved. Step therapy programs can help both you and the health plan save money.

The Step Therapy form that your physician will need to complete to request an approval can be found on the MyPrime website.

Utilization Management Program	Prerequisites	Drug(s) in Program
Antidepressants	Generic bupropion, bupropion ER, citalopram, duloxetine, escitalopram, fluoxetine, fluoxetine DR, fluvoxamine, fluvoxamine ER, mirtazapine, paroxetine, paroxetine ER, sertraline, venlafaxine, venlafaxine ER Additional alternatives for Cymbalta/Drizalma only: amitriptyline, cyclobenzaprine, desipramine, gabapentin, imipramine, nortriptyline, tramadol	APLENZIN
		BUPROPION HYDROCHLORIDE ER (XL)
		CELEXA
		CITALOPRAM HYDROBROMIDE
		CYMBALTA
		DESVENLAFAXINE ER
		DRIZALMA SPRINKLE
		EFFEXOR XR
		FETZIMA
		FETZIMA TITRATION PACK
		FLUOXETINE DR
		FLUOXETINE HYDROCHLORIDE
		FORFIVO XL
		LEXAPRO
		MAPROTILINE HCL
		PAXIL
		PAXIL CR

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Trogram		PEXEVA
		PRISTIQ
		PROZAC
		REMERON
		REMERON SOLTAB
		SERTRALINE HYDROCHLORIDE
		TRINTELLIX
		VIIBRYD
		VIIBRYD STARTER PACK
		WELLBUTRIN SR
		WELLBUTRIN XL
		ZOLOFT
Antiemetic Agents	A generic oral 5HT-3 antiemetic agent	SANCUSO
		ZUPLENZ
ARB Renin Inhibitors	A generic ACE Inhibitor or ACE Inhibitor combination (e.g. enalapril, lisinopril, benazepril) A generic ARB or ARB combination (e.g.	ATACAND
	amlodipine-valsartan/HCTZ, candesartan,	
	eprosartan, irbesartan, losartan, telmisartan,	
	valsartan, telmisartan/amlodipine,	
	telmisartan/HCTZ, valsartan/amlodipine)	
	A generic renin inhibitor or renin inhibitor	
	combination (e.g. aliskiren)	
		ATACAND HCT
		AVALIDE
		AVAPRO
		AZOR
		BENICAR
		BENICAR HCT
		COZAAR
		DIOVAN
		DIOVAN HCT
		EDARBI
		EDARBYCLOR
		EXFORGE
		EXFORGE HCT
		HYZAAR
		MICARDIS
		MICARDIS HCT
		TEKTURNA
		TEKTURNA HCT
		TRIBENZOR

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Trogram		TWYNSTA
Atopic Dermatitis	A topical corticosteroid or a topical	ELIDEL
	corticosteroid combination preparation	
		EUCRISA
		pimecrolimus
		PROTOPIC
		tacrolimus
Atypical Antipsychotics	A generic atypical antipsychotic	ABILIFY
	Additional alternatives for Abilify only: generic haloperidol, pimozide	
		ABILIFY MYCITE
		ABILIFY MYCITE MAINTENANCE KIT
		ABILIFY MYCITE STARTER KIT
		CAPLYTA
		CLOZAPINE ODT
		CLOZARIL
		FANAPT
		FANAPT TITRATION PACK
		GEODON
		INVEGA
		LYBALVI
		RISPERDAL
		RISPERIDONE ODT
		SAPHRIS
		SECUADO
		SEROQUEL
		SEROQUEL XR
		VERSACLOZ
		VRAYLAR
		ZYPREXA
		ZYPREXA ZYDIS
Atypical Antipsychotics Extended Maintenance	An oral short-acting atypical antipsychotic	ABILIFY MAINTENA
Extended Maintenance	agent with same active ingredient	ADICTADA
	An oral short-acting atypical antipsychotic agent with same active ingredient	ARISTADA
	An oral short-acting atypical antipsychotic	ARISTADA INITIO
	agent with same active ingredient	AND IADA INTITO
	Invega Sustenna, Invega Trinza	INVEGA HAFYERA
	An oral short-acting atypical antipsychotic	INVEGA SUSTENNA
	agent with same active ingredient	
	Invega Sustenna	INVEGA TRINZA
	An oral short-acting atypical antipsychotic	PERSERIS
	agent with same active ingredient	

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Program	An oral short-acting atypical antipsychotic	RISPERDAL CONSTA
	agent with same active ingredient	
	An oral short-acting atypical antipsychotic	ZYPREXA RELPREVV
	agent with same active ingredient	
Continuous Glucose	A rapid acting insulin, regular acting insulin	DEXCOM G5 MOBILE RECEIVERKIT
Monitor		
		DEXCOM G5 MOBILE TRANSMITTER KIT
		DEXCOM G5 MOBILE/G4 PLATINUM
		SENSOR KIT
		DEXCOM G5 RECEIVER KIT
		DEXCOM G6 RECEIVER
		DEXCOM G6 SENSOR
		DEXCOM G6 TRANSMITTER
		FREESTYLE LIBRE 14
		DAY/READER/FLASH MONITORING SYSTEM
		FREESTYLE LIBRE 14
		DAY/SENSOR/FLASH MONITORING
		SYSTEM
		FREESTYLE LIBRE 2/READER/FLASH
		GLUCOSE MONITORING SYSTEM
		FREESTYLE LIBRE 2/SENSOR/FLASH
		GLUCOSE MONITORING SYSTEM
		FREESTYLE LIBRE/READER/FLASH
		MONITORING SYSTEM
		FREESTYLE LIBRE/SENSOR/FLASH
		MONITORING SYSTEM
DPP-4 Inhibitors	Januvia, Janumet, Janumet XR	ALOGLIPTIN
		ALOGLIPTIN/METFORMIN HCL
		ALOGLIPTIN/PIOGLITAZONE
		JENTADUETO
		JENTADUETO XR
		KAZANO
		KOMBIGLYZE XR
		NESINA
		ONGLYZA
		OSENI
		TRADJENTA
GLP-1 Agonists	Generic metformin, a combination product containing metformin, insulin	ADLYXIN
		ADLYXIN STARTER PACK
		BYDUREON BCISE
		BYDUREON PEN

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Повішн		BYETTA
		OZEMPIC
		RYBELSUS
		TRULICITY
		VICTOZA
Insulin Combinations	Generic metformin, a combination product	SOLIQUA 100/33
	containing metformin, insulin	· ·
		XULTOPHY 100/3.6
Metformin ER	A non-targeted generic metformin ER	FORTAMET
		GLUMETZA
		metformin hydrochloride er
		RIOMET ER
Methotrexate Injectable	Generic methotrexate injectable solution	OTREXUP
Agents	(methotrexate sodium solution)	
	Generic methotrexate injectable solution	RASUVO
	(methotrexate sodium solution)	
	AND Otrexup	
	AND RediTrex	
	Generic methotrexate injectable solution	REDITREX
	(methotrexate sodium solution)	
Multiple Sclerosis	Generic dimethyl fumarate, glatiramer	AUBAGIO
	Generic dimethyl fumarate, glatiramer	AVONEX
	Generic dimethyl fumarate, glatiramer	AVONEX PEN
	ONE of the following: Generic dimethyl	BAFIERTAM
	fumarate, glatiramer	
	AND	
	ONE of the following: Aubagio, Avonex,	
	Betaseron, Gilenya, Kesimpta, Mavenclad,	
	Mayzent, Plegridy, Rebif, Zeposia	DETACEDON
	Generic dimethyl fumarate, glatiramer	BETASERON
	Generic glatiramer	COPAXONE
	AND ONE of the following: Aubagia, Avenay	
	ONE of the following: Aubagio, Avonex, Betaseron, Gilenya, Kesimpta, Mavenclad,	
	Mayzent, Plegridy, Rebif, Zeposia	
	ONE of the following: Generic dimethyl	EXTAVIA
	fumarate, glatiramer	
	AND	
	ONE of the following: Aubagio, Avonex,	
	Betaseron, Gilenya, Kesimpta, Mavenclad,	
	Mayzent, Plegridy, Rebif, Zeposia	
	Generic dimethyl fumarate, glatiramer	GILENYA
	Generic glatiramer	glatopa
	AND	

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	ONE of the following: Aubagio, Avonex,	
	Betaseron, Gilenya, Kesimpta, Mavenclad,	
	Mayzent, Plegridy, Rebif, Zeposia	
	Generic dimethyl fumarate, glatiramer	KESIMPTA
	Generic dimethyl fumarate, glatiramer	MAVENCLAD
	Generic dimethyl fumarate, glatiramer	MAYZENT
	Generic dimethyl fumarate, glatiramer	MAYZENT STARTER PACK
	Generic dimethyl fumarate, glatiramer	PLEGRIDY
	Generic dimethyl fumarate, glatiramer	PLEGRIDY STARTER PACK
	ONE of the following: Generic dimethyl	PONVORY
	fumarate, glatiramer	
	AND	
	ONE of the following: Aubagio, Avonex,	
	Betaseron, Gilenya, Kesimpta, Mavenclad,	
	Mayzent, Plegridy, Rebif, Zeposia	
	ONE of the following: Generic dimethyl	PONVORY 14-DAY STARTER PACK
	fumarate, glatiramer	
	AND	
	ONE of the following: Aubagio, Avonex,	
	Betaseron, Gilenya, Kesimpta, Mavenclad,	
	Mayzent, Plegridy, Rebif, Zeposia	DEDIE
	Generic dimethyl fumarate, glatiramer	REBIF
	Generic dimethyl fumarate, glatiramer	REBIF REBIDOSE
	Generic dimethyl fumarate, glatiramer	REBIF REBIDOSE TITRATION PACK
	Generic dimethyl fumarate, glatiramer	REBIF TITRATION PACK
	Generic dimethyl fumarate	TECFIDERA
	AND ONE of the following: Aubagio, Avonex,	
	Betaseron, Gilenya, Kesmipta, Mavenclad,	
	Mayzent, Plegridy, Rebif, Zeposia	
	Generic dimethyl fumarate	TECFIDERA STARTER PACK
	AND	TECHDERA STARTER FACE
	ONE of the following: Aubagio, Avonex,	
	Betaseron, Gilenya, Kesmipta, Mavenclad,	
	Mayzent, Plegridy, Rebif, Zeposia	
	ONE of the following: Generic dimethyl	VUMERITY
	fumarate, glatiramer	
	AND	
	ONE of the following: Aubagio, Avonex,	
	Betaseron, Gilenya, Kesimpta, Mavenclad,	
	Mayzent, Plegridy, Rebif, Zeposia	
Oral Tetracycline	Any one preferred generic doxycycline agent	ACTICLATE
Derivatives	AND	
	Any one preferred generic minocycline agent	

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. 108.4		coremino
		DORYX
		DORYX MPC
		DOXYCYCLINE
		DOXYCYCLINE HYCLATE DR
		MINOCIN
		minocycline hydrochloride er
		MINOCYCLINE HYDROCHLORIDEER
		MINOLIRA
		ORACEA
		SEYSARA
		SOLODYN
		VIBRAMYCIN
		XIMINO
PPI	A generic oral formulation of omeprazole,	ACIPHEX
	lansoprazole, pantoprazole, rabeprazole,	
	esomeprazole magnesium	
		ACIPHEX SPRINKLE
		DEXILANT
		DEXLANSOPRAZOLE
		ESOMEPRAZOLE STRONTIUM
		NEXIUM
		omeprazole/sodium bicarbonate
		PREVACID
		PREVACID SOLUTAB
		PRILOSEC
		PROTONIX
		RABEPRAZOLE SODIUM DR SPRINKLE
		ZEGERID
Rho Kinase Inhibitors	A generic ophthalmic prostaglandin	RHOPRESSA
		ROCKLATAN
SGLT-2 Inhibitors	ONE of the following: Glyxambi, Jardiance,	INVOKAMET
	Synjardy, Synjardy XR, Trijardy XR	
	AND ONE of the following: Farxiga, Xigduo	
	ONE of the following: Glyxambi, Jardiance,	INVOKAMET XR
	Synjardy, Synjardy XR, Trijardy XR	
	AND ONE of the following: Farxiga, Xigduo	INIVOKANIA
	ONE of the following: Glyxambi, Jardiance,	INVOKANA
	Synjardy, Synjardy XR, Trijardy XR AND ONE of the following: Farxiga, Xigduo	
	Glyxambi, Trijardy XR	QTERN
	ONE of the following: Glyxambi, Jardiance,	
	Synjardy, Synjardy XR, Trijardy XR	SEGLUROMET
	Symparuy, Symparuy AK, Trijaruy AK	

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Trogram	AND ONE of the following: Farxiga, Xigduo	
	ONE of the following: Glyxambi, Jardiance, Synjardy, Synjardy XR, Trijardy XR AND ONE of the following: Farxiga, Xigduo	STEGLATRO
	Glyxambi, Trijardy XR	STEGLUJAN
Statins	A generic statin or generic statin combination	ALTOPREV
		CRESTOR
		EZALLOR SPRINKLE
		EZETIMIBE/ROSUVASTATIN
		FLOLIPID
		LESCOL XL
		LIPITOR
		LIVALO
		PRAVACHOL
		ROSZET
		SIMVASTATIN
		VYTORIN
		ZOCOR
		ZYPITAMAG
Triptans	A generic triptan	AMERGE
		FROVA
		IMITREX
		IMITREX STATDOSE REFILL
		IMITREX STATDOSE SYSTEM
		MAXALT
		MAXALT-MLT
		ONZETRA XSAIL
		RELPAX
		SUMATRIPTAN SUCCINATE
		SUMATRIPTAN SUCCINATE REFILL
		TOSYMRA
		TREXIMET
		ZEMBRACE SYMTOUCH
		ZOLMITRIPTAN
		ZOMIG
		ZOMIG ZMT
Winlevi	A generic topical antibiotic agent, topical retinoid agent	WINLEVI