

## Pharmacy Services

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Dear SoonerCare Provider,

The Oklahoma Health Care Authority is engaged in an effort to improve cost effective utilization of non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) and topical corticosteroids by our members. The purpose of this fax is to provide updates regarding NSAID and topical corticosteroid coverage.

## Effective February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016, the following changes will be made to the NSAID category:

- 1. The following NSAIDs will move from Tier-1 to Tier-2:
  - a. Lodine<sup>®</sup> (etodolac) 200mg and 300mg capsules
  - b. Lodine XL® (etodolac extended-release) 400mg, 500mg, and 600mg tablets
  - c. Meclomen® (meclofenamate) 50mg and 100mg capsules
  - d. Anaprox<sup>®</sup> (naproxen sodium) 275mg and 550mg tablets
  - e. Daypro<sup>®</sup> (oxaprozin) 600mg tablets
  - f. Tolectin® (tolmetin) 200mg and 600mg tablets; 400mg capsules
- 2. Voltaren<sup>®</sup> (diclofenac sodium) 25mg tablets will have a quantity limit of 60 tablets per 30 days.

Updated versions of prior authorization criteria for NSAIDs can be downloaded from <u>www.okhca.org/pa</u>, by selecting "Skeletal System."

## Effective February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016, the following changes will be made to the Topical Corticosteroid category:

- 1. The following topical corticosteroids will move from Tier-1 to Tier-2:
  - a. Diflorasone diacetate 0.05% (Apexicon<sup>®</sup>, Apexicon E<sup>®</sup>) cream and ointment
  - b. Halobetasol propionate (Ultravate®) ointment
  - c. Clobetasol propionate 0.05% (Temovate®) cream and ointment
  - d. Hydrocortisone valerate 0.2% cream
  - e. Fluocinolone acetonide 0.01% (Synalar<sup>®</sup>, Derma-Smooth<sup>®</sup>, Derma-Smooth FS<sup>®</sup>) solution and oil
- 2. Fluocinonide 0.05% solution and betamethasone dipropionate 0.05% (Diprosone<sup>®</sup>) ointment will be moved from Tier-2 to Tier-1.

Updated versions of prior authorization criteria for topical corticosteroids can be downloaded from <u>www.okhca.org/pa</u>, by selecting "Topical."

We anticipate the Tier-1 medications will meet the needs of your patients. However, if they do not, you may choose to submit a prior authorization for consideration, including patient-specific, clinically significant supporting information for use of the requested medication.

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

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