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Subject: June 12, 2014 LA Care PT&T Updates



Dear Practitioner:

We would like to thank you for providing quality services to our LA Care Medi-Cal, Healthy Kids, Healthy Families and PASC-SEIU members.

LA Care's Pharmacy, Therapeutics and New Technology (PT&T) Committee reviewed several drugs and Prior Authorization guidelines on June 12, 2014. The purpose of this notification is to inform you of the changes effective July 14, 2014. Please transition your members from non-formulary to the formulary alternatives if appropriate. Please note, not all strengths and/or formulations of a drug are necessarily included in the formulary status change. Please see the formulary posted on www.lacare.org for the current formulary.

Lines of Business: LAC01=MediCal, LAC02=Healthy Kids, LAC06=PASC-SEIU

Abbreviation	Key
LOB	Lines of Business
QL	Quantity Limit
PA	Prior Authorization
GL or GLS	Guidelines
ST	Step Therapy
F	Formulary
NF	Non-Formulary

Summary of Drugs Reviewed

Drug Brand Name	Generic Name	Formulary Status and Edits
Precose	Acarbose	LAC06-F
Amiloride Hcl	Amiloride Hcl	LAC01-F
Otezla	Apremilast	NF
Lipitor	Atorvastatin Calcium	LAC06-F
Z-Pak	Azithromycin	LAC06-F
Beconase	Beclomethasone Dipropionate	F ST - Fluticasone and flunisolide
Zebeta	Bisoprolol Fumarate	LAC06-F



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Drug Brand Name	Generic Name	Formulary Status and Edits
Rhinocort Aqua	Budesonide	F ST - Fluticasone and flunisolide
Wellbutrin SR	Bupropion Hcl Sr	LAC06-F
Calcitrate	Calcium Citrate	LAC01-F
Soma	Carisoprodol	LAC06-F
Cimzia	Certolizumab	NF
D-Vita	Cholecalciferol	F
Omnares	Ciclesonide	F ST - Fluticasone and flunisolide
Lotrimin	Clotrimazole	LAC06-F
Tricon	Cyanocobalamin/Ferrous fumarate/Ascorbic acid/Folic acid	LAC01-F
Viorele	Deogestrel/Ethinyl Estradiol	LAC06-F
Focalin	Dexmethylphenidate Hcl	LAC01-F
Bentyl	Dicyclomine Hcl	LAC06-F
Taztia XT, Cartia XT	Diltiazem Er	LAC01-F
Depakote ER	Divalproex ER	F ST -Divalproex IR
Prumyx	Emollients	LAC01-F
Aptiom	Eslicarbazepine	NF
Felodipine ER	Felodipine ER	LAC06-F
Tricor	Fenofibrate	LAC06-F
Trilipix	Fenofibric Acid	LAC01-F
Proscar	Finasteride	LAC06-F
Florinef	Fludrocortisone Acetate	LAC06-F
Aerobid	Flunisolide	LAC 06: F
Veramyst	Fluticasone Furoate	F ST - Fluticasone and flunisolide
Luvox	Fluvoxamine Maleate	LAC01-F
Robinul	Glycopyrrolate	LAC01-F
Simponi	Golimumab	NF
Gris-Peg	Griseofulvin (microsize)	F ST-Terbinafine Tablet
Norco	Hydrocodone-Acetaminophen	LAC06-F
Cortef	Hydrocortisone	LAC06-F
Lactulose	Lactulose	LAC06-F
Femara	Letrozole	LAC06-F
Xyzal	Levocetirizine Dihydrochloride	LAC06-F

Drug Brand Name	Generic Name	Formulary Status and Edits
Levora-28	Levonorgestrel/Ethinyl Estradiol	LAC06-F
Cytomel	Liothyronine Sodium	LAC06-F
Zestoretic	Lisinopril-Hydrochlorothiazide	LAC06-F
Mevacor	Lovastatin	LAC06-F
Luzu	Luliconazole	F ST-Terbinafine and Clotrimazole cream; QL=60g per 28 days
Mag-G	Magnesium Gluconate	LAC01-F
Mobic	Meloxicam	LAC06-F
Hiprex	Methenamine Hippurate	LAC01-F
Trexall	Methotrexate	LAC06-F
Ritalin ER	Methylphenidate ER	LAC01-F
Ritalin SR	Methylphenidate SR	LAC01-F
Medrol	Methylprednisolone	LAC06-F
Nasonex	Mometasone furoate	F ST - Fluticasone and flunisolide
Ferocon	Multivitamins with Folic Acid/Iron	LAC01-F
Serzone	Nefazodone Hcl	LAC06-F
Cortisporin	Neomycin-Polymyxin-Hydrocort	LAC06-F
Niacor	Niacin	LAC01-F
Junel	Norethindrone Acetate/Ethinyl Estradiol	LAC06-F
Jinteli	Norethindrone Acetate/Ethinyl Estradiol	LAC06-F
Junel Fe, Gildess Fe	Norethindrone Acetate/Ethinyl Estradiol/Ferrous Fumarate	LAC06-F
Microgestin Fe	Norethindrone/Ethinyl Estradiol	LAC06-F
Percocet	Oxycodone-Acetaminophen	LAC06-F
Cytra-K	Potassium Citrate/Citric Acid	LAC01-F
Mestinon	Pyridostigmine Bromide	LAC06-F
Accupril	Quinapril Hcl	LAC06-F
Altace	Ramipril	LAC06-F
Prandin	Repaglinide	LAC01-F
Ribavirin	Ribavirin	F-200mg only , NF-400mg & 600mg
Rebetol	Ribavirin	NF
Virazole	Ribavirin	NF

Drug Brand Name	Generic Name	Formulary Status and Edits
Ribapak	Ribavirin	NF
Ribasphere	Ribavirin	NF
Senna Lax	Senna	LAC01-F
Sodium Chloride	Sodium Chloride	LAC01-F
Soltamox	Tamoxifen Citrate	LAC06-F
Hetlioz	Tasimelteon	NF
Timoptic	Timolol Maleate	LAC06-F
Tobrex	Tobramycin	LAC01-F
Topamax	Topiramate	LAC06-F
Demadex	Toremide	LAC01-F
Nasacort	Triamcinolone Acetonide	F ST - Fluticasone and flunisolide
Stelara	Usteinumab	NF
Verelan PM	Verapamil ER PM	LAC01-F
Vitamin B Complex	Vitamin B Complex	LAC01-F

Summary of Guideline Reviews

Termed/Discontinued	New	Updated/Changed	Notes/Comments
		Adapalene (Differin)	Need to try and failed topical and oral formulary agents
		DPP4 Inhibitor	“metformin containing agents” instead of listing out all the drug names
		Enteral Nutrition	Update to mirror the State requirements
		Iron Chelation	Mirror FDA indications and monitoring criteria. Added renewal criteria
		Ivacaftor (Kalydeco)	Update with new FDA indication
		Omalizumab (Xolair)	Update with new FDA indication
Terbinafine (Lamisil)			
	Apremilast (Otezla)		FDA indication and try and failed adalimumab and etanercept
	Eslicarbazepine (Aptiom)		FDA indication and try and fail formulary agents
	Tasimelteon (Heltioz)		FDA indication, specialists and try and failed melatonin
	Vortioxetine (Brintellix)		FDA indication and try and fail one of each class of SSRI/SNRI/NDRI/Tetracyclic
		Promacta	
		Crestor	

If you believe that your patients need to be on non-formulary medications or require an exception for Quantity Limitations or Step Therapy requirements, please do one of the following:

1. Fax a completed Medication Request Form to MedImpact at **1-800-681-7651**, OR
2. Contact MedImpact at (800) 788-2949 and provide all necessary information requested and followed with a signed MRF within one business day.

This information is being provided for general information purposes only and is not intended as a substitute for the independent medical judgment of a practitioner. Only the treating practitioner can determine what medications are appropriate for their patient(s).

Electronic version of LA Care's Formulary and other Formulary Updates are always available online at <http://www.lacare.org>.

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