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Pharmacy Announcement

Preferred Drug List (PDL) Changes Effective March 1, 2016

On December 3, 2015, the Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&T) Committee of the Nevada Department of Health and Human Services' Division of Health Care Financing and Policy met to review new and existing therapeutic drug classes on the Nevada Medicaid Preferred Drug List (PDL).

The actions taken by the committee are indicated below. All changes are effective March 1, 2016. The complete PDL is posted on the "[Preferred Drug List](#)" webpage.

Drug Class	Drugs Added as Preferred	Drugs Added as Non-Preferred
Cardiovascular Agents: Antihypertensive Agents: Angiotensin II Receptor Antagonists	None	Candesartan Cozaar® Hyzaar® Valsartan
Dermatological Agents: Topical Antiinflammatory Agents: Immunomodulators: Topical	None	Tacrolimus
Genitourinary Agents: Bladder Antispasmodics	Bethanechol	Myrbetriq®
Hematological Agents: Platelet Inhibitors	None	Aspirin/Dipyridamole Durlaza®
Musculoskeletal Agents: Bone Resorption Inhibitors: Nasal Calcitonins	None	Fortical® Calcitonin-Salmon
Neurological Agents: Alzheimers Agents	Memantine	Namenda® Tabs Namzaric®
Ophthalmic Agents: Ophthalmic Antihistamines	Ketotifen Pazeo®	Azelastine Alomide Alocril Epinastine Pataday®
Ophthalmic Agents: Ophthalmic Anti-Inflammatory Agents: Ophthalmic Nonsteroidal Anti- Inflammatory Drugs (NSAIDS)	Ilevro® Ketorolac	Acular® Acular LS®
Psychotropic Agents: Antidepressants: Other	Duloxetine	Cymbalta®
Psychotropic Agents: Antipsychotics: Atypical Antipsychotics	None	Aripiprazole Paliperidone Rexulti®

Drug Class	Drugs Added as Preferred	Drugs Added as Non-Preferred
Respiratory Agents: Nasal Antihistamines	None	Olopatadine
Respiratory Agents: Respiratory Beta-Agonists: Short-Acting Respiratory Beta-Agonist	None	Proair Respiclick®

Cosentyx® and Stelara® have been removed from the PDL and are no longer subject to PDL requirements, because they are no longer in the Biologic Response Modifier: Immunomodulators: Disease-Modifying Antirheumatic Agents therapeutic class.