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Pharmacy updates approved by Drug Utilization Review Board March 2022

The Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) announces updates to the SilentAuth automated prior authorization (PA) system, PA criteria and vaccines as approved by the Drug Utilization Review (DUR) Board at its March 18, 2022, meeting. These updates apply to the fee-for-service (FFS) pharmacy benefit.

SilentAuth PA enhancement

The IHCP has enhanced its automated PA system to update the criteria for the Sedative Hypnotics/ Benzodiazepines. These PA changes will be effective for PA requests submitted on or after May 1, 2022. The PA criteria are posted on the *Pharmacy Prior Authorization Criteria and Forms* page on the OptumRx Indiana Medicaid website, accessible from the [Pharmacy Services](#) page at in.gov/medicaid/providers.



PA changes

PA criteria for the Carafate and Cytotec, Muscular Dystrophy Agents, Non-PDL Agents PA and Step Therapy, and Sickle Cell Agents were established and approved by the DUR Board. These PA changes will be effective for PA requests submitted on or after May 1, 2022. The PA criteria are posted on the *Pharmacy Prior Authorization Criteria and Forms* page on the [OptumRx Indiana Medicaid website](#).

Vaccine coverage and utilization edit updates

Updates to coverage and utilization edits for vaccines billed through the pharmacy point-of-sale system were approved as listed in Table 1. These updates are effective for dates of service (DOS) on or after May 1, 2022.

Table 1 – Vaccine utilization edit changes effective for DOS on or after May 1, 2022

Product Name	Age Restriction	Quantity Limit
Hepatitis A (Havrix 1440 ELISA unit/mL, Vaqta 50 unit/mL)	Update age restriction to 19 years of age and older	N/A
Hepatitis B (Recombivax 5 mcg/0.5 mL, Engerix-B 10 mcg/0.5 mL)	Add a minimum and maximum age restriction of 19 years of age	Add quantity limit of 1 dose/28 days
Meningococcal vaccines (Menactra, Menquadfi, Menveo)	N/A	Update quantity limit to 1 dose/56 days

For more information

The vaccine list, PA criteria and SilentAuth criteria can be found on the [OptumRx Indiana Medicaid website](#). Notices of the DUR Board meetings and agendas are posted on the [FSSA website](#) at in.gov/fssa. Click **FSSA Calendar** on the left side of the page to access the events calendar.



Please direct FFS PA requests and questions about the FFS Preferred Drug List (PDL) or this bulletin to the OptumRx Clinical and Technical Help Desk by calling toll-free 855-577-6317. Questions regarding pharmacy benefits for members in the Healthy Indiana Plan (HIP), Hoosier Care Connect and Hoosier Healthwise should be referred to the managed care entity (MCE) with which the member is enrolled.

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