# IHCP bulletin

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## Pharmacy updates approved by Drug Utilization Review Board December 2023

The Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) announces updates to prior authorization (PA) criteria, Statewide Uniform Preferred Drug List (SUPDL) and Over-the-Counter (OTC) Drug Formulary as approved by the Drug Utilization Review (DUR) Board at its Dec.15, 2023, meeting.

#### PA changes

PA criteria for Non-SUPDL PA and Step Therapy and also Testosterones were established and approved by the DUR Board. PA criteria for Non-SUPDL PA and Step Therapy apply to the fee-forservice (FFS) benefit only. Both PA changes will be effective for PA



requests submitted on or after Feb.1, 2024. The PA criteria are posted on the *Pharmacy Prior Authorization Criteria and Forms* page on the Optum Rx Indiana Medicaid website, accessible from the *Pharmacy Services* page at in.gov/medicaid/providers.

### **Changes to the SUPDL**

Changes to the SUPDL were made at the Dec. 15, 2023, DUR Board meeting. See Table 1 for a summary of SUPDL changes. Changes are effective for dates of service (DOS) on or after Feb. 1, 2024.

Table 1 – SUPDL changes effective for DOS on or after Feb. 1, 2024

Drug class	Drug	SUPDL status
Contraceptives	Paragard Intrauterine Copper (IUD)	Preferred

#### **OTC Drug Formulary**

Updates to the OTC Drug Formulary were established at the Dec. 15, 2023, DUR Board meeting. See Table 2 for the list of products that will be updated on the formulary. The formulary is effective for DOS on or after Feb. 1, 2024, unless otherwise noted.

Table 2 – OTC Drug Formulary effective for DOS on or after Feb. 1, 2024

Drug class	Drug	Status/criteria
Gastro-intestinal Products	sennosides/docusate sodium 8.6/50 mg tablet	Covered product; add the following quantity limit:  ■ QL – 8 tablets/day

#### For more information

The PA criteria, SUPDL and OTC Drug Formulary can be found on the <a href="Optum Rx Indiana Medicaid website">Optum Rx Indiana Medicaid website</a>. Notices of the DUR Board meetings and agendas are posted on the <a href="FSSA website">FSSA website</a> 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 SUPDL under the FFS pharmacy benefit or this bulletin to the Optum Rx 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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