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IHCP announces expansion of the SUPDL to include drugs reimbursed through medical benefits

The Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) implemented the Statewide Uniform Preferred Drug List (SUPDL) on July 1, 2023, as announced in *IHCP Bulletin* [BT202270](#), requiring all managed care entity (MCE) drug benefits to align with fee-for-service (FFS) step therapy, utilization edits and prior authorization (PA) criteria for drugs listed on the FFS Preferred Drug List (PDL). Effective April 1, 2024, physician-administered drugs listed on the SUPDL that are reimbursed through managed care **medical** benefits must also align with the FFS PDL step therapy, edits and criteria.

MCEs are permitted to direct reimbursement of drugs through either the pharmacy benefit, the medical benefit or both; however, all criteria, step therapy and utilization edits for SUPDL drugs must match FFS requirements, regardless of the reimbursement path. As a result, effective for claims with dates of service (DOS)

on or after April 1, 2024, the IHCP will require prescribers to follow SUPDL requirements for physician-administered drugs, reimbursed through medical benefits.

For more information

The SUPDL, PA criteria, step therapy and utilization edits can be found on the Optum Rx Indiana Medicaid website, accessible from the [Pharmacy Services](#) page at in.gov/medicaid/providers.

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 about PA for FFS physician-administered drug services should be directed to Acentra Health Customer Service at 866-725-9991. Questions regarding drug benefits for members in the Healthy Indiana Plan (HIP), Hoosier Care Connect and Hoosier Healthwise should be referred to the MCE with which the member is enrolled.



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