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Pharmacy Facts

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MHDL Updates

Below are certain updates to the MassHealth Drug List (MHDL). See the MHDL for a complete list of updates.

1. Additions

The following newly marketed drugs have been added to the MassHealth Drug List as of September 30, 2013.

BIVIGAM (immune globulin IV, human) – PA Cystaran (cysteamine ophthalmic) – PA dextroamphetamine 2.5 mg and 7.5 mg tablets – PA Minastrin 24 FE (ethinyl estradiol/norethindrone/ ferrous fumarate chewable)
Namenda XR (memantine ER) – PA Quartette (levonorgestrel/ethinyl estradiol)
Revlimid (lenalidomide 20 mg) – PA > 21 units / 28 days
Tafinlar (dabrafenib) – PA
Vecamyl (mecamylamine) – PAKyprolis (carfilzomib) – PA

2. Change in Prior Authorization Status

a. The following topical anesthetic will be covered without prior authorization regardless of quantity or days of treatment effective September 30, 2013.

Lidocaine/prilocaine

b. The following agents will be covered without prior authorization within newly established quantity limits, effective September 30, 2013.

Imitrex # (sumatriptan tablet) – PA > 18 units/month Maxalt # (rizatriptan tablet) – PA > 18 units/month

- c. The following vitamin D analogue will require prior authorization above quantity limits as listed below effective October 14, 2013.
 Calcitrene (calcipotriene ointment) PA > 60 grams/month
- d. The following tricyclic antidepressant will require prior authorization effective October 14, 2013.

Anafranil (clomipramine) - PA

3. Corrections / Clarifications

 The following drugs have been added to the MassHealth Drug List. They were omitted in error. This does not reflect any change in MassHealth policy.

> Alsuma (sumatriptan injection) – **PA** Moxatag (amoxicillin extended-release) – **PA** Nexplanon (etonogestrel implant))

b. The following listings have been clarified. These changes do not reflect any change in MassHealth policy.

desvenlafaxine ER – PA
Dexedrine # (dextroamphetamine 5 mg, 10 mg, 15 mg capsule and tablet) – PA > 90 units/month
dextroamphetamine solution – PA > 900 ml/month
Ferrlecit # (sodium ferric gluconate complex)
Pristiq (desvenlafaxine succinate ER) – PA
Suclear Bowel Prep Kit (polyethylene glycol electrolyte solution) – PA
Travatan Z (travoprost 0.004% eye drop) – PA
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This is a brand-name drug with FDA "A" -rated generic equivalents. Prior authorization is required for the brand, unless a particular form of that drug (for example, tablet, capsule, or liquid) does not have an FDA "A" -rated generic equivalent.

PA Prior authorization is required, The .prescriber must obtain prior authorization for the drug in order for the pharmacy to receive payment.plee