

Pharmacy Update

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Children's OTC Analgesic and Decongestant Medications

Effective February 1, 2008, liquid formulations of single ingredient decongestant products will be covered for members 6 to 12 years of age. Liquid formulations of ibuprofen and acetaminophen will be covered for members 0 to 20 years of age. A limit of three fills of these products per 365 days applies, with a quantity limit of 4 oz. or 120 ml for each fill. Cough suppressants and expectorants will no longer be covered.

An updated list of covered products will be available online at www.okhca.org.

Prior Authorization Changes

The following medications will require prior authorization or step therapy effective January 30, 2008:

• <u>Antihypertensive</u>: Avalide, Tarka

• Anti-Ulcer: Protonix, Zegerid packets

• Fibric Acid Derivative: Antara, Tricor

• Ophthalmic: AK Spore HC, Alphagan, Azopt, Betoptic-S, Blephamide,

Cortisporin, Isopto Carbachol, Lopidine 1%, Lumigan, Maxitrol, Miostat, Phospholine Iodide, Pred-G, Poly-Pred, Timoptic 0.5% Dropperette, Tobradex, Trusopt, Zylet

• Skeletal Muscle Relaxant: Skelaxin

• Stimulant / ADHD: Metadate CD

The following medications will no longer require prior authorization or step therapy effective January 30, 2008:

• Antihypertensive: Avapro, Micardis, Sular

Complete prior authorization tiers and approval criteria are available online at www.okhca.org . To request a faxed copy of tiers and criteria, please contact the SoonerCare Pharmacy Help Desk.

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