

# **Pharmacy Update**

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#### Ovide® Prior Authorization

- Malathion lotion (Ovide<sup>®</sup>) is now available after first-line treatment with a covered OTC product such as permethrin has failed. A trial with Lindane<sup>®</sup> is no longer required.
- Member must be at least 6 years old.
- A quantity limit of 60ml for 7 day supply applies; may be repeated once if needed for current infestation after 7 days from original fill date.

### **Ocular Allergy Prior Authorization**

Effective August 18, Elestat<sup>®</sup>, Alrex<sup>®</sup>, and Alocril<sup>®</sup> will require prior authorization:

## **Ocular Allergy Medications**

Tier-1 products are covered with no authorization necessary.

#### Tier-2 authorization requires:

- FDA approved diagnosis
- A trial of at least one Tier 1 product of a similar type for a minimum of two weeks in the last 30 days (ie: cromolyn sodium prior to use of a mast cell stabilizer product or OTC Zaditor® prior to use of a tier two in the same category)
- Documentation of clinical need for Tier 2 product over Tier 1 should be noted on the petition
- Clinical exceptions granted for products with allergic reaction or contraindication

Tier-1 (no PA required)	Tier-2 (requires PA)
cromolyn sodium (Opticrom®)	lodoxamide tromethamine (Alomide®)
azelastine (Optivar®)	pemirolast potassium (Alamast®)
ketotifen fumarate (Alaway™)	emedastine difumarate (Emadine®)
ketotifen fumarate (Zaditor® OTC)	epinastine (Elestat®)
olopatadine (Pataday™)	loteprednol etabonate (Alrex®)
olopatadine (Patanol®)	nedocromil sodium (Alocril®)