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Virginia Medicaid Preferred Drug List / Common Core Formulary and New Drug Utilization Review Board Approved Drug Service Authorizations Effective July 1, 2024

The purpose of this bulletin is to notify providers about routine changes to Virginia Medicaid fee-for-service Preferred Drug List (PDL) Program (also known as the Common Core Formulary or CCF) for drugs reviewed by the Department's Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee on 3/21/24, 6/27/24, and 7/23/24 and new drug service authorization (SA) requirements for drugs reviewed by the Drug Utilization Review Board in March and June of 2024.

The Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee is authorized by [12VAC30-130-1000](#) and the Drug Utilization Review Board is authorized by [12VAC30-130-340](#). The meetings of these committees are open to the public and are posted on the Virginia Town Hall meetings page.

The PDL/CCF is a list of preferred drugs, by select therapeutic class, for which the Medicaid FFS program may allow payment without requiring a SA. The PDL/CCF program aims to provide clinically effective and safe drugs to its Members in a cost-effective manner. Your continued compliance with and support of this program and its policies are critical to its success.

The PDL/CCF is applicable to the Medicaid, FAMIS Plus fee-for-service populations and non-dual eligible Members covered under the Managed Care Program. The Virginia Medicaid PDL/CCF does not apply to Members enrolled in FAMIS or Members with Medicare Part D Plans.

Drug Utilization Review Board - March 2024 Summary

The Board reviewed 6 new medications - Augtyro™, Fruzzaqla™, Iwilfin™, Ogsiveo™, Truqap™, and Wainua™. Additionally, the board reviewed the results of several utilization analyses: the impact reports for 6 new DUR medications (Augtyro™, Fruzzaqla™, Iwilfin™, Ogsiveo™, Truqap™, and Wainua™); Hepatitis C Compliance; concurrent use of opioids and benzodiazepines; concurrent use of a opioids and antipsychotics; overlaps in opioids, benzodiazepines and antipsychotics; antipsychotic medications in children; antidepressant medications in children; mood stabilizer medications in children; overlaps in antipsychotics, antidepressants and mood stabilizers in children; proDUR reports and utilization analysis reports.

Drug Utilization Review Board - June 2024 Summary



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The Board reviewed 10 gene therapy drugs - Casgevy™, Elevidys, Hemgenix®, Luxturna®, Lyfgenia™, Roctavian™, Skysona®, Vyjuvek®, Zolgensma® and Zynteglo™. Additionally, the Board reviewed the results of several utilization analyses: the impact reports for the 10 gene therapy drugs (Casgevy™, Elevidys, Hemgenix®, Luxturna®, Lyfgenia™, Roctavian™, Skysona®, Vyjuvek®, Zolgensma® and Zynteglo™); utilization of oral oncology – lung cancer and other neoplasm drugs; concurrent use of opioids and benzodiazepines; concurrent use of opioids and antipsychotics; overlaps in opioids, benzodiazepines and antipsychotics; and naloxone and buprenorphine utilization for members on opioids.

March 2024 P&T Meeting PDL/CCF Changes

Virginia Preferred Drug List Changes Effective July 1, 2024

Drug Class	Preferred	Non-Preferred (requires SA)
Stimulants and related agents for Narcolepsy (existing closed class)	Armodafinil tablet Modafanil tablet Sunosi tablet	
Multiple Sclerosis Agents (existing closed class)	Teriflunomide tablet	Aubagio tablet
Antimigraine Agents, Other (existing closed class)	Qulipta	
Immunomodulators, Asthma (new closed class)	Fasenra pen/syringe Xolair pen/syringe/vial	Cinqair injection Nucala autoinjector/syringe/vial Tezspire pen/syringe
Macrolides/ketolides	Erythromycin base tablet DR	Erythromycin base capsule DR
Acne Agents, Topical	Clindamycin phosphate gel	Sulfacetamide sodium/sulfur cleanser Clindamycin/benzoyl peroxide with pump ZMA clear cleanser
Opiate Dependence Treatments (existing closed class)	Brixadi injection weekly and monthly	

Classes in red designate Common Core Formulary “closed classes”

AG=Authorized generic

June 2024 P&T Meeting PDL/CCF Changes

Virginia Preferred Drug List Changes Effective October 1, 2024

Drug Class	Preferred	Non-Preferred (requires SA)
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Colony Stimulating
Factors (new closed
class)

Neupogen Syringe
Neupogen Vial
Fulphila syringe

Fylnetra syringe
Granix syringe/vial
Leukine injection
Neulasta kit/syringe
Nivestym syringe/vial
Nyvepria syringe
Releuko syringe/vial
Rolvedon syringe
Stimufed syringe
Udenyca
syringe/autoinjector/Onbody
Zarxio syringe
Ziextenzo syringe

Glucagon Agents
(existing closed class)

Zegalogue
syringe/autoinjector

Glucagon syringe
Glucagon emergency kit
(amphastat and Fresenius)
Gvoke pen/syringe/vial
Nutropin AQ pen

Growth Hormone
(existing closed class)
Duchenne Muscular
Dystrophy (new closed
class)

Emflaza tablet/susp

Deflazacort tablet
Agamree susp
Exondys-51 injection
Amondys-45 injection
Vyondys-53 injection
Viltepso injection
Amitiza capsule

GI Motility Chronic

Lubiprostone capsule (AG)

Hepatitis B Agents
(new closed class)

Entecavir tablet
Lamivudine HBV tablet

Adefovir dipivoxil
Baraclude tablet/solution
Epivir HBV solution
Lamivudine HBV tablet (AG)
Vemlidy
Prezista tablet
Adderall XR capsule
Vyvanse chewable

HIV/AIDS
Stimulants and Related
Agents (existing closed
class)

Darunavir tablet
Amphetamine salt combo
ER capsule and AG
Dextroamphetamine ER
capsule

Anticonvulsants
(existing closed class)

Carbamazepine XR

Valtoco nasal spray

Hypoglycemics, SGLT2
(existing closed class)

Synjardy XR tablet

Invokana tablet
Invokamet tablet
Fluticasone HFA (AG)
Fluticasone diskus (AG)

Glucocorticoids,
Inhaled (existing closed
class)

Alvesco
Asmanex HFA
QVAR Redihaler

Cytokine and CAM
Antagonists (existing
closed class)

Simlandi injection
Tyenne injection

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July 2024 P&T Meeting PDL/CCF Changes

Virginia Preferred Drug List Changes Effective August 1, 2024

Drug Class	Preferred	Non-Preferred (requires SA)
Weight management agents (existing closed class)		Saxenda injection Wegovy injection

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PROVIDER CONTACT INFORMATION & RESOURCES

Virginia Medicaid

Web Portal

Automated Response System (ARS)

Member eligibility, claims status, payment status, service limits, service authorization status, and remittance advice.

<https://vamedicaid.dmas.virginia.gov/>

Medicall (Audio Response System)

Member eligibility, claims status, payment status, service limits, service authorization status, and remittance advice.

1-800-884-9730 or 1-800-772-9996

Provider Appeals

DMAS launched an appeals portal in 2021. You can use this portal to file appeals and track the status of your appeals. Visit the website listed for appeal resources and to register for the portal.

<https://www.dmas.virginia.gov/appeals/>

Managed Care Programs

Cardinal Care Managed Care and Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE). In order to be reimbursed for services provided to a managed care enrolled individual, providers must follow their respective contract with the managed care plan/PACE provider. The managed care plan may utilize different guidelines than those described for Medicaid fee-for-service individuals.

Cardinal Care Managed Care PACE

[https://www.dmas.virginia.gov/for-providers/managed-care/cardinal-care-managed-care/Program of All-inclusive Care \(virginia.gov\)](https://www.dmas.virginia.gov/for-providers/managed-care/cardinal-care-managed-care/Program%20of%20All-inclusive%20Care%20(virginia.gov))

Acentra Health

Behavioral Health Services

<https://vamedicaid.dmas.virginia.gov/sa>



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Provider Enrollment

In-State: 804-270-5105
Out of State Toll Free: 888-829-5373
Email: VAMedicaidProviderEnrollment@gainwelltechnologies.com

Provider HELPLINE

Monday-Friday 8:00
a.m.-5:00 p.m. For
provider use only, have
Medicaid Provider ID
Number available.
Aetna Better Health of
Virginia

1-804-786-6273
1-800-552-8627
<https://www.aetnabetterhealth.com/virginia/providers/index.html>
1-800-279-1878

Anthem HealthKeepers
Plus

<http://www.anthem.com/>
1-800-901-0020

Molina Complete Care

1-800-424-4524
<https://www.molinahealthcare.com/providers/va/medicaid/home.aspx>

Sentara Community Plan

1-800-881-2166 <https://www.sentarahealthplans.com/providers>

United Healthcare

www.uhcprovider.com/
1-844-284-0149

Dental Provider

DentaQuest

1-888-912-3456