Oklahoma Medicaid Pharmacy Update

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Dear Provider,

Effective October 1st OHCA will be initiating Product Based Prior Authorization on bladder control drugs. Currently available drugs will be divided into the following tiers:

Bladder Control	
Tier 1	Tier 2
flavoxate	Ditropan XL
oxybutynin	
hyoscyamine*	
Detrol	
Detrol LA	
Enablex	
Oxytrol	
Sanctura	
VESIcare	

*hyoscyamine can be used as adjuvant therapy only; by itself, it will not count toward a tier-2

Please remind staff involved in direct patient care that the following symptoms are some of the most commonly associated side effects of these drugs:

dry mouth, constipation, dizziness, confusion, weakness, blurred vision, somnolence, impaired urination, urinary tract infection, headache, confusion, and insomnia.

Because these side effects can lead to noncompliance, falls, and other adverse outcomes, particularly in the elderly, it is imperative that they be reported and that steps are taken to alleviate them.

Patients who are currently stabilized on a Tier-2 medication will be allowed to continue their current treatment without prior authorization.

New Tier-2 drug prescriptions will be subject to the following criteria prior to approval for payment:

- tier-1 drug failure (i.e. inadequate clinical response or adverse effect), or
- contraindication to the tier-1 drugs, or
- need for the tier-2 drug for a unique indication which the tier-1 drugs lack.

Thank you for your continued service to Oklahoma's Medicaid clients. If you have questions, please call the Pharmacy Help Desk at 405-271-6349 or 1-800-831-8921.