



UPDATE ‘Ohana Medicaid Preferred Drug List

February 11, 2010

Dear Provider:

At the January 28, 2010 WellCare Pharmacy & Therapeutics Committee meeting, it was decided that the following Drug Efficacy Study Implementation (DESI) medications (drugs introduced to the market between 1938 and 1962 that were approved for safety, but not effectiveness, and drugs that are identical, related or similar) will be removed from the ‘Ohana Medicaid Preferred Drug List (PDL), effective **March 15, 2010**:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anucort-HC™ 25mg suppositories • Chlordex GP syrup • Covaryx™ tablets • Covaryx™ HS tablets • EEMT tablets • EEMT HS tablets • Essian™ tablets • Essian™ HS tablets • Epidrin 65-100-325mg capsules • Esterified Estrogens/Methyltestosterone tablets • Esterified Estrogens/Methyltestosterone DS 1.25mg-2.5mg tablets • Esterified Estrogens/Methyltestosterone HS 0.625mg-1.25mg tablets | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hemorrhoidal-HC 25mg suppositories • Hydrocortisone/Iodoquinol 1%/1% cream • Hydrocortisone Acetate 25mg, 30mg suppositories • Isometheptene/APAP/Dichloralphenaz one 65-100-325mg capsules • Methyltestosterone/Esterified Estrogens tablets • Methyltestosterone/Esterified Estrogens HS tablets • Nitroglycerin SR 2.5mg, CR 6.5mg, TD 2.5mg, 6.5mg, 9mg capsules • Quartuss™ syrup • RE Pramoxine-HC otic drops |
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In order to ensure we offer our members the best care possible, effective **March 15, 2010**, all DESI classified medications will no longer be a covered benefit for ‘Ohana Medicaid members.

Brand Name	Generic Name	Therapeutic Class	Alternative(s)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anucort-HC™ 25mg Suppositories • Hemorrhoidal-HC 25mg Suppositories • Hydrocortisone Acetate 25mg, 30mg suppositories 	Hydrocortisone Acetate	Topical Antiinflammatory Agent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proctosol-HC 2.5% Rectal Cream
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chlordex GP syrup • Quartuss™ syrup 	Chlorpheniramine; Dextromethorphan; Guaifenesin; Phenylephrine	Antitussive/Decongestant/Expectorant/Sedating H1-Blocker Antihistamine Combination	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bromphenex™ DM solution • EndaCof-DM syrup

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Covaryx™ tablets • Covaryx HS tablets • EEMT tablets • EEMT HS tablets • Essian™ tablets • Essian™ HS tablets • Esterified Estrogens/Methyltestosterone tablets • Esterified Estrogens/Methyltestosterone DS 1.25mg-2.5mg tablets • Esterified Estrogens/Methyltestosterone HS 0.625mg-1.25mg tablets • Methyltestosterone/Esterified Estrogens tablets • Methyltestosterone/Esterified Estrogens HS tablets 	Esterified Estrogens; Methyltestosterone	Hormone and Hormone Modifiers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prempro® tablets • Premphase® tablets
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Epidrin 65-100-325mg capsules • Isometheptene/APAP/Dichloralphenazone 65-100-325mg capsules 	Isometheptene/Dichloralphenazone/Acetaminophen	Anti-Migraine Agent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Migranal® 4mg/mL nasal spray (QL*: 8 per 31 days) • Sumatriptan tablets (QL: 12 per 31 days)
Hydrocortisone/Iodoquinol 1%/1% cream	Hydrocortisone/Iodoquinol	Topical Antiinfective/Anti-inflammatory Combination	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clotrimazole/Betamethasone Dipropionate 1%-0.05% topical cream
Nitroglycerin SR 2.5mg, CR 6.5mg, TD 2.5mg, 6.5mg, 9mg capsules	Nitroglycerin	Antianginals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nitroglycerin Transdermal patch
RE Pramoxine-HC otic drops	Chloroxylenol; Hydrocortisone; Pramoxine	Otic Antiinfective/Anti-inflammatory Combinations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acetasol HC otic solution • Neo/Poly/HC otic solution

*QL: Quality Limit

If you have questions, 'Ohana Health Plan's Pharmacy Help Desk, and its affiliated vendor—Walgreens Health Initiatives (WHI), are available to assist providers seven days a week, 24 hours a day at **1-888-505-1198**.

Thank you for your care of 'Ohana Medicaid members.

Sincerely,

'Ohana Health Plan Pharmacy

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