## **Buprenorphine** (Brixadi<sup>TM</sup>)

Point-of-Sale (POS) edits are safety limitations that are automatically verified through computer programming at the time that a prescription claim is submitted at the pharmacy. These edits can be applied to *any* medication, whether or not it is listed in the Preferred Drug List / Non-Preferred Drug List (PDL/NPDL). The first section of this document is organized to follow the order of the therapeutic classes in the PDL/NPDL and explains the POS edits for those medications.

## **POS Abbreviations**

AL – Age Limit	DS – Maximum Days' Supply Allowed	<b>PU</b> – Prior Use of Other Medication is Required
<b>BH</b> – Behavioral Health Clinical Authorization for Children Younger than 7 Years of Age	<b>DT</b> – Duration of Therapy Limit	<b>QL</b> – Quantity Limit
<b>BY</b> – Diagnosis Codes Bypass Some Requirements	<b>DX</b> – Diagnosis Code Requirement	RX – Specific Prescription Requirement
<b>CL</b> – Additional Clinical Information is Required	<b>ER</b> – Early Refill	<b>TD</b> – Therapeutic Duplication
<b>CU</b> – Concurrent Use with Other Medication is Restricted	MD – Maximum Dose Limit	YQ – Yearly Quantity Limit
<b>DD</b> – Drug-Drug Interaction	MME – Maximum Morphine Milligram Equivalent is Restricted	

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## **POS Edits**

AL – This agent is limited to use in recipients who are at least 18 years of age.

CU – This agent is monitored at POS for concurrent use with other agents.

- Incoming pharmacy claims for an opioid analgesic will deny when the recipient has an active prescription (a prescription in which the days' supply has not expired) for this agent.
- Incoming pharmacy claims for a benzodiazepine will deny when the recipient has an active prescription (a prescription in which the days' supply has not expired) for this agent.

**DD** – Pharmacy claims for naltrexone tablets or naltrexone extended-release injectable suspension (Vivitrol®) will deny for drug-drug interaction when the recipient has an active prescription (a prescription in which the days' supply has not expired) for this agent and vice versa.

**DX** – Pharmacy claims for this agent must be submitted with a diagnosis code for opioid dependence (F11.2\*).

\* Any number or letter or combination of UP TO FOUR numbers and letters of an assigned ICD-10-CM diagnosis code

<b>QL</b> – This agent has
quantity limits as listed
in the chart to the right.

Quantity Limits		
Generic (Brand Example)	Quantity Limit	
Buprenorphine Extended-Release Injection (Brixadi <sup>TM</sup> ) 8mg (weekly)	4 units/21 days	
Buprenorphine Extended-Release Injection (Brixadi <sup>TM</sup> ) 16mg (weekly)	4 units/21 days	
Buprenorphine Extended-Release Injection (Brixadi <sup>TM</sup> ) 24mg (weekly)	4 units/21 days	
Buprenorphine Extended-Release Injection (Brixadi <sup>TM</sup> ) 32mg (weekly)	4 units/21 days	
Buprenorphine Extended-Release Injection (Brixadi <sup>TM</sup> ) 64mg (monthly)	1 unit/21 days	
Buprenorphine Extended-Release Injection (Brixadi <sup>TM</sup> ) 96mg (monthly)	1 unit/21 days	
Buprenorphine Extended-Release Injection (Brixadi <sup>TM</sup> ) 128mg (monthly)	1 unit/21 days	

**TD** – This agent is monitored at the pharmacy POS for duplication of therapy with other buprenorphine or buprenorphine/naloxone agents.

- Incoming prescriptions for buprenorphine or buprenorphine/naloxone agents will deny when the recipient has an active prescription (a prescription in which the days' supply has not expired) for any buprenorphine or buprenorphine/naloxone agent.

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