Louisiana Medicaid
Asthma/COPD – Beta-Agonist Bronchodilators

The *Louisiana Uniform Prescription Drug Prior Authorization Form* should be utilized to request prior authorization for non-preferred beta-agonist bronchodilators.

Additional Point-of-Sale edits may apply.

By submitting the authorization request, the prescriber attests to the conditions available HERE.
~~*These agents may have **Black Box Warnings** and/or may be subject to **Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategy (REMS)** under FDA safety regulations. Please refer to individual prescribing information for details.*~~

Approval Criteria for Initiation and Continuation of Therapy

~~**Approval Criteria for Initial and Reauthorization Requests**~~

- ~~For albuterol sulfate MDI (authorized generic for Ventolin HFA®), there has been a treatment failure or intolerable side effect with or contraindication to brand Ventolin HFA®; **OR**~~
- There is no preferred alternative that is the exact same chemical entity, formulation, strength, etc.; **AND**
- Previous use of a preferred product - **ONE** of the following is required:
  - The recipient has had a *treatment failure* with at least one preferred product; **OR**
  - The recipient has had an *intolerable side effect* to at least one preferred product; **OR**
  - The recipient has *documented contraindication(s)* to all of the preferred products that are appropriate to use for the condition being treated; **OR**
  - There is *no preferred product that is appropriate* to use for the condition being treated.~~;~~ ~~**AND**~~
- ~~By submitting the authorization request, the prescriber attests to the following:~~
  - ~~The prescribing information for the requested medication has been thoroughly reviewed, including any Black Box Warning, Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategy (REMS), contraindications, minimum age requirements, recommended dosing, and prior treatment requirements; **AND**~~
  - ~~All laboratory testing and clinical monitoring recommended in the prescribing information have been completed as of the date of the request and will be repeated as recommended; **AND**~~
  - ~~The recipient has no concomitant drug therapies or disease states that limit the use of the requested medication and will not be receiving the requested medication in combination with any other medication that is contraindicated or not recommended per FDA labeling.~~

Duration of approval for initiation and continuation of therapy~~**Duration of initial and reauthorization approval**~~**: 12 months**

References

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