

**Louisiana Medicaid**  
**Diabetes – Hypoglycemics – Incretin Mimetics / Enhancers**

The *Louisiana Uniform Prescription Drug Prior Authorization Form* should be utilized to request:

- Prior authorization for non-preferred incretin mimetic/enhancers (except GLP-1 agonists); **AND**
- Clinical authorization for GLP-1 agonists.

Additional Point-of-Sale edits may apply.

By submitting the authorization request, the prescriber attests to the conditions available [HERE](#).

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**Approval Criteria for Initiation and Continuation of Therapy (Except GLP-1 Agonists)**

- There is no preferred alternative that is the exact same chemical entity, formulation, strength, etc.; **AND**
- If the request is for a DPP-4, the prescriber attests that the requested DPP-4 agent will not be used concurrently with a GLP-1 agent; **AND**
- If the request is for a DPP-4, the recipient has had a failure to respond or an intolerance to one preferred DPP-4; **OR**
- If the request is for a DPP-4 / metformin combination, the recipient has had a failure to respond or an intolerance to one preferred DPP-4 / metformin combination; **OR**
- If the request is for DPP-4 / metformin extended-release combination, the recipient has had a failure to respond or an intolerance to one preferred DPP-4 / metformin extended release combination; **OR**
- If the request is for a DPP-4 / thiazolidinedione combination, the recipient has had a failure to respond or an intolerance to one preferred alternative in this therapeutic class; **OR**
- If the request is for a non-preferred amylin analog:
  - The prescriber **states on the request** that the recipient has failed to achieve glycemic control despite optimal insulin therapy; **AND**
  - The recipient has had a failure to respond or an intolerance to one preferred amylin analog (if available); **OR**
- **ONE** of the following is required:
  - The recipient has a *documented contraindication* 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; **OR**
  - The recipient is established on the medication with positive clinical outcomes.

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

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**GLP-1 Agonists**

**Initial Approval Criteria**

- The recipient meets the minimum age requirement (see POS Edits); **AND**
- The recipient has a diagnosis of type 2 diabetes mellitus; **AND**
- Documentation is provided confirming a history a hemoglobin A1C (A1C)  $\geq$  6.5%, with associated date. Note: Established therapy without the above-referenced history of an A1C  $\geq$  6.5% is not accepted for initial approval; **AND**

- ~~ONE of the following: (A1C test results and date must be stated on the request)~~
- ~~The recipient has a hemoglobin A1C (A1C)  $\geq$  6.5% obtained within the previous 6-month period; OR~~
- ~~ALL of the following:~~
- ~~The recipient has an A1C  $<$  6.5% obtained within the previous 6-month period; AND~~
- ~~The recipient has a history of an A1C  $\geq$  6.5%; AND~~
- By submitting the authorization request, the prescriber attests that the requested GLP-1 agent will not be useused concurrently with a DPP-4 agent; **AND**
- If request is for a non-preferred GLP-1 agent – **ONE** of the following is required:
  - The recipient has had a *treatment failure* with at least one preferred GLP-1 product; **OR**
  - The recipient has had an *intolerable side effect* to at least one preferred GLP-1 product; **OR**
  - The recipient has *documented contraindication(s)* to all of the preferred GLP-1 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.

### **Subsequent Approval Criteria**

*Note: Subsequent approval criteria should be used only if the recipient has previously obtained an initial approval using the criteria listed above.*

- The prescriber states on the request that the recipient is established on the medication with evidence of a positive response to therapy.

**Duration of approval for initial or subsequent requests: ~~612~~ months**

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