

# Provider Memorandum

## Medications for Treatment of Hepatitis C

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration approved a new class of medications to treat Hepatitis C, oral nucleotide analogues, in December of 2013. These medications are taken orally and have a reported higher sustained virological response than previous treatments. Prior Authorization (PA) is needed for these medications. A specific Medication for Treatment of Chronic Hepatitis C Prior Authorization form needs to be filled out completely. The form can be found at: <http://www.molinahealthcare.com/providers/il/PDF/Medicaid/treatment-of-chronic-hepatitis-c.pdf>. The following information, along with the above form, is needed for PA on each of these medications for Molina Medicaid Members.

- Laboratory documentation of **HCV genotype**
- Laboratory documentation of **viral load** within the past six months
- Laboratory documentation of Stage 3 or greater fibrosis confirmed by either a.) **liver biopsy** (METAVIR F3 or F4 or Ishak score 4 or greater) or b.) **ultrasound based transient elastography Fibroscan** score greater than or equal to 9.5 kPa (**NOTE:** Fibrosure, Fibrotest, or Fibrospect will NOT be accepted by Molina Healthcare)
- Documentation of **Child-Pugh score**
- Laboratory documentation of **liver & renal function tests** within the **past 30 days**
- Documentation that the Member does not have a clinically-significant medical disorder(s) or medical (including cardiac)/psychiatric/social comorbidities (i.e., **past medical history**)
- Documentation of abstinence from alcohol/drug (i.e., **social history**) use & stable psychiatric condition within the past six months
- Laboratory documentation of **urine drug screen** within the past 30 days
- A validated **substance abuse screening** tool administered within 30 days
- Documentation that Member has been **counseled on the importance of medication adherence**
- **Supporting clinical notes and laboratory results (NOTE: In addition to a completed Hepatitis C Prior Authorization form, it is critical that supporting clinical notes and laboratory results are attached to the request.)**

Thank you for your assistance with this process and caring for Molina Members.

The Molina Healthcare of Illinois Pharmacy team is available to answer your questions Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at (855) 866-5462, option 1, then 2. You may also visit our website at [www.MolinaHealthcare.com](http://www.MolinaHealthcare.com) to learn more about Molina Healthcare.