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MOLINA HEALTHCARE OF UTAH PHARMACY UPDATES

<u>Methadone:</u> A reminder that methadone is a non-formulary product for Molina Medicaid members. Per CDC opioid prescribing guidelines, when starting opioid therapy for chronic pain, prescribers should initiate therapy with immediate-release opioids first instead of long acting or extended release products. Should a long-acting opioid product be needed, formulary alternatives include agents such as morphine sulfate ER and fentanyl (requires PA).

Drug List Updates:

Medicaid/CHIP:

Formulary Removals

- Janumet (use alogliptin/metformin instead)
- Janumet XR (use alogliptin/metformin instead)
- Januvia (use alogliptin instead)
- Jentadueto (us alogliptin/metformin instead)
- Lantus Solostar (use Basaglar instead)
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- Pulmicort Flexhaler (use Aerospan or Arnuity Ellipta or QVAR instead)
- Symbicort (use Dulera or Breo Ellipta or Advair Diskus 100/50 instead)
- Tradjenta (use alogliptin instead)
- Tudorza (use Incruse Ellipta or Atrovent instead)

Formulary Additions

- Arnuity Ellipta
- o Breo Ellipta
- Basaglar
- Chloroquine
- o Letairis with PA
- Opsumit with PA
- Rhogam
- Uptravi with PA

Step Therapy and PA removals

- Dulera remove ST
- Irbesartan remove ST
- Irbesartan/HCT remove ST
- Mefloquine remove PA

Marketplace:

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<u>Information for Pharmacies</u>: For afterhours questions related to pharmacy claim processing, please contact the **Caremark Help Desk at 800-364-6331**. To prevent a member's condition from worsening in an urgent situation, it may be necessary to dispense a 72-hour supply of an acute medication before prior authorization may be obtained from Molina. For afterhours emergency prescription overrides, please contact the Molina Nurse Advice line at 888-275-8750.

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT THE FORMULARY IS ALSO AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD AT WWW.MOLINAHEALTHCARE.COM