Pharmacy Update

Pharmacy Help Desk Phone Numbers (405)522-6205 option 4 or (800)522-0114 option 4
Service Hours: Monday – Friday (8:30a – 7:00p); Saturday (9:00a – 5:00p); Sunday (11:00a – 5:00p)
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PA Criteria: www.okhca.org/providers/rx/pa  PA forms: www.okhca.org/rx-forms

June 28, 2011

Anticonvulsants Quantity Limits
Quantity Limits for anticonvulsants take effect July 12, 2011. In order to avoid triggering quantity limit rejections in error, please verify that the days’ supply submitted on claims is accurate.

There are typically no dosage limits on these products when treating certain conditions, such as seizures. However, dosing can be optimized by achieving the desired daily dose in as few tablets as possible, relieving patient pill burden and reducing waste.

Quantity limit restrictions will be placed on lower strength tablets and capsules. The highest strengths will continue to have no quantity restrictions unless a maximum dose is specified for a particular medication.

For a list of product-specific quantity limits, please see www.okhca.org/providers/rx.

Antidepressants Prior Authorization
The generic version of Effexor XR® (venlafaxine extended release) capsules are now available as a Tier 1 product, with no prior authorization required. Venlafaxine Extended Release Tabs® remain a Tier 3 product. For a complete list of medication tiers and authorization criteria, please see www.okhca.org/providers/rx/PA.

Independence Day
The OHCA Pharmacy Help Desk will be closed on Sunday, July 3rd and Monday, July 4th for the holiday.

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