

Dear SoonerCare Provider,

**Prednisolone Oral Solution Coverage Update: Millipred®, Veripred 20®**

The purpose of this letter is to provide you with a SoonerCare coverage update regarding prednisolone oral solutions. **Millipred®** (prednisolone 10mg/5ml, oral solution) and **Veripred 20®** (prednisolone 20mg/5ml, oral solution) have an average cost of \$274.80 for a 10 day course of treatment. Alternative generic products are readily available and have an average cost of \$20.63 for a 10 day course of treatment. As a result, these products will require **prior authorization effective October 5, 2015**.

The following are glucocorticoid steroid solutions that do not require prior authorization and could be considered as an alternative for Millipred® and Veripred 20®:

- **Prednisolone oral solution 15mg/5ml**
- **Prednisolone oral solution 5mg/5ml**
- **Dexamethasone oral solution 0.5mg/5ml** (see chart for equivalent dosing)

SoonerCare prescribers have been provided with a chart highlighting glucocorticoid steroid equivalencies in the event they decide to use alternative solid-dosage form glucocorticoid medications in place of the solutions listed above.

We anticipate these options will meet the needs of your patients. However, if they do not, a prescriber may choose to submit a prior authorization for consideration, including patient-specific, clinically significant supporting information for use of the requested medication.

**Please entirely complete section I of the prior authorization form before submitting to the prescriber.** Missing or incomplete information will result in delayed processing of prior authorizations and may result in possible denial of medication coverage. Please call the SoonerCare Pharmacy Help Desk if you require assistance completing a prior authorization form, or if you have not received a response from SoonerCare **within 24 hours**.

Thank you for the services you provide to Oklahomans insured by SoonerCare!