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Dear SoonerCare Provider,

The Oklahoma Health Care Authority is engaged in an effort to improve cost effective utilization of non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) and topical corticosteroids by our members. The purpose of this fax is to provide updates regarding NSAID and topical corticosteroid coverage.

Effective February 16th, 2016, the following changes will be made to the NSAID category:
1. The following NSAIDs will move from Tier-1 to Tier-2:
   a. Lodine® (etodolac) 200mg and 300mg capsules
   b. Lodine XL® (etodolac extended-release) 400mg, 500mg, and 600mg tablets
   c. Meclomen® (meclofenamate) 50mg and 100mg capsules
   d. Anaprox® (naproxen sodium) 275mg and 550mg tablets
   e. Daypro® (oxaprozin) 600mg tablets
   f. Tolectin® (tolmetin) 200mg and 600mg tablets; 400mg capsules
2. Voltaren® (diclofenac sodium) 25mg tablets will have a quantity limit of 60 tablets per 30 days.

Updated versions of prior authorization criteria for NSAIDs can be downloaded from www.okhca.org/pa, by selecting “Skeletal System.”

Effective February 16th, 2016, the following changes will be made to the Topical Corticosteroid category:
1. The following topical corticosteroids will move from Tier-1 to Tier-2:
   a. Diflorasone diacetate 0.05% (Apexicon®, Apexicon E®) cream and ointment
   b. Halobetasol propionate (Ultravate®) ointment
   c. Clobetasol propionate 0.05% (Temovate®) cream and ointment
   d. Hydrocortisone valerate 0.2% cream
   e. Fluocinolone acetonide 0.01% (Synalar®, Derma-Smooth®, Derma-Smooth FS®) solution and oil
2. Fluocinonide 0.05% solution and betamethasone dipropionate 0.05% (Diprosone®) ointment will be moved from Tier-2 to Tier-1.

Updated versions of prior authorization criteria for topical corticosteroids can be downloaded from www.okhca.org/pa, by selecting “Topical.”

We anticipate the Tier-1 medications will meet the needs of your patients. However, if they do not, you may choose to submit a prior authorization for consideration, including patient-specific, clinically significant supporting information for use of the requested medication.

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