

Alabama Medicaid DUR Board Meeting Minutes

April 24, 2013

Members Present: Denyse Thornley-Brown, Paula Thompson, Kelli Littlejohn, Bernie Olin, Wendy Gomez, David Harwood, Dan McConaghy, Jimmy Jackson, Frank Pettyjohn, Robert Moon

Also Present: Tiffany Minnifield, Clemice Hurst, Lori Thomas, Gary Frazier

Present via Conference Call: Kristian Testerman, Chris Barwick, Holley Rice

Members Absent: Rhonda Harden, Donald Marks

Call to Order: The DUR meeting was called to order by D. Thornley-Brown at approximately 1:00p.m.

Review and Adoption of Minutes: The minutes of the January 23, 2013 meeting were presented and reviewed. Robert Moon made a motion to approve the minutes as presented and Paula Thompson seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Prior Authorization and Overrides Update: L.Thomas began the Prior Authorization and Overrides Update with the Monthly Manual Prior Authorizations and Overrides Report for the month of November 2012. She reported 9,197 total PA and override requests. She then reported 25,382 electronic PA requests for the same time frame. From the Prior Authorization and Override Response Time Ratio report for February 2012, L.Thomas reported that approximately 74% of all manual PAs and overrides were responded to in less than two hours, about 96-97% in less than four hours and 99% in less than eight hours. L. Thomas reminded the Board Members that 75% of PAs and overrides must be completed in less than 8 hours to meet contractual requirements. For the month of December 2012, L.Thomas reported 7,675 manual requests and 21,334 electronic PA requests. She reported that 80-81% of PAs and overrides were responded to in less than two hours, approximately 99% in less than four hours and 99% in less than eight hours. For the month of January 2013, L.Thomas reported 9,371 manual requests and 23,272 electronic PA requests for the same time frame. For January, L.Thomas reported that 71% of PAs and 69% of overrides were approved in less than two hours, approximately 94% in less than four hours and 99% approved in less than eight hours.

Program Summary Review: L.Thomas briefly reviewed the Alabama Medicaid Program Summary. She reported 4,494,970 total prescriptions, 239,277 average recipients per month and an average paid per prescription of \$57.53 for the third and fourth quarter of 2012.

Cost Management Analysis: L.Thomas reported an average cost per claim of \$58.26 for December 2012. From the 4th Quarter 2012 Drug Analysis, L.Thomas reported 76.8% generic utilization, 10.1% brand single-source, 4.3% brand multi-source (those requests which required a DAW override) and 8.9% OTC and "other". From the Top 25 Drugs Based on Number of Claims from 10/01/2012 – 12/31/2012, L.Thomas reported the top five drugs: hydrocodone-acetaminophen, amoxicillin, azithromycin, montelukast sodium, and omeprazole. L. Thomas reminded the Board that Singulair[®] became generic in August and therefore no claims were seen in the top 25 claims. She then reported the top five drugs from the Top 25 Drugs Based on Claims Cost from 10/01/2012 – 12/31/2012: Abilify[®], Synagis[®], Vyvanse[®], Tamiflu[®], and Focalin XR[®]. L. Thomas pointed out that Abilify remained at the top and that Synagis season ended on March 31, 2013. D. Thornley-Brown pointed out the utilization of Tamiflu. K. Littlejohn reminded the Board that Tamiflu was a preferred agent and that the reported timeframe was during the influenza season. From the Top 15 Therapeutic Classes by Total Cost of Claims for the same time frame, L.Thomas reported the top five classes: Antipsychotic Agents, Corticosteroids (Respiratory Tract), Amphetamines, Hemostatics, and Respiratory and CNS Stimulants. K. Littlejohn reminded the Board that all antipsychotics require prior authorization. L. Thomas referred to Abilify's status as the top drug for claims cost and reminded the Board that Abilify is not available in a generic form.

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Hydrocodone Utilization: L. Thomas presented a summary of prescriber responses received from the top 100 prescribers of hydrocodone focused intervention letter distributed by the Academic Detailers. L. Thomas mentioned that actually 99 prescribers were being targeted as one prescriber had passed away. L. Thomas stated that 92 letters had been delivered as of April 9, 2013, and 54 responses had been returned, which resulted in a 59% response return rate. P. Thompson mentioned targeting the same prescribers in six months to see if their hydrocodone prescribing patterns have changed. Board members supported this idea. K. Littlejohn explained several ways that the Agency is working to combat prescription drug abuse: modifying existing legislation to grant Medicaid access to Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) data and expanding the pharmacy lock-in program. W. Gomez expressed some concern about the current PDMP database. K. Littlejohn asked that any concerns be sent to her so that she could pass along the information to the Alabama Department of Public Health.

Proposed Criteria: L. Thomas presented the proposed set of 81 criteria to the Board. T. Minnifield instructed the Board members to mark their ballots. Of the 81 criteria, results from the criteria vote returned 71 approved, 8 approved as amended, and 2 rejected.

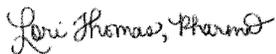
Medicaid Update: T. Minnifield began the Medicaid Update by reminding the Board members that all Medicaid information discussed is available online, as well as any new Medicaid ALERTs. T. Minnifield discussed the new DEA edit that will begin on May 13, 2013. Several questions were posed by Board members regarding the future of the Agency. K. Littlejohn explained that nothing has been finalized as the Legislature is still in session. R. Moon gave a brief overview of the Regional Care Organizations (RCOs).

P & T Committee Update: C. Hurst began the P & T Update by informing the Board that the last meeting was held on February 13, 2013, and covered the pharmacotherapy class re-reviews from the November 2012 meeting and the February 2013 class re-reviews. The double meeting was held due to a lack of quorum at the November 2012 P & T meeting. The next P & T meeting is scheduled for May 15, 2013, at 9am and will cover several cardiovascular drug classes.

New Business: T. Minnifield notified the Board that the next DUR meeting will be held on July 24, 2013, and that a vote will be taken for vice chair. D. Thornley-Brown made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by P. Thompson. A voice vote to adjourn was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 2:30p.m.

Next Meeting Date: The next DUR Board meeting will be held on July 24, 2013.

Respectfully submitted,



Lori Thomas, PharmD

4. Omega-3-Acid Ethyl Esters / Anticoagulants _____ ✓ _____

Alert Message: Some studies have demonstrated prolongation of bleeding time when anticoagulants and omega-3 fatty acids are used concurrently. Patients receiving treatment with Lovaza (omega-3-acid ethyl esters) and drugs affecting coagulation should be monitored periodically.

Conflict Code: DD – Drug/Drug Interaction

Drugs/Diseases

Util A

Omega-3-acid ethyl esters

Util B

Aspirin

NSAIDs

Warfarin

Heparin

Fondaparinux

Rivaroxaban

Dalteparin

Enoxaparin

Dabigatran

Anagrelide

Dipyridamole

Cilostazol

Prasugrel

Ticagrelor

Ticlopidine

SSRIs

SNRIs

Clopidogrel

Util C

References:

Lovaza Prescribing Information, August 2012, GlaxoSmithKline.
Clinical Pharmacology, 2012 Elsevier / Gold Standard.

5. Omega-3-Acid Ethyl Esters / Pregnancy / Pregnancy Negating _____ ✓ _____

Alert Message: Lovaza (omega-3-acid ethyl esters) is FDA pregnancy category C. There are no adequate and well-controlled studies in pregnant women and it is unknown if omega-3-acid ethyl esters can cause fetal harm. Omega-3-acid ethyl esters should be used during pregnancy only if the potential benefit to the patient justifies the potential risk to the fetus.

Conflict Code: MC – Drug/Diagnosis Precaution/Warning/Contraindication

Drugs/Diseases

Util A

Omega-3-Acid Ethyl Esters

Util B

Pregnancy ICD-9s

Util C (Negating)

Delivery

Miscarriage

Abortion

References:

Lovaza Prescribing Information, August 2012, GlaxoSmithKline.
Clinical Pharmacology, 2012 Elsevier / Gold Standard.

6. Omega-3-Acid Ethyl Esters / Hepatic Impairment _____ ✓ _____

Alert Message: Patients taking Lovaza (omega-3-acid ethyl esters) that have hepatic impairment should have ALT and AST levels monitored periodically.

Conflict Code: TA – Therapeutic Appropriateness

Drugs/Diseases

Util A

Omega-3-acid ethyl esters

Util B

Util C (Include)

Chronic Liver Disease

Cirrhosis

References:

Lovaza Prescribing Information, August 2012, GlaxoSmithKline.
Clinical Pharmacology, 2012 Elsevier / Gold Standard.

7. Omega-3-Acid Ethyl Esters / Atrial Fibrillation or Flutter

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Alert Message: In clinical trials with Lovaza (omega-3-acid ethyl esters), recurrent atrial fibrillation (AF) or persistent AF was seen in some patients with symptomatic paroxysmal AF or persistent AF. The clinical significance of these results is uncertain, but there may be an association between omega-3-acid ethyl esters and more frequent recurrences of symptomatic AF or flutter in these patients.

Conflict Code: TA – Therapeutic Appropriateness
Drugs/Diseases

<u>Util A</u>	<u>Util B</u>	<u>Util C (Include)</u>
Omega-3-acid ethyl esters		Atrial Fibrillation Atrial Flutter

References:

Lovaza Prescribing Information, August 2012, GlaxoSmithKline.
Clinical Pharmacology, 2012 Elsevier / Gold Standard.

8. Omega-3-Acid Ethyl Esters / Non-adherence

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Alert Message: Based on refill history, your patients may be under-utilizing Lovaza (omega-3-acid ethyl esters). Non-adherence to the prescribed dosing regimen may result in sub-therapeutic effects which may lead to decreased patient outcomes and additional healthcare costs.

Conflict Code: LR – Nonadherence
Drugs/Diseases

<u>Util A</u>	<u>Util B</u>	<u>Util C</u>
Omega-3-acid ethyl esters		

References:

Schedlbauer A, Davis P, Fahey T. Interventions to Improve Adherence to Lipid Lowering Medication (Review). Cochrane Database System Rev. 2010 Mar 17;(3):CD004371.
Bersot T, Haffner S, Harris WS, et al., Hypertriglyceridemia: Management of Atherogenic Dyslipidemia. Jrnl of Fam Pract. 2006 Jul;55(7):S1-S8.
Osterberg L and Blaschke T. Adherence to Medication. N Engl J Med 2005;353:487-497.

9. Dronedarone / Therapeutic Appropriateness

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Alert Message: The safety/effectiveness of Multaq (dronedarone) has not been established in patients less than 18 years of age.

Conflict Code: TA – Therapeutic Appropriateness
Drugs/Diseases

<u>Util A</u>	<u>Util B</u>	<u>Util C</u>
Dronedarone		

Age Range: 0 – 17 yoa

References:

Multaq Prescribing Information, September 2012, Sanofi-Aventis U.S.
Clinical Pharmacology, 2012 Elsevier / Gold Standard.

10. Dronedarone / Pulmonary Toxicity

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Alert Message: Cases of interstitial lung disease (including pneumonitis and pulmonary fibrosis) have been reported in patients treated with Multaq (dronedarone). Onset of dyspnea or non-productive cough may be related to pulmonary toxicity and patients should be carefully evaluated. In the event that pulmonary toxicity is confirmed, dronedarone should be discontinued.

Conflict Code: DB – Drug-Drug Marker and/or Diagnosis
Drugs/Diseases

<u>Util A</u>	<u>Util B</u>	<u>Util C</u>
Dronedarone	Pneumonitis Pulmonary Fibrosis Dyspnea	

References:

Multaq Prescribing Information, September 2012, Sanofi-Aventis U.S.
Clinical Pharmacology, 2012 Elsevier / Gold Standard.

11. Forfivo XL / Overutilization

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Alert Message: Forfivo XL (extended-release bupropion) may be over-utilized. The manufacturer's maximum recommended dose is 450 mg once daily. Exceeding the recommended dose increases the risk of dose-related seizures.

Drugs/Diseases

<u>Util A</u>	<u>Util B</u>	<u>Util C</u>
Forfivo XL		

References:

Forfivo XL Prescribing Information, Nov. 2011, Intelgenx Corp.
Facts & Comparisons, 2012 Updates Wolters Kluwer Health.

12. Forfivo XL / Therapeutic Appropriateness (0-18 yoa)

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Alert Message: Safety/effectiveness of Forfivo XL (extended-release bupropion) in pediatric patients has not been established. Anyone considering the use of bupropion in a child or adolescent must balance the potential risks with the clinical need.

Drugs/Diseases

<u>Util A</u>	<u>Util B</u>	<u>Util C</u>
Forfivo XL		

Age Range: 0-18 yoa

References:

Forfivo XL Prescribing Information, Nov. 2011, Intelgenx Corp.
Facts & Comparisons, 2012 Updates Wolters Kluwer Health.

Criteria Recommendations

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13. Bupropion / Ticlopidine & Clopidogrel

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Alert Message: Concurrent use of a bupropion-containing agent with clopidogrel or ticlopidine (CYP2B6 Inhibitors) is not recommended. Co-administration of these agents may result in elevated bupropion (CYP2B6 substrate) plasma concentrations and risk of bupropion-related adverse effects (e.g., seizures, nausea, tremor and insomnia).

Drugs/Diseases

Util A Util B Util C
Bupropion-All Ticlopidine
 Clopidogrel

References:

Forfivo XL Prescribing Information, Nov. 2011, Intelgenx Corp.
Facts & Comparisons, 2012 Updates Wolters Kluwer Health.
Clinical Pharmacology, 2012 Elsevier/Gold Standard.

14. Carbamazepine / Nonadherence

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Alert Message: Based on refill history, your patient may be under-utilizing carbamazepine. Non-adherence to the prescribed dosing regimen may result in sub-therapeutic effects which may lead to decreased patient outcomes and additional healthcare costs.

Conflict Code: LR - Nonadherence

Drugs/Diseases

Util A Util B Util C
Carbamazepine

References:

Faught E, Duh MS, Weiner JR, et al. Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs and Increased Mortality, Findings from the RANSOM Study. Neurology 2008;71(20): 1572-1578.
Faught ER, Weiner JR, Guerin A, et al. Impact of Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs on Health Care Utilization and Costs: Findings from the RANSOM Study. Epilepsia 2009;50(3):501-509.
Sajatovic M, Valenstein M, Blow F, et al. Treatment Adherence with Lithium Anticonvulsant medications Among Patients with Bipolar Disorder. Psychiatr Serv. 2007 Jun;58(6):855-63.
Scott J and Pope M. Self-Reported Adherence to Treatment with Mood Stabilizers, Plasma Levels and Psychiatric Hospitalization. Am J Psychiatry 2002; 159:1927-1929.
Osterberg L, Blaschke T. Adherence to Medication. N Engl J Med 2005; 353:487- 497.

15. Gabapentin / Nonadherence

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Alert Message: Based on refill history, your patient may be under-utilizing gabapentin. Non-adherence to the prescribed dosing regimen may result in sub-therapeutic effects which may lead to decreased patient outcomes and additional healthcare costs.

Conflict Code: LR - Nonadherence

Drugs/Diseases

Util A Util B Util C
Gabapentin

References:

Faught E, Duh MS, Weiner JR, et al. Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs and Increased Mortality, Findings from the RANSOM Study. Neurology 2008;71(20): 1572-1578.
Faught ER, Weiner JR, Guerin A, et al. Impact of Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs on Health Care Utilization and Costs: Findings from the RANSOM Study. Epilepsia 2009;50(3):501-509.
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16. Lamotrigine / Nonadherence

Alert Message: Based on refill history, your patient may be under-utilizing lamotrigine. Non-adherence to the prescribed dosing regimen may result in sub-therapeutic effects which may lead to decreased patient outcomes and additional healthcare costs.

Conflict Code: LR - Nonadherence

Drugs/Diseases

Util A

Util B

Util C

Lamotrigine

References:

Faught E, Duh MS, Weiner JR, et al. Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs and Increased Mortality, Findings from the RANSOM Study. *Neurology* 2008;71(20): 1572-1578.

Faught ER, Weiner JR, Guerin A, et al. Impact of Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs on Health Care Utilization and Costs: Findings from the RANSOM Study. *Epilepsia* 2009;50(3):501-509.

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Scott J and Pope M. Self-Reported Adherence to Treatment with Mood Stabilizers, Plasma Levels and Psychiatric Hospitalization. *Am J Psychiatry* 2002; 159:1927-1929.

Osterberg L, Blaschke T. Adherence to Medication. *N Engl J Med* 2005; 353:487- 497.

17. Lacosamide / Nonadherence

Alert Message: Based on refill history, your patient may be under-utilizing Vimpat (lacosamide). Non-adherence to the prescribed dosing regimen may result in sub-therapeutic effects which may lead to decreased patient outcomes and additional healthcare costs.

Conflict Code: LR - Nonadherence

Drugs/Diseases

Util A

Util B

Util C

Lacosamide

References:

Faught E, Duh MS, Weiner JR, et al. Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs and Increased Mortality, Findings from the RANSOM Study. *Neurology* 2008;71(20): 1572-1578.

Faught ER, Weiner JR, Guerin A, et al. Impact of Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs on Health Care Utilization and Costs: Findings from the RANSOM Study. *Epilepsia* 2009;50(3):501-509.

Sajatovic M, Valenstein M, Blow F, et al. Treatment Adherence with Lithium Ant Anticonvulsant medications Among Patients with Bipolar Disorder. *Psychiatr Serv.* 2007 Jun;58(6):855-63.

Scott J and Pope M. Self-Reported Adherence to Treatment with Mood Stabilizers, Plasma Levels and Psychiatric Hospitalization. *Am J Psychiatry* 2002; 159:1927-1929.

Osterberg L, Blaschke T. Adherence to Medication. *N Engl J Med* 2005; 353:487- 497.

18. Levetiracetam / Nonadherence

Alert Message: Based on refill history, your patient may be under-utilizing levetiracetam. Non-adherence to the prescribed dosing regimen may result in sub-therapeutic effects which may lead to decreased patient outcomes and additional healthcare costs.

Conflict Code: LR - Nonadherence

Drugs/Diseases

Util A

Util B

Util C

Levetiracetam

References:

Faught E, Duh MS, Weiner JR, et al. Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs and Increased Mortality, Findings from the RANSOM Study. *Neurology* 2008;71(20): 1572-1578.

Faught ER, Weiner JR, Guerin A, et al. Impact of Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs on Health Care Utilization and Costs: Findings from the RANSOM Study. *Epilepsia* 2009;50(3):501-509.

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19. Pregabalin / Nonadherence

Alert Message: Based on refill history, your patient may be under-utilizing Lyrica (pregabalin). Non-adherence to the prescribed dosing regimen may result in sub-therapeutic effects which may lead to decreased patient outcomes and additional healthcare costs.

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Conflict Code: LR - Nonadherence

Drugs/Diseases

Util A

Util B

Util C

Pregabalin

References:

Faught E, Duh MS, Weiner JR, et al. Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs and Increased Mortality, Findings from the RANSOM Study. Neurology 2008;71(20): 1572-1578.

Faught ER, Weiner JR, Guerin A, et al. Impact of Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs on Health Care Utilization and Costs: Findings from the RANSOM Study. Epilepsia 2009;50(3):501-509.

20. Primidone / Nonadherence

Alert Message: Based on refill history, your patient may be under-utilizing primidone. Non-adherence to the prescribed dosing regimen may result in sub-therapeutic effects which may lead to decreased patient outcomes and additional healthcare costs.

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Conflict Code: LR - Nonadherence

Drugs/Diseases

Util A

Util B

Util C

Primidone

References:

Faught E, Duh MS, Weiner JR, et al. Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs and Increased Mortality, Findings from the RANSOM Study. Neurology 2008;71(20): 1572-1578.

Faught ER, Weiner JR, Guerin A, et al. Impact of Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs on Health Care Utilization and Costs: Findings from the RANSOM Study. Epilepsia 2009;50(3):501-509.

21. Tiagabine / Nonadherence

Alert Message: Based on refill history, your patient may be under-utilizing tiagabine. Non-adherence to the prescribed dosing regimen may result in sub-therapeutic effects which may lead to decreased patient outcomes and additional healthcare costs.

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Conflict Code: LR - Nonadherence

Drugs/Diseases

Util A

Util B

Util C

Tiagabine

References:

Faught E, Duh MS, Weiner JR, et al. Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs and Increased Mortality, Findings from the RANSOM Study. Neurology 2008;71(20): 1572-1578.

Faught ER, Weiner JR, Guerin A, et al. Impact of Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs on Health Care Utilization and Costs: Findings from the RANSOM Study. Epilepsia 2009;50(3):501-509.

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22. Topiramate / Nonadherence

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Alert Message: Based on refill history, your patient may be under-utilizing topiramate. Non-adherence to the prescribed dosing regimen may result in sub-therapeutic effects which may lead to decreased patient outcomes and additional healthcare costs.

Conflict Code: LR - Nonadherence

Drugs/Diseases

Util A

Util B

Util C

Topiramate

References:

Faught E, Duh MS, Weiner JR, et al. Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs and Increased Mortality, Findings from the RANSOM Study. Neurology 2008;71(20): 1572-1578.

Faught ER, Weiner JR, Guerin A, et al. Impact of Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs on Health Care Utilization and Costs: Findings from the RANSOM Study. Epilepsia 2009;50(3):501-509.

23. Valproic Acid / Nonadherence

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Alert Message: Based on refill history, your patient may be under-utilizing valproic acid. Non-adherence to the prescribed dosing regimen may result in sub-therapeutic effects which may lead to decreased patient outcomes and additional healthcare costs.

Conflict Code: LR - Nonadherence

Drugs/Diseases

Util A

Util B

Util C

Valproic Acid

References:

Faught E, Duh MS, Weiner JR, et al. Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs and Increased Mortality, Findings from the RANSOM Study. Neurology 2008;71(20): 1572-1578.

Faught ER, Weiner JR, Guerin A, et al. Impact of Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs on Health Care Utilization and Costs: Findings from the RANSOM Study. Epilepsia 2009;50(3):501-509.

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Osterberg L, Blaschke T. Adherence to Medication. N Engl J Med 2005; 353:487- 497.

24. Vigabatrin / Nonadherence

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Alert Message: Based on refill history, your patient may be under-utilizing Sabril (vigabatrin). Non-adherence to the prescribed dosing regimen may result in sub-therapeutic effects which may lead to decreased patient outcomes and additional healthcare costs.

Conflict Code: LR - Nonadherence

Drugs/Diseases

Util A

Util B

Util C

Vigabatrin

References:

Faught E, Duh MS, Weiner JR, et al. Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs and Increased Mortality, Findings from the RANSOM Study. Neurology 2008;71(20): 1572-1578.

Faught ER, Weiner JR, Guerin A, et al. Impact of Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs on Health Care Utilization and Costs: Findings from the RANSOM Study. Epilepsia 2009;50(3):501-509.

25. Zonisamide / Nonadherence

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Alert Message: Based on refill history, your patient may be under-utilizing zonisamide. Non-adherence to the prescribed dosing regimen may result in sub-therapeutic effects which may lead to decreased patient outcomes and additional healthcare costs.

Conflict Code: LR - Nonadherence

Drugs/Diseases

Util A Util B Util C
Zonisamide

References:

Faught E, Duh MS, Weiner JR, et al. Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs and Increased Mortality, Findings from the RANSOM Study. Neurology 2008;71(20): 1572-1578.
Faught ER, Weiner JR, Guerin A, et al. Impact of Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs on Health Care Utilization and Costs: Findings from the RANSOM Study. Epilepsia 2009;50(3):501-509.

26. Ethosuximide / Nonadherence

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Alert Message: Based on refill history, your patient may be under-utilizing ethosuximide. Non-adherence to the prescribed dosing regimen may result in sub-therapeutic effects which may lead to decreased patient outcomes and additional healthcare costs.

Conflict Code: LR - Nonadherence

Drugs/Diseases

Util A Util B Util C
Ethosuximide

References:

Faught E, Duh MS, Weiner JR, et al. Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs and Increased Mortality, Findings from the RANSOM Study. Neurology 2008;71(20): 1572-1578.
Faught ER, Weiner JR, Guerin A, et al. Impact of Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs on Health Care Utilization and Costs: Findings from the RANSOM Study. Epilepsia 2009;50(3):501-509.

27. Felbamate / Nonadherence

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Alert Message: Based on refill history, your patient may be under-utilizing felbamate. Non-adherence to the prescribed dosing regimen may result in sub-therapeutic effects which may lead to decreased patient outcomes and additional healthcare costs.

Conflict Code: LR - Nonadherence

Drugs/Diseases

Util A Util B Util C
Felbamate

References:

Faught E, Duh MS, Weiner JR, et al. Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs and Increased Mortality, Findings from the RANSOM Study. Neurology 2008;71(20): 1572-1578.
Faught ER, Weiner JR, Guerin A, et al. Impact of Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs on Health Care Utilization and Costs: Findings from the RANSOM Study. Epilepsia 2009;50(3):501-509.

Criteria Recommendations

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28. Methsuximide / Nonadherence

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Alert Message: Based on refill history, your patient may be under-utilizing methsuximide.
Non-adherence to the prescribed dosing regimen may result in sub-therapeutic effects which may lead to decreased patient outcomes and additional healthcare costs.

Conflict Code: LR - Nonadherence

Drugs/Diseases

Util A

Util B

Util C

Methsuximide

References:

Faught E, Duh MS, Weiner JR, et al. Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs and Increased Mortality, Findings from the RANSOM Study. *Neurology* 2008;71(20): 1572-1578.

Faught ER, Weiner JR, Guerin A, et al. Impact of Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs on Health Care Utilization and Costs: Findings from the RANSOM Study. *Epilepsia* 2009;50(3):501-509.

29. Phenytoin / Nonadherence

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Alert Message: Based on refill history, your patient may be under-utilizing phenytoin.
Non-adherence to the prescribed dosing regimen may result in sub-therapeutic effects which may lead to decreased patient outcomes and additional healthcare costs.

Conflict Code: LR - Nonadherence

Drugs/Diseases

Util A

Util B

Util C

Phenytoin

References:

Faught E, Duh MS, Weiner JR, et al. Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs and Increased Mortality, Findings from the RANSOM Study. *Neurology* 2008;71(20): 1572-1578.

Faught ER, Weiner JR, Guerin A, et al. Impact of Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs on Health Care Utilization and Costs: Findings from the RANSOM Study. *Epilepsia* 2009;50(3):501-509.

30. Rufinamide / Nonadherence

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Alert Message: Based on refill history, your patient may be under-utilizing rufinamide.
Non-adherence to the prescribed dosing regimen may result in sub-therapeutic effects which may lead to decreased patient outcomes and additional healthcare costs.

Conflict Code: LR - Nonadherence

Drugs/Diseases

Util A

Util B

Util C

Rufinamide

References:

Faught E, Duh MS, Weiner JR, et al. Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs and Increased Mortality, Findings from the RANSOM Study. *Neurology* 2008;71(20): 1572-1578.

Faught ER, Weiner JR, Guerin A, et al. Impact of Nonadherence to Antiepileptic Drugs on Health Care Utilization and Costs: Findings from the RANSOM Study. *Epilepsia* 2009;50(3):501-509.

34. Tenofovir / Didanosine / Lamivudine & Emtricitabine

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Alert Message: The triple-NRTI regimen tenofovir/didanosine/lamivudine or emtricitabine is not recommended for treatment of HIV infection in children. This combination has demonstrated a high rate of viral failure when used as initial therapy in treatment-naïve adults.

Conflict Code: TA – Therapeutic Appropriateness
Drugs/Diseases

<u>Util A</u>	<u>Util B</u>	<u>Util C (Include)</u>
Tenofovir	Didanosine	Lamivudine Emtricitabine

Age Range: 0-12 yoa

References:

Panel on Antiretroviral Therapy and Medical Management of HIV-Infected Children. Guidelines for the Use of Antiretroviral Agents in Pediatric HIV Infection. November 5, 2012;pp1-333.

Available at: <http://aidsinfo.nih.gov/contentfiles/lvguidelines/pediatricguidelines.pdf>

35. Xyrem / CNS Depressants

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Alert Message: Concurrent use of Xyrem (sodium oxybate) with central nervous system (CNS) depressant drugs may lead to loss of consciousness, coma and death. If the use of CNS depressants in combination with Xyrem is required, dose reduction or discontinuation of one or more CNS depressants (including Xyrem) should be considered. The use of sodium oxybate is contraindicated with sedative hypnotic agents and alcohol.

Conflict Code: DD – Drug/Drug Interaction
Drugs/Diseases

<u>Util A</u>	<u>Util B</u>	<u>Util C</u>
Xyrem	Sedative/Hypnotics (Benzos, Non-Benzos, & Barbiturates) Opioids Skeletal Muscle Relaxants Sedating H-1 Blockers Trimethobenzamide Dronabinol Nabilone	

References:

Facts & Comparisons, 2012 Updates, Wolters Kluwer Health.

MedWatch The FDA Safety Information and Adverse Event Reporting Program. Xyrem (sodium oxybate): Drug Safety Communication – Warning Against Use with Alcohol or Drugs Causing Respiratory Depression. [Posted 12/17/2012].

Available at:

<http://www.fda.gov/Safety/MedWatch/SafetyInformation/SafetyAlertsforHumanMedicalProducts/ucm332430.htm?source=govdelivery>

Clinical Pharmacology, 2012 Elsevier/Gold Standard.

Criteria Recommendations

**Accepted Approved Rejected
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Amended**

39. Apixaban / Overutilization

Alert Message: The manufacturer's recommended daily dose of Eliquis (apixaban) is 10 mg (5 mg twice daily). A reduced daily dose of 5 mg (2.5 mg twice daily) is recommended for patients with at least 2 of the following characteristics: age 80 years or older, body weight of 60 kg or less, or serum creatinine greater than or equal to 1.5 mg/dL.

Conflict Code: ER – Overutilization

Drugs/Diseases

Util A

Util B

Util C (Negate)

Apixaban

CKD Stage III

CKD Stage IV

ESRD

Dialysis

Max Dose: 10mg/day

References:

Eliquis Prescribing Information, Dec. 2012, Bristol-Myers Squibb.

40. Apixaban / Overutilization (≥80 yoa & Renal Impairment)

Alert Message: The manufacturer's recommended daily dose of Eliquis (apixaban) in patients with at least 2 of the following characteristics: age 80 years or older, body weight of 60 kg or less, or serum creatinine greater than or equal to 1.5mg/dL, is 5 mg (2.5mg twice daily).

Conflict Code: ER – Overutilization

Drugs/Diseases

Util A

Util B

Util C (Include)

Apixaban

Stage I, II & III CKD

Max Dose: 5mg/day

Age Range: ≥80 yoa

References:

Eliquis Prescribing Information, Dec. 2012, Bristol-Myers Squibb.

*Do not receive weight data – cannot create criteria to hit on this.

41. Apixaban / Strong Dual CYP3A4 & P-gp Inhibitors

Alert Message: The dose of Eliquis (apixaban) should not exceed 2.5 mg twice daily when it is co-administered with drugs that are strong dual inhibitors of CYP3A4 and P-gp (e.g., ketoconazole, itraconazole, ritonavir and clarithromycin). Concurrent use with a dual strong inhibitor may result in increased exposure to apixaban (CYP3A4 & P-gp substrate) and an increased risk of bleeding.

Conflict Code: ER – Overutilization

Drugs/Diseases

Util A

Util B

Util C (Include)

Apixaban

Ketoconazole

Itraconazole

Ritonavir

Clarithromycin

Max Dose: 5mg/day

References:

Eliquis Prescribing Information, Dec. 2012, Bristol-Myers Squibb.

Clinical Pharmacology, 2013 Elsevier/Gold Standard.

42. Apixaban / Strong Dual CYP3A4 & P-gp Inducers

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Alert Message: Concurrent use of Eliquis (apixaban) with a strong dual inducer of CYP3A4 and P-gp (e.g., carbamazepine, phenytoin and rifampin) should be avoided. Dual inducers of CYP3A4 and P-gp decrease exposure to apixaban (CYP3A4 & P-gp substrate) and increase the risk of stroke.

Conflict Code: DD – Drug/ Drug Interaction
Drugs/Diseases

<u>Util A</u>	<u>Util B</u>	<u>Util C</u>
Apixaban	Carbamazepine Phenytoin Rifampin	

References:

Eliquis Prescribing Information, Dec. 2012, Bristol-Myers Squibb.
Clinical Pharmacology, 2013 Elsevier/Gold Standard.

43. Apixaban / Drugs that Increase Risk of Bleeding

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Alert Message: Eliquis (apixaban) increases the risk of bleeding and can cause serious, potentially fatal, bleeding. Concomitant use of drugs affecting hemostasis (e.g., antiplatelet agents, fibrinolytics, chronic NSAIDs and SSRIs) can further increase the bleeding risk.

Conflict Code: DD – Drug /Drug Interaction
Drugs/Diseases

<u>Util A</u>	<u>Util B</u>	<u>Util C</u>
Apixaban	Aspirin NSAIDs Warfarin Heparin Fondaparinux Rivaroxaban	Dalteparin Enoxaparin Dabigatran Anagrelide Dipyridamole Cilostazol Prasugrel Ticagrelor Ticlopidine SSRIs SNRIs Clopidogrel

References:

Eliquis Prescribing Information, Dec. 2012, Bristol-Myers Squibb.
Clinical Pharmacology, 2013 Elsevier/Gold Standard.

44. Apixaban / Nonadherence

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Alert Message: Based on refill history, your patient may be under-utilizing Eliquis (apixaban). Non-adherence to the prescribed dosing regimen may result in sub-therapeutic effects (i.e., increasing risk of thrombotic events), which may lead to decreased patient outcomes and additional healthcare costs.

Conflict Code: LR – Nonadherence
Drugs/Diseases

<u>Util A</u>	<u>Util B</u>	<u>Util C</u>
Apixaban		

References:

Eliquis Prescribing Information, Dec. 2012, Bristol-Myers Squibb.
Clinical Pharmacology, 2013 Elsevier/Gold Standard

Criteria Recommendations

**Accepted Approved Rejected
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Amended**

45. Apixaban / Therapeutic Appropriateness

Alert Message: Discontinuing Eliquis (apixaban) in patients without adequate continuous anticoagulation increases the risk of stroke. If apixaban must be discontinued for a reason other than pathological bleeding, consider coverage with another anticoagulant.

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Conflict Code: TA – Therapeutic Appropriateness
Drugs/Diseases

<u>Util A</u>	<u>Util B</u>	<u>Util C (Negate)</u>		
Apixaban		Warfarin	Dalteparin	Ticlopidine
		Heparin	Enoxaparin	Clopidogrel
		Fondaparinux	Dabigatran	
		Rivaroxaban	Anagrelide	
		Dipyridamole	Prasugrel	
		Cilostazol	Ticagrelor	

References:
Eliquis Prescribing Information, Dec. 2012, Bristol-Myers Squibb.
Clinical Pharmacology, 2013 Elsevier/Gold Standard

46. Apixaban / Active Pathological Bleeds

Alert Message: Eliquis (apixaban) can cause serious, potentially fatal bleeding and is contraindicated in any patient with active pathological bleeding.

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Conflict Code: TA – Therapeutic Appropriateness
Drugs/Diseases

<u>Util A</u>	<u>Util B</u>	<u>Util C</u>
Apixaban	Active Bleeds	

References:
Eliquis Prescribing Information, Dec. 2012, Bristol-Myers Squibb.
Clinical Pharmacology, 2013 Elsevier/Gold Standard.

47. Apixaban / Heart Valve Replacement

Alert Message: The safety and efficacy of Eliquis (apixaban) has not been studied in patients with prosthetic heart valves and its use is not recommended in these patients.

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Conflict Code: TA – Therapeutic Appropriateness
Drugs/Diseases

<u>Util A</u>	<u>Util B</u>	<u>Util C</u>
Apixaban	Heart Valve Replaced (V43.3)	

References:
Eliquis Prescribing Information, Dec. 2012, Bristol-Myers Squibb.
Clinical Pharmacology, 2013 Elsevier/Gold Standard.

Criteria Recommendations

Accepted *Approved* *Rejected*
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48. Bedaquiline /Therapeutic Appropriateness

Alert Message: Sirturo (bedaquiline) should only be used in combination with at least 3 other drugs to which the patient's pulmonary multidrug-resistant tuberculosis (MDR-TB) isolate has been shown to be susceptible in vitro or 4 other drugs suspected of being active against patient's MDR-TB.

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Conflict Code: ER - Overutilization

Drugs/Diseases

Util A

Util B

Util C (Negate)

Bedaquiline

Isoniazid

Aminosalicylic Acid

Cycloserine

Ethambutol

Ethionamide

Pyrazinamide

Rifabutin

Rifampin

Rifapentine

Streptomycin

Capremoycin

References:

Sirturo Prescribing Information, December 2012, Janssen Products, LP.

Clinical Pharmacology, 2013 Elsevier/Gold Standard.

49. Bedaquiline / Nonadherence

Alert Message: Based on refill history, your patient may be under-utilizing Sirturo (bedaquiline). Compliance with the full course of therapy must be emphasized. Skipping doses or not completing the full course of therapy may decrease the effectiveness of the treatment and increase the likelihood that their mycobacterium may develop resistance and the disease will not be treatable by bedaquiline or other antibacterial drugs in the future.

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Conflict Code: LR – Nonadherence

Drugs/Diseases

Util A

Util B

Util C

Bedaquiline

References:

Sirturo Prescribing Information, December 2012, Janssen Products, LP.

Clinical Pharmacology, 2013 Elsevier/Gold Standard

50. Bedaquiline /Hepatic Impairment

Alert Message: Sirturo (bedaquiline) has not been studied in patients with severe hepatic impairment and should be used with caution in these patients only when the benefits outweigh the risks. Clinical monitoring of bedaquiline-related adverse reactions is recommended.

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Conflict Code: MC – Drug (Actual) Disease Precaution/Warning

Drugs/Diseases

Util A

Util B

Util C

Bedaquiline

Hepatic Imp.

References:

Sirturo Prescribing Information, December 2012, Janssen Products, LP.

Clinical Pharmacology, 2013 Elsevier/Gold Standard.

Criteria Recommendations

**Accepted Approved Rejected
As
Amended**

51. Bedaquiline /Renal Impairment

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Alert Message: Sirturo (bedaquiline) should be used with caution in patients with severe renal impairment or end stage renal disease requiring hemodialysis or peritoneal dialysis. Clinical monitoring of bedaquiline-related adverse reactions is recommended as bedaquiline concentrations may be increased due to alteration of drug absorption, distribution and metabolism secondary to renal dysfunction.

Conflict Code: MC – Drug (Actual) Disease Precaution/Warning
Drugs/Diseases

<u>Util A</u>	<u>Util B</u>	<u>Util C</u>
Bedaquiline	ESRD CKD Stage IV	

References:

Sirturo Prescribing Information, December 2012, Janssen Products, LP.
Clinical Pharmacology, 2013 Elsevier/Gold Standard.

52. Bedaquiline /Drugs Causing QT Prolongation (Black Box Warning)

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Alert Message: Sirturo (bedaquiline) prolongs the QT interval. The concurrent use of this agent with other drugs that prolong the QT interval may have an additive effect increasing the risk of life-threatening arrhythmias, including torsades de pointes. Monitor EKGs frequently and discontinue bedaquiline and all other QT prolonging drugs if the patient develops clinically significant ventricular arrhythmia or a QTcF interval of > 500ms.

Conflict Code: DD – Drug/Drug Interaction

Drugs/Diseases

<u>Util A</u>	<u>Util B</u>				<u>Util C</u>
Bedaquiline	Albuterol	Disopyramide	Imipramine	Pazopanib	Thioridazine
	Alfuzosin	Dofetilide	Indapamide	Pentamidine	Tizanidine
	Amantadine	Dolasetron	Isradipine	Pimozide	Tolterodine
	Amiodarone	Doxepin	Itraconazole	Posaconazole	Trazodone
	Amitriptyline	Dronedarone	Ketoconazole	Procainamide	Trimipramine
	Amphetamine	Droperidol	Lapatinib	Propafenone	Vandetanib
	Arsenic Trioxide	Ephedrine	Levalbuterol	Protriptyline	Vardenafil
	Asenapine	Epinephrine	Levofloxacin	Quetiapine	Venlafaxine
	Atazanavir	Erythromycin	Lithium	Quinidine	Ziprasidone
	Atomoxetine	Escitalopram	Metaproterenol	Ranolazine	Zolmitriptan
	Azithromycin	Felbamate	Methadone	Risperidone	Ezogabine
	Chloral Hydrate	Flecainide	Moexipril/HCTZ	Rasagiline	Indacaterol
	Chloroquine	Fluconazole	Moxifloxacin	Salmeterol	Rilpivirine
	Chlorpromazine	Fluoxetine	Nicardipine	Saquinavir	
	Ciprofloxacin	Foscarnet	Nilotinib	Sertraline	
	Citalopram	Fosphenytoin	Norfloxacin	Solifenacin	
	Clarithromycin	Galantamine	Nortriptyline	Sotalol	
	Clomipramine	Gemifloxacin	Octreotide	Sunitinib	
	Clozapine	Granisetron	Ofloxacin	Tacrolimus	
	Dasatinib	Haloperidol	Ondansetron	Tamoxifen	
	Desipramine	Ibutilide	Paliperidone	Telithromycin	
	Diphenhydramine	Iloperidone	Paroxetine	Terbutaline	

References:

Sirturo Prescribing Information, December 2012, Janssen Products, LP.
Clinical Pharmacology, 2013 Elsevier/Gold Standard.

Criteria Recommendations

Accepted Approved Rejected
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53. Bedaquiline /QT Prolongation (Black Box Warning)

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Alert Message: Sirturo (bedaquiline) prolongs the QT interval and should be used with caution in patients who have conditions which would increase the risk for QT prolongation (e.g., history of torsades de pointes, congenital QT syndrome, and bradyarrhythmias). Discontinue bedaquiline if significant ventricular arrhythmia or QTcF interval > 500ms develops.

Conflict Code: MC – Drug (Actual) Disease Precaution/Warning
Drugs/Diseases

<u>Util A</u>	<u>Util B</u>	<u>Util C</u>
Bedaquiline	Long QT Syndrome Hypothyroidism Bradyarrhythmias Uncompensated Heart Failure Hypomagnesemia Hypokalemia	

References:

Sirturo Prescribing Information, December 2012, Janssen Products, LP.
Clinical Pharmacology, 2013 Elsevier/Gold Standard.

54. Bedaquiline /Strong CYP3A4 Inducers

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Alert Message: The concurrent use of Sirturo (bedaquiline) with a strong CYP3A4 inducer should be avoided. Bedaquiline is a CYP3A4 substrate and its systemic exposure and therapeutic effect may be reduced during co-administration with CYP3A4 inducers.

Conflict Code: DD – Drug/Drug Interaction
Drugs/Diseases

<u>Util A</u>	<u>Util B</u>	<u>Util C</u>
Bedaquiline	Carbamazepine Phenytoin Rifampin Rifapentine Rifabutin	

References:

Sirturo Prescribing Information, December 2012, Janssen Products, LP.

55. Bedaquiline /Strong CYP3A4 Inhibitors

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Alert Message: The concurrent use of Sirturo (bedaquiline) with a strong CYP3A4 inhibitor for longer than 14 consecutive days should be avoided, unless the benefit of treatment with the drug combination outweighs the risk. Bedaquiline is a CYP3A4 substrate and co-administration with strong CYP3A4 inhibitors may increase its systemic exposure and risk of adverse reactions. Appropriate clinical monitoring for bedaquiline-related adverse reactions is recommended.

Conflict Code: DD – Drug/Drug Interaction
Drugs/Diseases

<u>Util A</u>	<u>Util B</u>	<u>Util C</u>
Bedaquiline	Ketoconazole Itraconazole Clarithromycin Telithromycin Nefazodone Posaconazole Voriconazole	Indinavir Saquinavir Nelfinavir Ritonavir Boceprevir Telaprevir

References:

Sirturo Prescribing Information, December 2012, Janssen Products, LP.

Criteria Recommendations

**Accepted Approved Rejected
As
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56. Venlafaxine / Metoprolol

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Alert Message: Concurrent use of venlafaxine and metoprolol may reduce the blood pressure-lowering effect of metoprolol. Venlafaxine may also cause sustained hypertension. Regular monitoring of blood pressure is recommended.

Conflict Code: DD – Drug/Drug Interaction

Drugs/Diseases

Util A

Util B

Util C

Venlafaxine

Metoprolol

References:

Clinical Pharmacology, 2013 Elsevier/Gold Standard.

Facts & Comparisons, 2013 Updates. Wolters Kluwer Health.

57. Duloxetine / Serotonergic Agents

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Alert Message: Caution should be exercised when administering Cymbalta (duloxetine) with another serotonergic drug due to the potential for the accumulation of serotonin and increased risk of serotonin syndrome (e.g., agitation, hallucinations, tachycardia and seizures). Inform patients of risk of serotonin syndrome and counsel them concerning appropriate actions if syndrome occurs.

Conflict Code: DD – Drug/Drug Interaction

Drugs/Diseases

Util A

Util B

Util C

Duloxetine

Lithium

Triptans

Antipsychotics

TCAs

SSRIs

Buspirone

Cyclobenzaprine

Meperidine

Tramadol

Fentanyl

Linezolid

References:

Clinical Pharmacology, 2013 Elsevier/Gold Standard.

Facts & Comparisons, 2013 Updates, Wolters Kluwer Health.

58. Benicar / Therapeutic Appropriateness

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Alert Message: Benicar (olmesartan) has not been shown to be effective in children less than 6 years of age. Children less than 1 year of age should not receive olmesartan for hypertension. Olmesartan acts directly on the renin-angiotensin aldosterone system and can have effects on the development of immature kidneys.

Conflict Code: TA Therapeutic Appropriateness

Drugs/Diseases

Util A

Util B

Util C

Benicar

Age Range: 0-5

References:

Clinical Pharmacology, 2013 Elsevier/Gold Standard.

Facts & Comparisons, 2013 Updates. Wolters Kluwer Health.

Benicar Prescribing Information, Nov. 2012, Daiichi Sankyo, Inc.

Criteria Recommendations

**Accepted Approved Rejected
As
Amended**

59. Benicar / Overutilization (6 to 16 yoa)

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Alert Message: The manufacture's recommended maximum daily dose of Benicar (olmesartan) in pediatric patients 6 to 16 years of age, weighing 35 kg or more, is 40 mg. Pediatric patients weighing less than 35 kg should receive a maximum of 20mg once daily.

Conflict Code: TA Therapeutic Appropriateness

Drugs/Diseases

Util A

Util B

Util C

Benicar

Max Dose: 40mg/day

Age Range: 6-16 yoa

References:

Clinical Pharmacology, 2013 Elsevier/Gold Standard.

Facts & Comparisons, 2013. Updates, Wolters Kluwer Health.

Benicar Prescribing Information, Nov. 2012, Daiichi Sankyo, Inc.

60. Pasireotide / Hypocortisolism

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Alert Message: Signifor (pasireotide) treatment may lead to decreases in circulating cortisol levels and potentially hypocortisolism. If hypocortisolism occurs, consider temporary dose reduction or interruption of treatment and/or adding low-dose short-term glucocorticoid therapy.

Conflict Code: MC – Drug (Actual) Disease Precaution/Warning

Drugs/Diseases

Util A

Util B

Util C (Negate)

Pasireotide

Hypocortisolism

Glucocorticoids

References:

Signifor Prescribing Information, December 2012, Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation.

61. Pasireotide / Hyperglycemia

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Alert Message: Signifor (pasireotide) causes elevations in blood glucose levels. If hyperglycemia develops the initiation or adjustment of anti-diabetic treatment is recommended as well as intensive glucose monitoring.

Conflict Code: MC – Drug (Actual) Disease Precaution/Warning

Drugs/Diseases

Util A

Util B

Util C

Pasireotide

Hyperglycemia

References:

Signifor Prescribing Information, December 2012, Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation.

62. Pasireotide / QT Prolongation

Alert Message: Signifor (pasireotide) is associated with QT prolongation and should be used with caution in patients who are at significant risk of developing prolongation of QTc. Monitoring QTc interval is advisable.

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Conflict Code: MC – Drug (Actual) Disease Precaution/Warning
Drugs/Diseases

<u>Util A</u>	<u>Util B</u>	<u>Util C</u>
Pasireotide	Long QT Syndrome Hypothyroidism Bradyarrhythmias Uncompensated Heart Failure Hypomagnesemia Hypokalemia	

References:

Signifor Prescribing Information, December 2012, Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation.

63. Pasireotide / Drugs Causing QT Prolongation

Alert Message: Signifor (pasireotide) is associated with QT prolongation and concurrent use with drugs that prolong the QT interval may have additive effects on the interval increasing the risk of life-threatening arrhythmias.

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Conflict Code: DD – Drug/Drug Interaction
Drugs/Diseases

<u>Util A</u>	<u>Util B</u>				<u>Util C</u>
Pasireotide	Albuterol	Disopyramide	Imipramine	Pazopanib	Thioridazine
	Alfuzosin	Dofetilide	Indapamide	Pentamidine	Tizanidine
	Amantadine	Dolasetron	Isradipine	Pimozide	Tolterodine
	Amiodarone	Doxepin	Itraconazole	Posaconazole	Trazodone
	Amitriptyline	Dronedarone	Ketoconazole	Procainamide	Trimipramine
	Amphetamine	Droperidol	Lapatinib	Propafenone	Vandetanib
	Arsenic Trioxide	Ephedrine	Levalbuterol	Protriptyline	Vardenafil
	Asenapine	Epinephrine	Levofloxacin	Quetiapine	Venlafaxine
	Atazanavir	Erythromycin	Lithium	Quinidine	Ziprasidone
	Atomoxetine	Escitalopram	Metaproterenol	Ranolazine	Zolmitriptan
	Azithromycin	Felbamate	Methadone	Risperidone	Ezogabine
	Chloral Hydrate	Flecainide	Moexipril/HCTZ	Rasagiline	Indacaterol
	Chloroquine	Fluconazole	Moxifloxacin	Salmeterol	Rilpivirine
	Chlorpromazine	Fluoxetine	Nicardipine	Saquinavir	Bedaquiline
	Ciprofloxacin	Foscarnet	Nilotinib	Sertraline	
	Citalopram	Fosphenytoin	Norfloxacin	Solifenacin	
	Clarithromycin	Galantamine	Nortriptyline	Sotalol	
	Clomipramine	Gemifloxacin	Octreotide	Sunitinib	
	Clozapine	Granisetron	Ofloxacin	Tacrolimus	
	Dasatinib	Haloperidol	Ondansetron	Tamoxifen	
	Desipramine	Ibutilide	Paliperidone	Telithromycin	
	Diphenhydramine	Iloperidone	Paroxetine	Terbutaline	

References:

Signifor Prescribing Information, December 2012, Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation.

Criteria Recommendations

**Accepted Approved Rejected
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64. Pasireotide / Cyclosporine

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Alert Message: Concurrent use of Signifor (pasireotide) with cyclosporine may decrease the relative bioavailability of cyclosporine and, therefore, dose adjustment of cyclosporine to maintain therapeutic levels may be necessary.

Conflict Code: DD – Drug/Drug Interaction
Drugs/Diseases

Util A Util B Util C
Pasireotide Cyclosporine

References:

Signifor Prescribing Information, December 2012, Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation.

65. Pasireotide / Bromocriptine

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Alert Message: Concurrent use of Signifor (pasireotide) with bromocriptine may increase the blood levels of bromocriptine. Dose reduction of bromocriptine may be necessary.

Conflict Code: DD – Drug/Drug Interaction
Drugs/Diseases

Util A Util B Util C
Pasireotide Bromocriptine

References:

Signifor Prescribing Information, December 2012, Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation.

66. Pasireotide / Pediatric Use (0-18 yoa)

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Alert Message: The safety/effectiveness of Signifor (pasireotide) has not been established in pediatric patients.

Conflict Code: TA – Therapeutic Appropriateness
Drugs/Diseases

Util A Util B Util C
Pasireotide

Age Range: 0 -18 yoa

References:

Signifor Prescribing Information, December 2012, Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation.

67. Pasireotide / Overutilization

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Alert Message: The manufacturer's recommended dosage range for Signifor (pasireotide) is 0.3 to 0.9 mg by subcutaneous injection twice a day.

Conflict Code: ER - Overutilization
Drugs/Diseases

Util A Util B Util C (Negating)
Pasireotide Hepatic Impairment

Max Dose: 1.8 mg/day

References:

Signifor Prescribing Information, December 2012, Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation.

Criteria Recommendations

**Accepted Approved Rejected
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Amended**

75. Lomitapide /Hepatic Impairment & Active liver Disease

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Alert Message: Juxtapid (lomitapide) can cause hepatotoxicity and its use is contraindicated in patients with moderate or severe hepatic impairment (Child Pugh B & C) and patients with active liver disease including persistent elevations of serum transaminases.

Conflict Code: MC – Drug (Actual) Disease Precaution/Warning
Drugs/Diseases

<u>Util A</u>	<u>Util B</u>	<u>Util C</u>
Lomitapide	Hepatic Impairment Hepatitis Cirrhosis	

References:

Juxtapid Prescribing Information, December 2012, Aegerion Pharmaceuticals.

76. Lomitapide /Weak CYP3A4 Inhibitors

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Alert Message: The manufacturer’s maximum recommended dosage of Juxtapid (lomitapide) is 30 mg daily with the concomitant use of weak CYP3A4 inhibitors.

Conflict Code: ER - Overutilization

Drugs/Diseases

<u>Util A</u>	<u>Util B</u>	<u>Util C (Include)</u>
Lomitapide		Alprazolam Amiodarone Atorvastatin Bicalutamide Cilostazol Cimetidine Cyclosporine Fluoxetine Fluvoxamine Isoniazid Lapatinib Nilotinib Oral Contraceptives Pazopanib Ranitidine Ranolazine Tipranavir/Ritonavir Ticagrelor Zileuton

Max Dose: 30mg/day

References:

Juxtapid Prescribing Information, December 2012, Aegerion Pharmaceuticals.

77. Lomitapide /Warfarin

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Alert Message: Concurrent use of Juxtapid (lomitapide) and warfarin may result in increased plasma concentrations of warfarin. Patients on warfarin should undergo regular monitoring of INR, especially after changes in lomitapide dosage. The dose of warfarin should be adjusted as clinically indicated.

Conflict Code: DD – Drug/Drug Interaction

Drugs/Diseases

<u>Util A</u>	<u>Util B</u>	<u>Util C</u>
Lomitapide	Warfarin	

References:

Juxtapid Prescribing Information, December 2012, Aegerion Pharmaceuticals.

78. Lomitapide / Simvastatin 40 mg Containing Products

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Alert Message: While taking Juxtapid (lomitapide), the maximum daily dose of a simvastatin-containing product is 20 mg (or 40 mg daily for patients who have previously tolerated simvastatin 80 mg daily for at least one year without evidence of muscle toxicity). Concurrent use of lomitapide (CYP3A4 inhibitor) and simvastatin has been shown to approximately double the exposure of simvastatin increasing the risk of statin-related myopathy/rhabdomyolysis.

Conflict Code: DD – Drug/Drug Interaction
Drugs/Diseases

<u>Util A</u>	<u>Util B</u>	<u>Util C (Negate)</u>
Lomitapide	Simvastatin 40 mg	Simvastatin 80 mg (If patient was on 80mg and now on 40mg prescriber has made appropriate dose adjustment.)

References:
Juxtapid Prescribing Information, December 2012, Aegerion Pharmaceuticals.

79. Lomitapide / Simvastatin 80mg Containing Products

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Alert Message: While taking Juxtapid (lomitapide), the maximum daily dose of a simvastatin-containing product is 20 mg (or 40 mg daily for patients who have previously tolerated simvastatin 80 mg daily for at least one year without evidence of muscle toxicity). Concurrent use of lomitapide (CYP3A4 inhibitor) and simvastatin has been shown to approximately double the exposure of simvastatin increasing the risk of statin-related myopathy/rhabdomyolysis.

Conflict Code: DD – Drug/Drug Interaction
Drugs/Diseases

<u>Util A</u>	<u>Util B</u>	<u>Util C</u>
Lomitapide	Simvastatin 80 mg	

References:
Juxtapid Prescribing Information, December 2012, Aegerion Pharmaceuticals.

80. Lomitapide / Lovastatin

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Alert Message: Concurrent use of Juxtapid (lomitapide) and a lovastatin-containing product may increase the exposure to lovastatin potentiating the risk of statin-related myopathy/rhabdomyolysis. Reducing the dose of lovastatin should be considered when initiating lomitapide.

Conflict Code: DD – Drug/Drug Interaction
Drugs/Diseases

<u>Util A</u>	<u>Util B</u>	<u>Util C</u>
Lomitapide	Lovastatin	

References:
Juxtapid Prescribing Information, December 2012, Aegerion Pharmaceuticals.

Criteria Recommendations

*Accepted Approved Rejected
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Amended*

81. Lomitapide /P-gp substrates

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Alert Message: Concurrent use of Juxtapid (lomitapide), a P-gp inhibitor, with a P-gp substrate (e.g., aliskiren, colchicine and ranolazine) may increase the absorption of the substrate. Dose reduction of the P-gp substrate should be considered when used concomitantly with lomitapide.

Conflict Code: DD – Drug/Drug Interaction
Drugs/Diseases

<u>Util A</u>	<u>Util B</u>	<u>Util C</u>
Lomitapide	Aliskiren Ambrisentan Colchicine Dabigatran Digoxin Everolimus Fexofenadine Imatinib Lapatinib Linagliptin Maraviroc Nilotinib Posaconazole Ranolazine Saxagliptin Silodosin Sirolimus Sitagliptin Tolvaptan Topotecan	

References:

Juxtapid Prescribing Information, December 2012, Aegerion Pharmaceuticals.

FDA: Drug Development and Drug Interactions: Tables of Substrates, Inhibitors and Inducers. Available at: <http://www.fda.gov/Drugs/DevelopmentApprovalProcess/DevelopmentResources/DrugInteractionsLabeling/ucm093664.htm>

P-gp substrates that are also strong, moderate or weak CYP3A4 inhibitors are in the specific criteria above because the drugs are either contraindicated or have specific dosing limits.

Stephanie Azar Approve () Deny
Stephanie McGee Azar, Acting Commissioner

6-11-13
Date

Robert Moon MD Approve () Deny
Robert Moon, M.D., Deputy Commissioner
and Medical Director

6-10-13
Date

Kathy Hall Approve () Deny
Kathy Hall, Deputy Commissioner

6/6/13
Date