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## Thiazolidinedione Agents Step Therapy

Override(s)	Approval Duration
Prior Authorization Quantity Limit	1 Year

Medications	Quantity Limit
Actoplus Met (pioglitazone/metformin)	May be subject to quantity limit
Actoplus Met XR (pioglitazone/metformin extended-release)	
Actos (pioglitazone)	
Avandamet (rosiglitazone/metformin)	
Avandia (rosiglitazone)	
Duetact (pioglitazone/glimepiride)	

### APPROVAL CRITERIA

Requests for a thiazolidinedione agent may be approved if the following criteria are met:

- I. Individual has had a trial (medication samples/coupons/discount cards are excluded from consideration as a trial) and inadequate response or intolerance to metformin; **OR**
- II. Individual has a contraindication to metformin therapy (such as but not limited to, renal insufficiency: eGFR is less than 45 mL/minute/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>);

### **AND**

- III. Individual has had a trial with the following:
  - A. One preferred glucagon-like peptide-1 (GLP-1) receptor agonist; **OR**
  - B. One preferred dipeptidyl peptidase-4 (DPP-4) inhibitor; **OR**
  - C. One preferred sodium-glucose co-transporter-2 (SGLT2) inhibitor.

Preferred GLP-1: Ozempic, Victoza

Preferred DPP-4: Januvia, Janumet, Janumet XR

Preferred SGLT2: Jardiance, Synjardy, Synjardy XR

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State Specific Mandates		
State name	Date effective	Mandate details (including specific bill if applicable)
N/A	N/A	N/A

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