

Prior authorization required for antipsychotic drugs prescribed to members 13 years of age or younger

Summary: Prior authorization (PA) criteria for the antipsychotic agents listed below were reviewed and approved by the Mental Health Medication Advisory Committee and the Kansas Drug Utilization Review Board. Effective September 15, 2016, these antipsychotic agents will require PA for members 13 years of age or younger. To facilitate continuity of care, members currently established on antipsychotic agents prior to September 15, 2016, will not be subject to this PA requirement for one year. The antipsychotics PA criteria for children 13 years of age or younger may be found on the Kansas Department of Health and Environment website at www.kdheks.gov/hcf/pharmacy/pa_criteria.htm.

✦ **Criteria for PA for antipsychotics prescribed to children 6 years of age or younger** (must meet all of the following):

- Must be prescribed by or in consultation/collaboration with a psychiatrist, neurologist or developmental-behavioral pediatrician
- Must have a diagnosis of autistic disorder, mood disorder, psychotic disorder, tic disorder or Tourette's syndrome
- Documentation of plasma glucose, lipid screening, weight, height and waist circumference within the previous three months

Length of approval: Six months*

Criteria for PA for antipsychotics prescribed to children 7-13 years of age (must meet all of the following):

- Must have a diagnosis of autistic disorder, mood disorder, psychotic disorder, tic disorder or Tourette's syndrome
- Documentation of plasma glucose, lipid screening, weight, height and waist circumference within the previous three months

Length of approval: 12 months*

*A one-time 60-day override for this criteria requirement will be available to dispensing pharmacies through

What action do I need to take?

You will need to obtain PA for members 13 years of age or younger that are starting an antipsychotic drug on or after September 15, 2016. To facilitate continuity of care, members currently established on antipsychotic agents prior to September 15, 2016, will not be subject to this PA requirement for one year. The table on the following page lists the antipsychotic agents that require PA.

Antipsychotic agents requiring PA		
Therapeutic class	Medication	Effective date
Antipsychotic agent	Aripiprazole (Abilify®, Abilify Maintenna® and Aristada®)	09/15/2016
Antipsychotic agent	Asenapine (Saphris®)	09/15/2016
Antipsychotic agent	Brexpiprazole (Rexulti®)	09/15/2016
Antipsychotic agent	Cariprazine (Vraylar®)	09/15/2016
Antipsychotic agent	Chlorpromazine	09/15/2016
Antipsychotic agent	Clozapine (Clozaril® and Fazacllo®)	09/15/2016
Antipsychotic agent	Fluphenazine	09/15/2016
Antipsychotic agent	Haloperidol (Haldol®)	09/15/2016
Antipsychotic agent	Iloperidone (Fanapt®)	09/15/2016
Antipsychotic agent	Loxapine (Adasuve®)	09/15/2016
Antipsychotic agent	Lurasidone (Latuda®)	09/15/2016
Antipsychotic agent	Olanzapine (Zyprexa® and Zyprexa Zydis®)	09/15/2016
Antipsychotic agent	Olanzapine pamoate (Zyprexa Relprevv®)	09/15/2016
Antipsychotic agent	Olanzapine/Fluoxetine (Symbyax®)	09/15/2016
Antipsychotic agent	Paliperidone (Invega®)	09/15/2016
Antipsychotic agent	Paliperidone palmitate (Invega Sustenna® and Invega Trinza®)	09/15/2016
Antipsychotic agent	Perphenazine	09/15/2016
Antipsychotic agent	Pimozide (Orap®)	09/15/2016
Antipsychotic agent	Prochlorperazine maleate (Compazine®)	09/15/2016
Antipsychotic agent	Quetiapine (Seroquel®)	09/15/2016
Antipsychotic agent	Quetiapine fumarate (Seroquel XR®)	09/15/2016
Antipsychotic agent	Risperidone (Risperdal®, Risperdal Consta® and Risperdal M-Tab®)	09/15/2016
Antipsychotic agent	Thioridazine HCl	09/15/2016
Antipsychotic agent	Thiothixene	09/15/2016
Antipsychotic agent	Trifluoperazine	09/15/2016
Antipsychotic agent	Ziprasidone (Geodon®)	09/15/2016

What if I need assistance?

To obtain a PA, please call our Pharmacy PA department at 1-855-201-7170, and follow the voice prompts for pharmacy PAs.

If you need assistance with any other item, contact your local Provider Relations representative or call Provider Services at 1-800-454-3730.

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