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Drug Utilization Review Board Meeting Minutes

Date of Meeting: October 16, 2025

Name of Organization: The State of Nevada, Nevada Health Authority, Nevada Medicaid, Drug Use Review Board

Agenda Item	Record			Notes
1) Call to Order and Roll Call	It was announced the meeting is being recorde	Nevada Medicaid Staff Present were as follows:		
	Chairperson Jennifer Wheeler called the meet p.m. on 10/16/2025. Chairperson Wheeler took the roll.	 Brown, Antonio, Chief of Pharmacy & DME Palomino, Bonnie, Pharmacy Services Manager 		
	 Jennifer Wheeler, Pharm.D., Chair Netochi Adeolokun, Pharm.D., Vice-Chair Crystal Castaneda, MD Jessica Cate, Pharm.D. Dave England, Pharm.D. Brain Le, DO Jim Tran, Pharm.D. 	Present	Absent	 Flowers, Ellen, Social Services Program Specialist II Cabrera, Donna, Program Officer I Prime Therapeutics Staff Present were as follows: Mishra, Raj, Pharm.D., Clinical Account Manager Deoliveira, Brittany, Pharm.D., Clinical Account Manager Martinez, Chris, Sr. Business Analyst

		Managed Care Organization representatives present were as follows:
		 Bitton, Ryan, Pharm.D., Health Plan of Nevada
		 Beranek, Tom, Pharm.D., Silver Summit Health Plan
		 Tran, Jimmy, Pharm.D., Molina Healthcare
		 Izuora, Kodi, Pharm.D., Anthem
		The public attendee list is included as Attachment A.
		Note : Participants may not have chosen to reveal their identity, and in the absence of a sign-in sheet, the attendee list's accuracy is not assured.
		is not assured.
2) General Public Comment	Telephonic and web comment was called for, and the phone lines were opened.	
	No public comment was provided.	
3) Administrative		
 a) For Possible Action: Review and Approve Meeting Minutes from July 31, 2025. 	Vice-Chair Netochi Adeolokun moved to approve the minutes as presented, and Chairperson Wheeler seconded the motion.	
	A vote was taken, and the results were as follows from members in attendance (in favor, against, and abstentions where applicable):	
	Yes No Abst. ■ Jennifer Wheeler, Pharm.D., Chair □ □ ■ Netochi Adeolokun, Pharm.D., Vice-Chair □ □	

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	Crystal Castaneda, MD		
	Jessica Cate, Pharm.D.		
	Dave England, Pharm.D.		
	Brain Le, DO		
	• Jim Tran, Pharm.D.		
b) Status Update by DHCFP	Chief of Pharmacy Servies Antonio Browr	n provided an announcement:	
b) Status Update by DHCFP	Chief of Pharmacy Servies Antonio Brown Good afternoon, everyone. For the record Brown, Chief of Pharmacy Services for Nall for being here today and for your conhealth of our communities. I want to take a brief moment to update Drug List initiative. I am happy to share the track for implementation on January 1st, We continue to collaborate closely with Partners. A few milestones are coming uncommunications. Our goal is to ensure the are going to be affected by this transition supported throughout the process. The preminder for this initiative, is to reduce the for both providers and recipients, simplify process and enhancements to care, and outcomes for all Nevada Medicaid recipients. And as I always do, calling on our practite us today. We have several open opportute board. If you're passionate about making encourage you to get involved and help is necourage you to get involved and help is Nevada families and individuals. That concludes my updates, and thank you it over to Dr. Wheeler.	rd, my name is Antonio evada Medicaid. Thank you tinued commitment to the on the Single Preferred hat the project remains on , 2026. our Managed Care p for our focus on member nat all the individuals that n are well-informed and orimary objective, as a he administrative burden fy the prior authorization ultimately improve health ents. ioners that may be joining nities to serve on our g a difference, we shape the future care of	

4) (linical	Presentations		
a)	and p autho quant	ossible Action: Discussion cossible adoption of prior prization criteria and/or tity limits for atopoietic/Hematinic ts.		
	i)	Public comment on proposed clinical prior authorization criteria.	Telephonic and web comment was called for, and the phone lines were opened. No public comment was provided.	
	ii)	Presentation of utilization and clinical information.	 Dr. Raj Mishra reviewed the proposed criteria presented in the binder for Hematopoietic/Hematinic Agents. Dr. Ryan Bitton with Health Plan of Nevada, approved of the proposed criteria as presented. Dr. Tom Beranek with Silver Summit Health Plan, approved of the proposed criteria as presented. Dr. Jimmy Tran with Molina Healthcare, approved of the proposed criteria as presented. Dr. Kodi Izuora with Anthem, approved of the proposed criteria as presented. 	
	iii)	Discussion by Board and review of utilization data.	Chairperson Wheeler asked if the Board Members had any comments. No comments were made.	

iv) Proposed adoption of updated prior authorization criteria.	Vice-Chair Adeolokun moved to approve the criteria as presented by Prime Therapeutics, and Board Member Brain Le seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the results were as follows from members in attendance (in favor, against, and abstentions where applicable):			
b) For Possible Action: Discussion and possible adoption of prior authorization criteria and/or quantity limits for Reblozyl (luspatercept-aamt).	Yes No Abst. Jennifer Wheeler, Pharm.D., Chair Netochi Adeolokun, Pharm.D., Vice-Chair Crystal Castaneda, MD Jessica Cate, Pharm.D. Dave England, Pharm.D. Brain Le, DO Jim Tran, Pharm.D.			
i) Public comment on proposed clinical prior authorization criteria.	Telephonic and web comment was called for, and the phone lines were opened. No public comment was provided.			
ii) Presentation of utilization and clinical information.	 Dr. Mishra reviewed the proposed criteria presented in the binder for Reblozyl. Dr. Bitton with Health Plan of Nevada, approved of the proposed criteria as presented. Dr. Beranek with Silver Summit Health Plan, approved of the proposed criteria as presented. Dr. Tran with Molina Healthcare, approved of the proposed criteria as presented. Dr. Izuora with Anthem, approved of the proposed criteria as presented. 			

iii) Discussion by Board and review of utilization data.	Chairperson Wheeler asked if the Board Memb No public comment was provided.	ers had	l any co	omments.	
iv) Proposed adoption of updated prior authorization criteria.	Board member Dave England moved to appropresented by Prime Therapeutics, and Board Nation.	lembe	r Le sed	conded the	
	A vote was taken, and the results were as follow attendance (in favor, against, and abstentions				
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c) For Possible Action: Discussion and possible adoption of prior authorization criteria and/or quantity limits for CGRP Receptor Inhibitor medications.					

proposed clinical prior wathorization criteria.	Telephonic and web comment was called for, and the phone lines were opened. Public comment was provided by Dave Miley with Teva Medical Affairs.	
	 criteria as presented. Dr. Beranek with Silver Summit Health Plan, approved of the proposed criteria as presented. Dr. Tran with Molina Healthcare, approved of the proposed criteria as presented. 	
review of utilization data.	Chairperson Wheeler asked if the Board Members had any comments. No comments were made.	
updated prior P authorization criteria.	Board Member England moved to approve the criteria as presented by Prime Therapeutics, and Vice-Chair Adeolokun seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the results were as follows from members in attendance (in favor, against, and abstentions where applicable): Yes No Abst.	
	● Jennifer Wheeler, Pharm.D., Chair □ □	

d) For Possible Action: Discussion and possible adoption of prior authorization criteria and/or	 Netochi Adeolokun, Pharm.D., Vice-Chair Crystal Castaneda, MD Jessica Cate, Pharm.D. Dave England, Pharm.D. Brain Le, DO Jim Tran, Pharm.D. 	
quantity limits for metabolic dysfunction-associated steatohepatitis (MASH) agents.		
i) <u>Public comment</u> on proposed clinical prior authorization criteria.	Telephonic and web comment was called for, and the phone lines were opened. Public comment was provided by Vignan Manne, gastroenterologist and hepatologist with UNLV School of Medicine. Public comment was provided by William Lam with Madrigal Pharmaceuticals.	
ii) Presentation of utilization and clinical information.	 Dr. Mishra reviewed the proposed criteria presented in the binder for Wegovy and Rezdiffra. Dr. Bitton with Health Plan of Nevada, approved of the proposed criteria as presented. Dr. Beranek with Silver Summit Health Plan, approved of the proposed criteria as presented. Dr. Tran with Molina Healthcare, approved of the proposed criteria as presented. Dr. Izuora with Anthem, approved of the proposed criteria as presented. 	

iii) Discussion by Board and review of utilization data.	Chairperson Wheeler asked if the Board Memb	ers had	any co	mments.
	Vice-Chair Adeolokun and Board Member Jess	ica Cat	e provi	ded
	comments.			
iv) Proposed adoption of	Vice-Chair Adeolokun moved to approve the o			
updated prior authorization criteria.	presented by Prime Therapeutics with the addi			
authorization criteria.	step-edit requirement to include option from spe is reason to expect Wegovy to be ineffective for re	-		
	treatment. Chairperson Wheeler seconded the	•		
	A vote was taken, and the results were as follo	ws fron	n mem	hers in
	attendance (in favor, against, and abstentions			
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	Jennifer Wheeler, Pharm.D., Chair	Yes ⊠	No	Abst. □
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	Crystal Castaneda, MD			\boxtimes
	 Jessica Cate, Pharm.D. 	\boxtimes		
	Dave England, Pharm.D.	\boxtimes		
	Brain Le, DO	\boxtimes		
	• Jim Tran, Pharm.D.	\boxtimes		
	Vice-Chair Adeolokun moved to approve the o	riteria	for We	govy as
	presented by Prime Therapeutics, and Chairpe			· ,
	the motion.			
	A vote was taken, and the results were as follo	ws fron	n mem	bers in
	attendance (in favor, against, and abstentions	where	applic	able):
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	• Jennifer Wheeler, Pharm.D., Chair	\boxtimes		
	Netochi Adeolokun, Pharm.D., Vice-Chair	\boxtimes		
	Crystal Castaneda, MD			\boxtimes
	 Jessica Cate, Pharm.D. 	\boxtimes		

			 Dave England, Pharm.D. Brain Le, DO Jim Tran, Pharm.D. 	⊠ ⊠ ⊠			
e)	and p autho quan	ossible Action: Discussion possible adoption of prior prization criteria and/or tity limits for Respirator and gy Biologics.					
	i)	Public comment on proposed clinical prior authorization criteria.	Telephonic and web comment was called were opened. No public comment was provided.	d for, and the	phone	e lines	
	ii)	Presentation of utilization and clinical information.	 Dr. Mishra reviewed the proposed criteria Nucala. Dr. Bitton with Health Plan of Nevada criteria as presented. Dr. Beranek with Silver Summit Healt proposed criteria as presented. Dr. Tran with Molina Healthcare, app as presented. Dr. Izuora with Anthem, approved of presented. 	a, approved of h Plan, appro	f the proved of oropos	roposed the ed criteria	

iii) Discussion by Board and review of utilization data.	Chairperson Wheeler asked if the Board Member No comments were made.	ers had	any co	mments.	
iv) Proposed adoption of updated prior authorization criteria.	Board Member England moved to approve the criteria as presented by Prime Therapeutics, and Chairperson Wheeler seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the results were as follows from members in attendance (in favor, against, and abstentions where applicable):				
f) For Possible Action: Discussion and possible adoption of prior	 Jennifer Wheeler, Pharm.D., Chair Netochi Adeolokun, Pharm.D., Vice-Chair Crystal Castaneda, MD Jessica Cate, Pharm.D. Dave England, Pharm.D. Brain Le, DO Jim Tran, Pharm.D. 	Yes	No	Abst.	
authorization criteria and/or quantity limits for Topical Immunomodulators.					
i) <u>Public comment</u> on proposed clinical prior authorization criteria.	Telephonic and web comment was called for, and the phone lines were opened. Public comment was provided by Jen Leung with Incyte Pharmaceuticals.				
	Public comment was provided by Valeria Ng w	th Leo	Pharm	ıa.	

ii)	Presentation of utilization and clinical information.	Dr. Mishra reviewed the proposed criteria pro Anzupgo.	esented	l in the	binder for	
	and chinear information.					
		 Dr. Bitton with Health Plan of Nevada, app criteria as presented. 	roved	of the p	roposed	
		 Dr. Beranek with Silver Summit Health Pla 	n annr	oved of	the	
		proposed criteria as presented.	і, аррі	oved or	tile	
		 Dr. Tran with Molina Healthcare, approved 	d of the	propos	sed criteria	
		as presented.				
		 Dr. Izuora with Anthem, approved of the p presented. 	ropose	d crite	ia as	
		presented.				
iii)	Discussion by Board and review of utilization data.	Chairperson Wheeler asked if the Board Memb	ers had	d any co	mments.	
		No comments were made.				
iv)	Proposed adoption of	Vice-Chair Adeolokun moved to approve the	riteria	as pres	ented by	
	updated prior authorization criteria.	Prime Therapeutics, and Board Member Le se	conded	the mo	otion.	
		A vote was taken, and the results were as follo				
		attendance (in favor, against, and abstentions	where	аррис	abie):	
			Yes	No	Abst.	
		 Jennifer Wheeler, Pharm.D., Chair 	\boxtimes			
		Netochi Adeolokun, Pharm.D., Vice-Chair	\boxtimes			
		 Crystal Castaneda, MD 			\boxtimes	
		 Jessica Cate, Pharm.D. 	\boxtimes			
		Dave England, Pharm.D.	\boxtimes			
		Brain Le, DO	\boxtimes			
		 Jim Tran, Pharm.D. 	\boxtimes			

g) For Possible Action: Discussion and possible adoption of prior authorization criteria and/or quantity limits for Eohilia (budesonide oral suspension).		
i) Public comment on proposed clinical prior authorization criteria.	No public comment was provided.	
ii) Presentation of utilization and clinical information.	 Dr. Mishra reviewed the proposed criteria presented in the binder for Eohilia. Dr. Bitton with Health Plan of Nevada, approved of the proposed criteria as presented with the recommendation to require submission of medical records to confirm diagnosis and broaden specialists to include immunologists. Dr. Beranek with Silver Summit Health Plan, approved of the proposed criteria as presented. Dr. Tran with Molina Healthcare, approved of the proposed criteria as presented. Dr. Izuora with Anthem, approved of the proposed criteria as presented. 	
iii) Discussion by board and review of utilization data.	Chairperson Wheeler agreed with recommendation to update specialists to include immunologists and asked if the Board Members had any additional comments. No additional comments were made.	

iv) Proposed adoption of updated prior authorization criteria.	Vice-Chair Adeolokun moved to approve the criteria as presented by Prime Therapeutics with the addition of immunologists to specialist list, and Board Member England seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the results were as follows from members in attendance (in favor, against, and abstentions where applicable):				
	 Jennifer Wheeler, Pharm.D., Chair Netochi Adeolokun, Pharm.D., Vice-Chair Crystal Castaneda, MD Jessica Cate, Pharm.D. Dave England, Pharm.D. Brain Le, DO Jim Tran, Pharm.D. 		No	Abst.	
h) For Possible Action: Discussion and possible adoption of prior authorization criteria and/or quantity limits for Prolate (oxycodone/acetaminophen).					
i) Public comment on proposed clinical prior authorization criteria.	No public comment was provided.				
ii) Presentation of utilization and clinical information.	 Dr. Mishra reviewed the proposed criteria prese Prolate. Dr. Bitton with Health Plan of Nevada, approcriteria as presented. Dr. Beranek with Silver Summit Health Plan, aproposed criteria as presented. Dr. Tran with Molina Healthcare, approved o 	ved of ti	he pi	roposed	

	as presented.					
	Dr. Izuora with Anthem, approved of the proposed criteria as procented.					
	presented.					
iii) Discussion by board and	Chairperson Wheeler asked if the Board Memb	ers had	any co	omments.		
review of utilization data.	No comments were made.					
	No comments were made.					
iv) Proposed adoption of updated prior authorization	Board Member Jim Tran moved to approve th by Prime Therapeutics and Board Member Les					
criteria.	by Filme Therapeutics and board Weimber Les	econa	eu tile	motion.		
	A vote was taken, and the results were as follows from members in					
	attendance (in favor, against, and abstentions where applicable):					
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	Jennifer Wheeler, Pharm.D., Chair	Yes ⊠	No □	Abst. □		
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	Crystal Castaneda, MD			\boxtimes		
	Jessica Cate, Pharm.D.	\boxtimes				
	Dave England, Pharm.D.	\boxtimes				
	Brain Le, DO	\boxtimes				
	Jim Tran, Pharm.D.	\boxtimes				
5) Board Requested Reports						
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Opioid Utilization Reports:	Dr. Mishra presented opioid utilization rep					
i) Opioid Trends	Dr. Bitton presented opioid utilization rep					
ii) Top Members iii) Top Prescribers	Dr. Beranek presented opioid utilization reports.					
iv) Top Pharmacies	Dr. Tran presented opioid utilization reports. Dr. Inverse presented opioid utilization reports.					
	Dr. Izuora presented opioid utilization reports.					

Comments from Board Members	Chairperson Wheeler asked for comments from Board Members	
regarding the Opioid Utilization	regarding Opioid Reports.	
Reports.	The Board discussed possible optimization to the reports in the future.	
6) Standard DUR Reports: i) Top 10 Therapeutic Classes ii) ProDUR Paid Claims Savings Report iii) RetroDUR DUR Initiatives	 Dr. Mishra presented Standard DUR Reports. Dr. Bitton presented Standard DUR Reports. Dr. Beranek presented Standard DUR Reports. Dr. Tran presented Standard DUR Reports. Dr. Izuora presented Standard DUR Reports. 	
7) Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Annual Drug Utilization Review Surveys	 Dr. Mishra presented highlights for Fee-for-Service Annual DUR Survey Dr. Bitton presented highlights for Health Plan of Nevada (HPN) Annual DUR Survey Dr. Beranek presented highlights for SilverSummit Annual DUR Survey Dr. Tran presented highlights for Molina Annual DUR Survey Dr. Izuora presented highlights for Anthem Annual DUR Survey 	
8) Physician Administered Drugs		
a) For Possible Action: Discussion and possible adoption of prior authorization criteria and/or quantity limits for Physician Administered Drugs.	aflibercept, Bavencio (avelumab), Beovu (brolucizumab-dbll), bevacizumab, Darzalex (daratumumab), Imfinzi (durvalumab), immune globulins IV, Jemperli (dostarlimab-gxly), Keytruda (pembrolizumab), Libtayo (cemiplimab-rwlc), Opdivo (nivolumab), paclitaxel albumin-bound, pemetrexed, ranibizumab, rituximab, immune globulins SC, Susvimo (ranibizumab), Tecentriq (atezolizumab), trastuzumab, Yervoy (ipilimumab)	

i) Public comment on proposed clinical prior authorization criteria.	No public comments were provided.				
ii) Presentation of utilization and clinical information	 Dr. Victoria Facchini reviewed the proposed cribinder for Physician Administered Drugs (PAD). Dr. Bitton with Health Plan of Nevada, approxiteria as presented. Dr. Beranek with Silver Summit Health Plan, proposed criteria as presented. Dr. Tran with Molina Healthcare, approved as presented. Dr. Izuora with Anthem, approved of the propresented. 	oved control of the	of the poved of	roposed the sed criteria	
iii) Proposed adoption of updated prior authorization criteria.	Vice-Chair Adeolokun moved to approve the creative Therapeutics, and Board Member England A vote was taken, and the results were as follow attendance (in favor, against, and abstentions of the second secon	d the	motion n meml	n. pers in	
9) Closing Discussion	,				

a) Public Comment	Telephonic and web comment was called for, and the phone lines were opened.	
	No public comments were provided.	
b) Date and location of the next	Chairperson Wheeler stated the next meeting is scheduled for January	
meeting.	15, 2026.	
	Location : Hilton Garden Inn, Reno	
	Meeting adjourned at 3:01 pm	

Attachment A – Members of the Public in Attendance

Jen Leung	Hale, Amy	Nielsen, Mari
Abigail Banich	Gross, David	Robinson, Don
Lee Stout	Rassuchine, Bradley	Cheryl Donahue
Shawn Akey	Rianna White	Ann Marie O'Toole
Shannon Sturtevant	Valerie D Ng	
Lawson, Lindsey	Vignan Manne	
Moore, Kimberly A	Sabrina Schnur	
David Miley	Scott Tabot	
Thomas Deckelman	Roa, Ryan A	
Cade Grogan	Michael Pazirandeh	
Jenna Doerr	Selsor,Robin	
Faulkner, Kinga	Robin Wells	
William Lam	Jeana Colabianchi	
Pulver, Lisa	Maria Reyes	
Cadenhead, Alisa	Preisner,Eva	
Deborah G	Craig Sexton	

Attachment B – Submitted Written Comment

None Written Comments Submitted