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Drug Use Review Board

Meeting Minutes

Date of Meeting: Thursday, April 28, 2022

Name of Organization: The State of Nevada, Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Health Care Financing and Policy

(DHCFP), Drug Use Review Board

Agenda Item	Record			Notes	
1. Call to Order and Roll Call	It was announced the meeting is being recor	The DHCFP Staff Present			
	Chairperson Wheeler called the meeting to o	order at 1:0	6 p.m. on	Griffin, Karen, Senior Deputy	
	April 28, 2022.			Attorney General (SDAG)	
				Olsen, David, Social Services	
	Chairperson Wheeler took the roll.			Chief III	
				Gudino, Antonio, Social	
		Present	Absent	Services Program Specialist	
	Jennifer Wheeler, Pharm.D., Chair	\boxtimes		(SSPS) III Berntson, Kindra, SSPS II	
	Netochi Adeolokun, Pharm.D., Vice Chair	\boxtimes		Alegria, Veronica, SSPS I	
	Mark Canty, MD	\boxtimes		Flowers, Ellen, Program	
	Crystal Castaneda, MD	\boxtimes		Officer I	
	Jessica Cate, Pharm.D.		\boxtimes		
	Dave England, Pharm.D.	\boxtimes			

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	Brian Le, DO		\boxtimes	Managed Care Organization
	Michael Owens, MD	\boxtimes		representatives present
	Rebecca Sparks, PA-C			were as follows:
	Jim Tran, Pharm.D.	\boxtimes		Lim, Luke, RPh, Anthem Blue
	,		_	Cross Crecco, Jason, Pharm.D.,
	A quorum was present.			Health Plan of Nevada
				Tran, Jimmy, Pharm.D.,
				Molina Healthcare
				Beranek, Tom, RPh,
				SilverSummit Health Plan
				Gainwell Technologies Staff
				Present were as follows:
				Leid, Jovanna, Pharm.D.
				OptumRx Staff Present
				were as follows:
				LeCheminant, Jill, Pharm.D.
				Piccirilli, Annette
				Kiriakopoulos, Amanda,
				Pharm.D.
				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.
2. General Public Comment	Telephonic and web comment was	called for, and th	e phone lines	
	were opened.			

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	No public comment was provided.		
	No written comment was received.		
3. Administrative			
a. For Possible Action: Review and	No corrections were offered.		
Approve Meeting Minutes from			
January 27, 2022	Board Member Canty moved to approve the		
	and Board Member Adeolokun seconded the	motion.	
	A vote was taken, and the results were as fol	lows from members in	
	attendance (in favor, against, and abstention		
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		Yes No Abst.	
	Jennifer Wheeler, Pharm.D., Chair		
	Netochi Adeolokun, Pharm.D., Vice Chair		
	Mark Canty, MD		
	Crystal Castaneda, MD		
	Dave England, Pharm.D.		
	Michael Owens, MD		
	Rebecca Sparks, PA-C		
	Jim Tran, Pharm.D.		
b. Status Update by DHCFP	Chief David Olsen announced the start date o		
	Magellan Medicaid Administration as Nevada benefit manager (PBM). He welcomed Dr. Jar	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
	Account Pharmacy Services Director.	iles kiili as tile Nevaua	
	Account i narmacy services birector.		
	Chief Olsen discussed that Senate Bill 325, wl		
	pharmacists to prescribe HIV preventative th		
	receive final approval. Chief Olsen noted the		
	Bill 325, which enables pharmacists to disper	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
	therapy without a prescription, has been com		
	provider, continuing education for pharmacis	sts is required. Nevada	

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	pharmacist contraceptive services training program is now	
	available at birthcontrolpharmacist.com.	
	Mr. Antonio Gudino announced the changes from the October	
	2021 DUR meeting had been posted after a delay because of	
	technical issues. He reminded the Board to remain on camera	
	during the meeting and when voting. He asked members of the public to stay off the camera unless speaking during public	
	comment.	
4. Clinical Presentations	Commence	
a. For Possible Action: Discussion		
and possible adoption of prior		
authorization criteria and/or		
quantity limits for Movement		
Disorder Agents.		
i. <u>Public comment</u> on	Telephonic and web comment was called for, and the phone lines	
proposed clinical prior	were opened.	
authorization criteria.		
	Comment was provided by Ms. Rochelle Yang with Teva	
	Pharmaceuticals regarding Austedo. She provided information on	
	two open-label extension trials for Austedo and guideline updates	
	relative to movement disorder agents.	
	No written comment was received.	
ii. Presentation of utilization	Dr. Jill LeCheminant noted the mechanism of action and indications	
and clinical information.	for two movement disorder medications: Austedo and Ingrezza.	
	She reviewed the proposed criteria for both drugs and discussed	
	the utilization of the medications in the class.	
	Mr. Luke Lim proposed the criteria include safety-related exclusion	
	criteria from the FDA label. He highlighted the utilization of	
	Ingrezza.	

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	Dr. Jason Crecco agreed with the proposed criteria and noted				
	Ingrezza as the highest used agent.				
	Mr. Tom Beranek agreed with the proposed criteria and noted				
	Austedo and Ingrezza utilization.				
	 Board Member Tran agreed with the propose	ed crite	ria.		
iii. Discussion by Board and	Chairperson Wheeler asked for comments from				
review of utilization data.	Members.				
	Board Member Canty discussed a motion to			•	
	related criteria suggested by Anthem. Board				
	asked for clarification as to why the proposed			-	
	removed the safety-related criteria. Dr. LeCh		•		
	current criteria included safety-related requi				
	removed to allow for less restrictive access, a neurologist or psychiatrist would monitor safe	_			
	The Board discussed the safety-related criter	incerns.			
iv. Proposed adoption of	Board Member Adeolokun motioned to appr		Auste	do	
updated prior authorization	criteria as presented by Optum.				
criteria.					
	Board Member England seconded the motion	n.			
	A vote was held:	Vaa	NI.	۸ ام م ا	
	Jennifer Wheeler, Pharm.D., Chair	Yes ⊠	No	Abst. □	
	Netochi Adeolokun, Pharm.D., Vice Chair				
	Mark Canty, MD				
	Crystal Castaneda, MD				
	Dave England, Pharm.D.	\boxtimes			
	Michael Owens, MD	\boxtimes			
	Rebecca Sparks, PA-C	\boxtimes			
	Jim Tran, Pharm.D.				

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b. For Possible Action: Discussion and possible adoption of prior	Board Member England motioned to approve the Ingrezza criteria as presented. Board Member Canty seconded the motion. A vote was held: Yes No Abst. Jennifer Wheeler, Pharm.D., Chair Netochi Adeolokun, Pharm.D., Vice Chair Mark Canty, MD Crystal Castaneda, MD Dave England, Pharm.D. Michael Owens, MD Rebecca Sparks, PA-C Jim Tran, Pharm.D.	
authorization criteria and/or quantity limits for Sedative Hypnotics.		
i. <u>Public comment</u> on proposed clinical prior authorization criteria.	Telephonic and web comment was called for, and the phone lines were opened. No public comment was provided. No written comment was received.	
ii. Presentation of utilization and clinical information.	Dr. LeCheminant discussed the new indication of Hetlioz to treat nighttime sleep disturbances in Smith-Magenis syndrome (SMS). Dr. LeCheminant reviewed the proposed criteria presented in the binder and discussed the utilization of Hetlioz. Mr. Lim agreed with the proposed criteria and noted no utilization.	

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	Dr. Crecco agreed with the proposed criteria and noted no utilization. Mr. Beranek agreed with the proposed criteria. He noted no utilization of Hetlioz.	
	Board Member Tran proposed adding an age minimum of 18 years old.	
iii. Discussion by Board and review of utilization data.	Chairperson Wheeler asked for comments from the Board Members. Board Member Castaneda asked why the proposed criteria included an age minimum of three years old. Dr. LeCheminant stated that is the age indication per the FDA label and confirmed a request could be submitted for patients under three years of age.	
iv. Proposed adoption of updated prior authorization criteria.	Board Member Adeolokun moved to approve the criteria as presented. Board Member Canty seconded the motion.	
	A vote was held: Yes No Abst. Jennifer Wheeler, Pharm.D., Chair Netochi Adeolokun, Pharm.D., Vice Chair Mark Canty, MD Crystal Castaneda, MD Dave England, Pharm.D. Michael Owens, MD Rebecca Sparks, PA-C Jim Tran, Pharm.D.	
c. <u>For Possible Action</u> : Discussion and possible adoption of prior		

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authorization criteria and/or		
quantity limits for Monoclonal		
Antibodies for the Treatment		
of Respiratory Conditions.		
i. <u>Public comment</u> on	Telephonic and web comment was called for, and the phone lines	
proposed clinical prior	were opened.	
authorization criteria.		
	Comment was provided by Dr. Ben Droese from Amgen Medical	
	Affairs regarding Tezspire. Dr. Droese commented on clinical trials	
	showing efficacy. He discussed the clinical indication and Tezspire's	
	novel approach to treating severe asthma. He requested Tezspire be added as a preferred treatment option.	
	be added as a preferred treatment option.	
	Written comment was received regarding Tezspire.	
	Written comment was received regarding Dupixent requesting	
	otolaryngologists be added as an acceptable prescriber specialty for	
	the chronic rhinosinusitis with nasal polyps indication.	
ii. Presentation of utilization	Dr. LeCheminant proposed a name change for the title of the prior	
and clinical information.	authorization from Respiratory Monoclonal Antibody Agents to	
	Respiratory and Allergy Biologics. She noted the criteria include	
	coverage for indications other than respiratory conditions.	
	Dr. LeCheminant discussed the new indication of Xolair for the	
	treatment of nasal polyps. She reviewed the proposed criteria	
	presented in the binder and discussed the utilization of	
	medications in this class.	
	Mr. Lim agreed with the proposed criteria and noted Dupixent is,	
	by far, the most used in this class.	
	Dr. Crecco agreed with the proposed criteria and noted high	
	utilization of Xolair.	

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	Mr. Beranek agreed with the proposed criteria. He noted the utilization of Xolair and Dupixent. Board Member Tran agreed with the Xolair proposed criteria. He noted suggested changes to criteria for other agents in this class.	
iii. Discussion by Board and review of utilization data.	Chairperson Wheeler asked for comments from the Board Members. The Board discussed the prescriber specialties for Dupixent criteria.	
iv. Proposed adoption of updated prior authorization criteria.	Board Member Castaneda moved to add otolaryngologists to the prescriber specialties for Dupixent's chronic rhinosinusitis with nasal polyps' indication. Board Member England seconded the motion.	
	A vote was held: Yes No Abst. Jennifer Wheeler, Pharm.D., Chair Netochi Adeolokun, Pharm.D., Vice Chair Mark Canty, MD Crystal Castaneda, MD Dave England, Pharm.D. Michael Owens, MD Rebecca Sparks, PA-C Jim Tran, Pharm.D. Board Member Adeolokun moved to accept the proposed name change to Respiratory and Allergy Biologics. Board Member England seconded the motion. A vote was held:	

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		Yes	No	Abst.	
	Jennifer Wheeler, Pharm.D., Chair	\boxtimes			
	Netochi Adeolokun, Pharm.D., Vice Chair	\boxtimes			
	Mark Canty, MD	\boxtimes			
	Crystal Castaneda, MD	\boxtimes			
	Dave England, Pharm.D.	\boxtimes			
	Michael Owens, MD	\boxtimes			
	Rebecca Sparks, PA-C	\boxtimes			
	Jim Tran, Pharm.D.	\boxtimes			
	Board Member Tran motioned to approve the presented.	e Xolair	criteri	a as	
	Board Member Sparks seconded the motion.				
	A vote was held:				
		Yes	No	Abst.	
	Jennifer Wheeler, Pharm.D., Chair	\boxtimes			
	Netochi Adeolokun, Pharm.D., Vice Chair	\boxtimes			
	Mark Canty, MD	\boxtimes			
	Crystal Castaneda, MD	\boxtimes			
	Dave England, Pharm.D.	\boxtimes			
	Michael Owens, MD	\boxtimes			
	Rebecca Sparks, PA-C	\boxtimes			
	Jim Tran, Pharm.D.	\boxtimes			
d. For Possible Action: Discussion					
and possible adoption of prior					
authorization criteria and/or					
quantity limits for Vuity.					
i. <u>Public comment</u> on	Telephonic and web comment was called for,	and th	e phor	ne lines	
proposed clinical prior	were opened.				
authorization criteria.					

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	Comment was provided by Ms. Charlie Lovan from AbbVie for	
	Vuity. She informed the Board she was available for any questions.	
	No written comment was received.	
ii. Presentation of utilization	Dr. LeCheminant discussed the drug Vuity, including the	
and clinical information.	mechanism of action, indication, administration, and clinical trial	
	showing efficacy. Dr. LeCheminant reviewed the proposed criteria	
	presented in the binder and discussed the utilization of the Vuity.	
	Mr. Lim agreed with the proposed criteria and reported no	
	utilization for Vuity.	
	Dr. Crecco agreed with the proposed criteria and noted no	
	utilization.	
	Mr. Beranek agreed with the proposed criteria and noted no	
	utilization.	
	Board Member Tran proposed an age minimum of 18 years of age	
	be added to the criteria.	
iii. Discussion by Board and	Chairperson Wheeler asked for comments from the Board	
review of utilization data.	Members.	
	No comments were made.	
iv. Proposed adoption of	Board Member Adeolokun motioned to approve the Vuity criteria	
updated prior authorization	as presented.	
criteria.	Doord Mombay Costanada sacandad tha matian	
	Board Member Castaneda seconded the motion.	
	A vote was held:	
	Yes No Abst.	
	Jennifer Wheeler, Pharm.D., Chair	
	Netochi Adeolokun, Pharm.D., Vice Chair	

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	Mark Canty, MD □ □	
	Crystal Castaneda, MD	
	Dave England, Pharm.D.	
	Michael Owens, MD □ □	
	Rebecca Sparks, PA-C	
	Jim Tran, Pharm.D. □ □	
5. DUR Board Requested Reports		
a. For Possible Action: Opioid		
utilization – top prescriber and		
members.		
i. Presentation of opioid criteria		
ii. Discussion by the Board and	Dr. LeCheminant presented the opioid utilization report. She	
review of utilization data.	summarized the opioid 12-month trend. Dr. LeCheminant discussed	
	the patient diagnoses of the top utilizers, and those members being	
	treated with opioids for cancer pain were excluded from the top	
	utilizers. She noted prescribed morphine equivalent dosing (MED)	
	of the top providers.	
	NAU line manageted animid willingtion to and identified a stand.	
	Mr. Lim presented opioid utilization trends and identified a steady	
	MED level. He discussed the top providers and top utilizers, noting	
	the high use of methadone.	
	Dr. Crecco presented opioid utilization trends. He noted a slight	
	downward trend in opioid scripts and discussed the top prescribers,	
	top members and how the two lists correlate.	
	Mr. Beranek presented opioid utilization trends highlighting a	
	decrease in utilization. He discussed the top 10 prescribers, noting	
	little change from quarter to quarter.	
	Board Member Castaneda expressed concern about the high opioid	
	utilization. The Board discussed options to address high opioid	

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	utilization, including sending letters to the top prescribers and	
	members. Chief Olsen shared a letter template as an option to	
	notify providers. The Board discussed if they should exclude certain	
	prescribers from receiving the letter, such as oncologists.	
iii. Requests for further	The Board requested the letter template be provided for review	
evaluation of proposed	and details of the top 10 prescribers be included in the reports.	
clinical criteria to be		
presented at a later date.		
6. Standard DUR Reports		
a. Review of Prescribing/ Program Trends.		
i. Top 10 Therapeutic Classes	Dr. LeCheminant presented the top classes with similar results over	
for Q4 2021 (by Payment and	the quarter, with hemostatic agents on the top by spend amount	
by Claims).	and anticonvulsants at the top by claim count.	
	Mr. Lim presented the top classes and highlighted viral vaccines as	
	the top class by claim count.	
	Dr. Crosso prosented the ten classes and identified viral vaccines as	
	Dr. Crecco presented the top classes and identified viral vaccines as the top class by claim count.	
	the top class by claim count.	
	Mr. Beranek presented the top drug classes and identified viral	
	vaccines as the top class by claim count.	
b. Concurrent Drug Utilization		
Review (CDUR).		
i. Review of Q4 2021.	Dr. LeCheminant highlighted the prospective DUR reports and the	
ii. Review of Top Encounters by	interventions.	
Problem Type.		
	Mr. Lim discussed the prospective DUR and the interventions.	
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	Dr. Crecco pointed out the prospective DUR report and the	
	interventions.	

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	Mr. Beranek pointed out the prospective DUR report and the	
	interventions.	
c. Retrospective Drug Utilization		
Review (RetroDUR).		
 Status of previous quarter. 	Dr. LeCheminant discussed the retrospective DUR initiatives during	
ii. Status of current quarter.	the last quarter with members concurrently using an opioid,	
iii. Review and discussion of	antipsychotic, and benzodiazepine.	
responses.		
	Mr. Lim highlighted the retrospective DUR programs, including	
	diabetic monitoring and flu vaccination.	
	Dr. Crecco discussed retrospective DUR initiatives and results,	
	highlighting the gap in care initiatives for asthma, cardiovascular,	
	and COPD.	
	and corb.	
	Mr. Beranek discussed the retrospective DUR program highlighting	
	outreach to providers regarding dangerous three-drug	
	combinations, respiratory overuse, MME benchmark, diabetic	
	under-use, and antiepileptic adherence. He noted overall response	
	rates.	
7. Closing Discussion		
a. Public Comment.	Telephonic and web comment was called for, and the phone lines	
	were opened.	
	No public comment was offered.	
b. For Possible Action: Date and	Chairperson Wheeler stated the next meeting is scheduled for July	
location of the next meeting.	28, 2022.	
c. Adjournment.	The meeting adjourned at 2:44 p.m.	

Attachment A – Members of the Public in Attendance

Andrada, Alex, Optum
Angelcyk, Steve
Ashton, Elisa, JNJ
Bailey, Abigail, DHCFP
Belz, Jeanette, Belz & Case
Berry, Kenneth, Alkermes
Breen, Amy

De Rosa, Regina, WellPoint Deason, John, Neurocrine Delgado, Brenda, Novonordisk Dickerson, Todd, Jazz Pharma

Droese, Ben, Amagen Embra, Jason, Molina Germain Jr., Joe, Biogen
Gonzales, Becky, ViiV
Hameline, William, MWE
Harrison, Emily, Molina
Hart, Tiffani, WellPoint
Hartman, Nena, Neurocrine
Hawkins, Tina, Magellan
Kim, James, Magellan
Kunke, Kenneth, Roseman
Lawrence, Henry, Fidelis Rx
Levin, MD, Amy, WellPoint

Lovan, Charlie, Abbvie Mahoney, Cassandra, Roseman Mishra, Rajendra, VA Ou, Karen, Gilead

Pearson, Cinnamon, Pearson

Roa, Ryan, Merck Sato, Samantha

Sullivan, Mike, Amagen White, Rianna, Fidelis Rx Williams, Jameca, Anthem

Yamashita, Kelvin Yang, Rochelle, Teva

Zarob, Michael, Alkermes

Attachment B - Submitted Written Comment



