

The changes in this bulletin go into effect **April 1, 2017**, unless noted otherwise. They apply to all groups that use the PAI Preferred Drug List and the Generics Drug List.

## FORMULARY CHANGES

### EXCLUDED DRUG LIST

**D.H.E. (brand)** and **Migranal (brand)** – These drugs are new additions to the Excluded Drug List. **We will grandfather** members currently taking them until April 1, 2017.

**Member Communications:** We will send notification letters to affected members.

**EpiPen (brand)** – This exclusion will go into effect on April 1, 2017. **We will grandfather** members currently using this drug until June 1, 2017.

**Member Communications:** We will send notification letters to affected members.

## PRIOR AUTHORIZATION (PA) PROGRAM CHANGES

### MEDICAL NECESSITY PA (MNPA)

These drugs will be added to the MNPA program. In addition to meeting other PA criteria, the member must have tried certain alternate drugs before approval will be given.

Condition	Before you have coverage for one of these drugs ...	... you must have tried at least one of these alternative drugs first.
<b>Diabetes</b>	Fortamet (generic)	Metformin, metformin ext-rel (generics for Glucophage, Glucophage XR)
<b>Hypertension</b>	Benicar/HCT	candesartan, eprosartan, irbesartan, losartan, candesartan-HCT, irbesartan-HCT, losartan-HCT, valsartan, valsartan-HCT, olmesartan and olmesartan-HCT

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## STEP THERAPY PROGRAM CHANGES

Condition	Before you have coverage for this drug ...	... you must have tried at least one of these alternative drugs first.
<b>Schizophrenia, Bipolar Disorder</b>	Seroquel XR	generic aripiprazole, generic clozapine immediate release, generic clozapine orally disintegrating tabs (ODT), generic paliperidone, generic risperidone (any dosage form), generic olanzapine (any dosage form), generic quetiapine, generic ziprasidone or generic quetiapine extended release

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Please direct questions to your PAI Representative.