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Medicaid Fee-for-Service (FFS) Coverage of Topical Compounded Drug Products

Effective **November 28, 2018**, based on a previous Drug Utilization Review Board (DURB) recommendation, Medicaid FFS will implement editing on prescriptions for topical compounded drug products. These edits will ensure that compounded topical drug products meet State and Federal regulations and that the compound ingredients are FDA or compendia supported for topical use.

For more information on Federal and State regulations of topical compounded drugs visit: Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act (FD&C Act) §503a

<https://www.fda.gov/Drugs/GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/PharmacyCompounding/ucm376733.htm>

NY State Codes, Rules and Regulations Title 18, §503.3

<https://regs.health.ny.gov/content/section-5053-drugs>

For additional information on Medicaid Policy on coverage of topical compounded drugs visit:

https://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/program/update/2014/feb14_mu.pdf

For more detailed information on the above DUR Board recommendations, please refer to the meeting summary at:

https://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/program/dur/meetings/2015/09/summary_durb.pdf

Please note that PA requirements are not dependent on the date a prescription is written. New prescriptions and refills on existing prescriptions require PA even if the prescription was written before the date the drug was determined to require PA.

The following is a link to the most up-to-date information on the Medicaid FFS Pharmacy Prior Authorization programs. This document contains a full listing of drugs subject to PDP, Clinical Drug Review Program (CDRP), DUR Program, Brand Less than Generic program (BLTG), Dose Optimization Program and the Mandatory Generic Drug Program (MGDP):

https://newyork.fhsc.com/downloads/providers/NYRx_PDP_PDL.pdf

To obtain a PA, please call the prior authorization clinical call center at 1-877-309-9493. The clinical call center is available 24 hours per day, 7 days per week with pharmacy technicians and pharmacists who will work with you, or your agent, to quickly obtain a PA.

Medicaid enrolled prescribers with an active e-PACES account can initiate PA requests through the web-based application PAXpress®. The website for PAXpress is

<https://paxpress.nypa.hidinc.com/>, and can also be accessed through the eMedNY website at <https://www.emedny.org/>

Magellan Medicaid Administration's website is found: <https://newyork.fhsc.com/>