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UPDATE: Pharmacy Coverage for Children in Foster Care Facilities

Most of the medication costs for children residing in Foster Care facilities or group homes are covered by the Medicaid per diem paid to the facility. There are times however where the cost of the medication exceeds a cost sustainable by the per diem. The list of drugs that are carved-out of the per diem rate has been updated and posted on the DOH website. Effective August 1, 2018 Drugs on this list can be billed directly to Medicaid Fee-for-Service.

This list is subject to change due to ongoing market activity and will be reviewed regularly. Coverage of high cost drugs not included on this list will be considered on a case by case basis. The agency should send such requests to the Office of Children and Family Services. All claims will be subject to Fee-For-Service Preferred Drug List (PDL) criteria and prior approval process if applicable.

Preferred agents in the following classes on the PDL
Anticholinergics / COPD Agents
Antipsychotics – Second Generation
Antipsychotics, Injectable
Anti-Virals – Topical
Benzodiazepines – Rectal
Biguanides
Central Nervous System (CNS) Stimulants
Corticosteroid/Beta2 Adrenergic Agent (Long-Acting) Combinations – Inhaled
Corticosteroids – Inhaled
Epinephrine, Self-injected
Growth Hormones
Hepatitis C Agents – Direct Acting Antivirals
Immunomodulators – Topical
Insulin – Mixes
Insulin – Rapid-Acting
Other Agents for Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)
Pancreatic Enzymes
Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension (PAH) Oral Agents, Other
Antiretroviral Drugs used for HIV
Individual Drugs Listed below
Chlorpromazine
Lupron Depot
Onfi
Prograf
Pulmicort Respule
Synagis
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