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**UPDATE**  
**WellCare's New York Medicaid**  
**Preferred Drug List**

Dear Provider:

At the **June 8, 2017** WellCare Pharmacy & Therapeutics Committee meeting, it was decided that the following changes will be made to **WellCare's New York Medicaid Preferred Drug List (PDL)**, effective **08/22/2017**. Please carefully review these changes.

Key	
<b>UPPER CASE</b> = Brand Name Drugs	<b>PA</b> = Prior Authorization
<b>Lower case italics</b> = Generic Drugs	<b>QL</b> = Quantity Limits
<b>PDL</b> = Preferred Drug List	<b>ST</b> = Step Therapy
<b>YOA</b> = Years of Age	<b>AL</b> = Age Limit
<b>SC</b> = Safety Concerns	<b>LU</b> = Low Utilization
<b>PC</b> = Pharmacoeconomic Considerations	<b>DD</b> = Discontinued Drug
<b>GA</b> = Generic Available	

Effective date of change: **08/22/2017**

Drug Name	Therapeutic Class	Change/Reason for Change	PDL Alternative (if applicable)
<b>ADDITIONS TO THE PDL</b>			
COPAXONE 40 mg solution for injection	Psychotherapeutic and Neurological agents-Misc	Added to the PDL w/ PA	
ENBREL 25, 50 mg pre-filled syringe	Analgesics-Anti-Inflammatory	Added to the PDL w/ PA	
ENBREL SURECLICK 25, 50 mg/ml injection	Analgesics-Anti-Inflammatory	Added to the PDL w/ PA	
<i>hyoscyamine</i> 0.125 mg orally disintegrating , sublingual, oral tablet	Ulcer drugs	Added to the PDL	
<i>hyoscyamine</i> 0.125 mg/5ml elixir	Ulcer drugs	Added to the PDL	

<i>hyoscyamine</i> 0.125 mg/ml drop	Ulcer drugs	Added to the PDL	
<i>hyoscyamine</i> 0.375 mg extended-release tablet	Ulcer drugs	Added to the PDL	
NICOTINE SYSTEM transdermal kit	Psychotherapeutic and Neurological agents-MISC	Added to the PDL w/ QL: 56 patches / 365 days	
RETROVIR 10 mg/ml intravenous solution	Antivirals	Added to the PDL	
<i>rizatriptan</i> 5, 10 mg orally disintegrating tablet	Migraine products	Added to the PDL	
SLEEP AID 25 mg tablet	Hypnotics/Sedatives/ Sleep order agents	Added to the PDL	
<b>UTILIZATION MANAGEMENT CHANGES</b>			
ADVAIR DISKUS aerosol powder breath activated 100-50 mcg/dose inhalation	Respiratory agent	<p>Added AL: Maximum 3 years and younger: Product/Service not covered; Minimum patient 4 years old;</p> <p>Members 4 &amp; 5 years old; Covered; QL 60 inhalations/ 30 days</p> <p>Members 6 YOA and older: Product/Service not covered; Maximum patient age 5 years old</p>	

		(Existing users will be grandfathered)	
<i>cetirizine hcl</i> solution/syrup & tablets	Antihistamine	ST added	
<i>rizatriptan</i> 5, 10 mg tablet	Migraine products	Removed AL	
<b>REMOVALS FROM THE PDL</b>			
ADVAIR DISKUS aerosol powder breath activated 250-50, 500-50, mcg/dose inhalation	Respiratory agent	Removed from the PDL/PC	SYMBICORT, DULERA, & <i>fluticasone/salmeterol respiclick</i> (Existing users will be grandfathered)
ADVAIR HFA aerosol 115-21, 230-21, 45-21 mcg/act inhalation	Respiratory agent	Removed from the PDL/PC	SYMBICORT, DULERA, & <i>fluticasone/salmeterol respiclick</i> (Existing users will be grandfathered)
<i>clobetasol propionate</i> 0.05% cream, ointment, gel	Dermatological agents	Removed from the PDL/PC	<i>halobetasol propionate</i> 0.05% cream, ointment, <i>fluocinonide</i> 0.05% ointment, cream, gel, <i>betamethasone dipropionate</i> 0.05% ointment, cream & lotion
MEPROBAMATE 200, 400 mg tablet	Antianxiety agents	Removed from the PDL/LU	<i>bupirone hcl</i> oral tablet 10, 15, 30, 5, 7.5 mg
<i>ondansetron hcl</i> 4, 8 mg tablet	Antiemetic	Removed from the PDL/LU	<i>ondansetron orally dispersible</i> tablet
RIDAURA 3 mg	Analgesics-Anti-	Removed from	ENBREL,



capsule	Inflammatory	the PDL/PC	HUMIRA injection, <i>methotrexate</i>
SIMPONI 50, 100 mg auto-injector for injection	Analgesics-Anti-Inflammatory	Removed from the PDL/PC	ENBREL, HUMIRA injection
SIMPONI 50, 100 mg pre-filled syringe	Analgesics-Anti-Inflammatory	Removed from the PDL/PC	ENBREL, HUMIRA injection
SIMPONI ARIA 50mg/4 ml solution for injection	Analgesics-Anti-Inflammatory	Removed from the PDL/PC	ENBREL, HUMIRA injection

If you have questions, WellCare of New York’s Health Plan’s Pharmacy Help Desk is available to assist providers at **1-800-288-5441**.

Thank you for your care of WellCare’s New York Medicaid members.

Sincerely,  
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