Geisinger Medicare 2022 Step Therapy Criteria
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APOKYN

Affected Drugs (also known as Step-2-Drugs):
Apokyn

Step Therapy Criteria: On-line prescription drug claim history showing 15 days use of a Step 1 drug, within previous 180 days. If step therapy criteria are not met, prescriber should request an exception for coverage.

Step 1 Drugs: Kynmobi

Number of days for claims review for select or first line drugs: 180
Affected Drugs (also known as Step-2-Drugs):
Asmanex (120 Metered Doses)
Asmanex (14 Metered Doses)
Asmanex (30 Metered Doses)
Asmanex (60 Metered Doses)
Asmanex HFA

**Step Therapy Criteria:** On-line prescription drug claim history showing 15 days use of two Step 1 drugs, within previous 180 days. If step therapy criteria are not met, prescribing provider should request an exception for coverage.

**Step 1 Drugs:** Arnuity Ellipta and Qvar

**Number of days for claims review for select or first line drugs:** 180
BAFIERTAM

Affected Drugs (also known as Step-2-Drugs):
Bafiertam

Step Therapy Criteria: On-line prescription drug claim history showing 15 days use of a Step 1 drug, within previous 180 days. If step therapy criteria are not met, prescriber should request an exception for coverage.

Step 1 Drugs: Dimethyl Fumarate

Number of days for claims review for select or first line drugs: 180
DESVENLAFAXINE ER

Affected Drugs (also known as Step-2-Drugs):
Desvenlafaxine ER

Step Therapy Criteria: On-line prescription drug claim history showing 15 days use of a Step 1 drug, within previous 180 days. If step therapy criteria are not met, prescribing provider should request an exception for coverage.

Step 1 Drugs: Desvenlafaxine Succinate ER

Number of days for claims review for select or first line drugs: 180
GLP1 NPD - BYDUREON

Affected Drugs (also known as Step-2-Drugs):
Bydureon

Step Therapy Criteria: On-line prescription drug claim history showing 15 days use of two Step 1 drugs, within previous 180 days. If step therapy criteria are not met, prescribing provider should request an exception for coverage.

Step 1 Drugs: Victoza, Ozempic, Trulicity, or Rybelsus

Number of days for claims review for select or first line drugs: 180
Affected Drugs (also known as Step-2-Drugs):
Bydureon BCise

Step Therapy Criteria: On-line prescription drug claim history showing 15 days use of two Step 1 drugs, within previous 180 days. If step therapy criteria are not met, prescribing provider should request an exception for coverage.

Step 1 Drugs: Victoza, Ozempic, Trulicity, or Rybelsus

Number of days for claims review for select or first line drugs: 180
Affected Drugs (also known as Step-2-Drugs):
Byetta 10 MCG Pen
Byetta 5 MCG Pen

Step Therapy Criteria: On-line prescription drug claim history showing 15 days use of two Step 1 drugs, within previous 180 days. If step therapy criteria are not met, prescribing provider should request an exception for coverage.

Step 1 Drugs: Victoza, Ozempic, Trulicity, or Rybelsus

Number of days for claims review for select or first line drugs: 180
Affected Drugs (also known as Step-2-Drugs):
Neupro

**Step Therapy Criteria:** On-line prescription drug claim history showing 15 days use of two Step 1 drugs, within previous 180 days. If step therapy criteria are not met, prescribing provider should request an exception for coverage.

**Step 1 Drugs:** Pramipexole and Ropinirole

**Number of days for claims review for select or first line drugs:** 180
**ONGENTYS**

**Affected Drugs (also known as Step-2-Drugs):**
Ongentys

**Step Therapy Criteria:** On-line prescription drug claim history showing 15 days use of a Step 1 drug, within previous 180 days. If step therapy criteria are not met, prescriber should request an exception for coverage.

**Step 1 Drugs:** Either Entacapone, Carbidopa-Levodopa-Entacapone, or Tolcapone

**Number of days for claims review for select or first line drugs:** 180
Affected Drugs (also known as Step-2-Drugs):
oxyCODONE HCl ER
OxyCONTIN

Step Therapy Criteria: On-line prescription drug claim history showing 15 days use of a Step 1 drug, within previous 180 days. If step therapy criteria are not met, prescribing provider should request an exception for coverage.

Step 1 Drugs: Morphine Sulfate Extended Release

Number of days for claims review for select or first line drugs: 180
Affected Drugs (also known as Step-2-Drugs):
Esomeprazole Magnesium

**Step Therapy Criteria:** On-line prescription drug claim history showing 15 days use of two Step 1 drugs, within previous 180 days. If step therapy criteria are not met, prescribing provider should request an exception for coverage.

**Step 1 Drugs:** Either two generic formulary PPI's which include Lansoprazole, Omeprazole, Rabeprazole and Pantoprazole or Lansoprazole and Misoprostol for prophylaxis of NSAID associated gastropathy

**Number of days for claims review for select or first line drugs:** 180
**Affected Drugs (also known as Step-2-Drugs):**
Pradaxa

**Step Therapy Criteria:** On-line prescription drug claim history showing 15 days use of a Step 1 drug, within previous 180 days. If step therapy criteria are not met, prescribing provider should request an exception for coverage.

**Step 1 Drugs:** Eliquis or Xarelto

**Number of days for claims review for select or first line drugs:** 180
RHOPRESSA

Affected Drugs (also known as Step-2-Drugs):
Rhopressa
Rocklatan

Step Therapy Criteria: On-line prescription drug claim history showing 15 days use of a Step 1 drug, within previous 180 days. If step therapy criteria are not met, prescriber should request an exception for coverage.

Step 1 Drugs: Latanoprost or Travoprost

Number of days for claims review for select or first line drugs: 180
Affected Drugs (also known as Step-2-Drugs):
Spritam

Step Therapy Criteria: On-line prescription drug claim history showing 15 days use of a Step 1 drug, within previous 180 days. If step therapy criteria are not met, prescribing provider should request an exception for coverage.

Step 1 Drugs: Levetiracetam Oral Solution

Number of days for claims review for select or first line drugs: 180
SYMBICORT

Affected Drugs (also known as Step-2-Drugs):
Budesonide-Formoterol Fumarate

Step Therapy Criteria: On-line prescription drug claim history showing 15 days use of two Step 1 drugs, within previous 180 days. If step therapy criteria are not met, prescribing provider should request an exception for coverage.

Step 1 Drugs: Formulary Version of (1) Fluticasone/Salmeterol and (2) Breo Ellipta

Number of days for claims review for select or first line drugs: 180
TOLCAPONE

Affected Drugs (also known as Step-2-Drugs):
Tolcapone

**Step Therapy Criteria:** On-line prescription drug claim history showing 15 days use of two Step 1 drugs, within previous 180 days. If step therapy criteria are not met, prescribing provider should request an exception for coverage.

**Step 1 Drugs:** (1) Ongentys and either (2) Entacapone or Carbidopa-Levodopa-Entacapone

**Number of days for claims review for select or first line drugs:** 180
TRAVOPROST

Affected Drugs (also known as Step-2-Drugs):
Travoprost (BAK Free)

Step Therapy Criteria: On-line prescription drug claim history showing 15 days use of a Step 1 drug, within previous 180 days. If step therapy criteria are not met, prescriber should request an exception for coverage.

Step 1 Drugs: Latanoprost

Number of days for claims review for select or first line drugs: 180
Affected Drugs (also known as Step-2-Drugs):
Tudorza Pressair

Step Therapy Criteria: On-line prescription drug claim history showing 15 days use of two Step 1 drugs, within previous 180 days. If step therapy criteria are not met, prescribing provider should request an exception for coverage.

Step 1 Drugs: Spiriva and Incruse Ellipta

Number of days for claims review for select or first line drugs: 180
Affected Drugs (also known as Step-2-Drugs):
Febuxostat

Step Therapy Criteria: On-line prescription drug claim history showing 15 days use of a Step 1 drug, within previous 180 days. If step therapy criteria are not met, prescribing provider should request an exception for coverage.

Step 1 Drugs: Allopurinol

Number of days for claims review for select or first line drugs: 180
Affected Drugs (also known as Step-2-Drugs):
Velphoro

Step Therapy Criteria: On-line prescription drug claim history showing 15 days use of two Step 1 drugs, within previous 180 days. If step therapy criteria are not met, prescribing provider should request an exception for coverage.

Step 1 Drugs: Calcium Acetate and Either Sevelamer Carbonate or Lanthanum Carbonate

Number of days for claims review for select or first line drugs: 180
Affected Drugs (also known as Step-2-Drugs):
Vumerity
Vumerity (Starter)

Step Therapy Criteria: On-line prescription drug claim history showing 15 days use of a Step 1 drug, within previous 180 days. If step therapy criteria are not met, prescriber should request an exception for coverage.

Step 1 Drugs: Dimethyl Fumarate

Number of days for claims review for select or first line drugs: 180
Affected Drugs (also known as Step-2-Drugs):
Xelpros

Step Therapy Criteria: On-line prescription drug claim history showing 15 days use of a Step 1 drug, within previous 180 days. If step therapy criteria are not met, prescribing provider should request an exception for coverage.

Step 1 Drugs: Latanoprost

Number of days for claims review for select or first line drugs: 180
Affected Drugs (also known as Step-2-Drugs):
Xultophy

**Step Therapy Criteria:** On-line prescription drug claim history showing 15 days use of a Step 1 drug, within previous 180 days. If step therapy criteria are not met, prescribing provider should request an exception for coverage.

**Step 1 Drugs:** One formulary GLP-1 Agonist or one formulary long-acting basal insulin product

**Number of days for claims review for select or first line drugs:** 180
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