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**DEPT. OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** 



# Drug Utilization Review Board Meeting Minutes November 12, 2024

DRAFT pending approval at the next meeting

**DUR Board Members in attendance**: Marin Broucek, M.D., Charlie Moore, R.P., Dave Randolph R.P.

**Nebraska Medicaid & LTC attendees in person**: Carisa Schweitzer-Masek, R.P. Deputy Director Population Health, Lee Stutzman, R.P., Pharmacy Director; Leah Spencer, R.N., Program Specialist; Dianne Garside, R.P., Spencer Moore, R.P.

**Contracted attendees**: Jamie Benson, R.P., Nebraska Total Care; Shannon Nelson, R.P., Molina Healthcare of Nebraska; Shaleigh Hammons, Account executive, Prime Therapeutics, Nikia Bennette-Carter, R.P. Pharmacist Prime Therapeutics

**Public visitors in attendance in person**: Randal Roth, Merck, Kurt Hendrickson, AbbVie, Jeff Houston, AbbVie, Donna Osterland, Sanofi, Shelly Nickerson, Neurocrine, Scott Bettis, Neurocrine

## I. Opening and Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm. The meeting was held at the Best Western Plus Lincoln Inn & Suites in Lincoln, NE. The open meetings act was available. Lee Stutzman R.P. was introduced as the new Pharmacy Director for Nebraska Medicaid.

## II. Conflict of Interest or changes

No changes in conflict of interest were declared.

## III. Agenda approval

The agenda was unanimously approved.

## IV. Approval of Minutes from DUR Board, July 9, 2024 meeting

The minutes were unanimously approved.

## V. Special Topics - None

## VI. Retrospective DUR

- A. Old Business
  - a. SUPPORT ACT Review
    - i. State provided data from previous state fiscal year on:
      - 1. Opioids with benzodiazepines
      - 2. Opioids with antipsychotics
      - 3. Opioids with gabapentin/pregabalin
  - b. ADHD medications and Antipsychotics in Foster Children
    - i. Conversation regarding gaps in therapy due to shortages by board members
    - ii. State will provide utilization data on ADHD medications at the next meeting
- **B. New Business** Randolph raises concerns regarding concomitant use of gabapentin and pregabalin. Randolph requests utilization data of these two drugs, excluding members undergoing a taper/switch.

## VII. Prospective DUR

- A. Old Business None
- B. New Business
  - a. New Drug Review
    - State introduced three new drugs listed on the PDL: Iqirvo (elafibranor), Zoryve (roflumilast), and Ohtuvayre (ensifentrine). Their indications and criteria were discussed. All are placed on the PDL as non-preferred as they had not yet been reviewed by the P&T Committee.
  - b. Opioid Dependence Treatment Annual Review
    State reviewed the current prior authorization form and the Informed Consent Form.
    No changes were recommended by the Board.
    - i. Board mentioned that SUD treatments are potentially being underutilized. Options for provider education were discussed.

#### VIII. Future Meeting Date

The next meeting is scheduled for January 14, 2025.

## IX. Concerns & Comments

- A. Board Members:
  - a. New Board member Matthew Titchener was introduced as he was a participant online
  - b. Cost of dispensing survey was discussed.
  - c. Charlie Moore raised concerns about the reimbursement
- B. DUR Director and State Representatives: Cost of dispensing survey
- C. Prime Therapeutics Representatives: None
- D. Manage Care Organization (MCO) Representatives: None

#### X. Adjournment

The motion to adjourn the meeting was unanimously approved. Schweitzer-Masek adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.