



To: Georgia Health Partners
 From: CareSource® Pharmacy Department
 Subject: Georgia Medicaid Short-Acting Opioid Limits for Acute Pain
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Attention Health Partners:

As previously announced, CareSource will be implementing a change to the MED limits for opioids for members with acute pain on October 1, 2018. In an attempt to prevent prior authorizations and patients being denied coverage for their opioids, we recommend not using “range” or “double-range” orders in which the dose or dosing interval varies over a prescribed range which exceeds 60 MED. We have listed MED limits for commonly prescribed agents in the table below.

Drug Name & Strength	Max Daily Tabs to be ≤ 60 MED	Max order allowed to be ≤ 60 MED
Hydrocodone/APAP 5mg/325mg	12 tabs	2 tabs every 4 hours PRN
Hydrocodone/APAP 7.5mg/325mg	8 tabs	2 tabs every 6 hours PRN
Hydrocodone/APAP 10mg/325mg	6 tabs	1 tab every 4 hours PRN
Oxycodone/APAP 5mg/325mg	8 tabs	2 tabs every 6 hours PRN
Oxycodone/APAP 7.5mg/325mg	5 tabs	1 tab 5 times daily PRN
Oxycodone (IR) 5 mg	8 tabs	2 tabs every 6 hours PRN

In addition, the chart of short acting opioids below lists the number of allowable units to be within the 60 MED limit. Please note that FDA max recommended doses are noted and may fall below 60 MED. In addition, preexisting quantity limits may exist for some products that would be less than 60 MED and can be found on the Preferred Drug List (PDL) on www.CareSource.com. If a member requires greater than 60 MED after October 1, 2018, please submit a prior authorization for review.

Agent	Brand Name	Max Daily Tabs to be ≤ 60 MED
Acetaminophen-Caffeine-Dihydrocodeine 320.5-30-16 mg capsule	Trexix	10 capsules (Max APAP/day)
Acetaminophen-Codeine 120 mg-12mg/5 mL solution/suspension	Capital with Codeine	150 mL (FDA Max Recommended Dose)
Acetaminophen-Codeine 300-15mg tablet	Tylenol with Codeine #2	13 tabs (Max APAP/day)
Acetaminophen-Codeine 300-30mg tablet	Tylenol with Codeine #3	12 tablets (FDA Max Recommended Dose)
Acetaminophen-Codeine 300-60mg tablet	Tylenol with Codeine #4	6 tablets (FDA Max Recommended Dose)
Butalbital-Acetaminophen-Caffeine-Codeine 50-300-40-30 mg capsule	Fioricet with Codeine	6 capsules (FDA Max Recommended Dose)
Butalbital-Acetaminophen-Caffeine-Codeine 50-325-40-30 mg capsule	Fioricet with Codeine	6 capsules (FDA Max Recommended Dose)
Butalbital-Aspirin-Caffeine-Codeine 50-325-40-30 mg capsule	Fioricet with Codeine; Ascomp-Codeine	6 capsules (FDA Max Recommended Dose)
Codeine 30mg/5mL solution		60 mL (FDA Max Recommended Dose)
Codeine 15 mg tablet		24 tablets (FDA Max Recommended Dose)
Codeine 30 mg tablet		12 tablets (FDA Max Recommended Dose)
Codeine 60 mg tablet		6 tablets (FDA Max Recommended Dose)
Hydrocodone-APAP 10-300 mg/15 mL elixir	Lortab	90 mL
Hydrocodone-APAP 7.5-325 mg/15 mL solution	Hycet	120 mL
Hydrocodone-APAP 10-325 mg/15 mL solution	Zamicet	90 mL
Hydrocodone-APAP 5-300 mg tablet	Vicodin; Xodol	12 tablets
Hydrocodone-APAP 7.5-300 mg tablet	Vicodin ES; Xodol	8 tablets
Hydrocodone-APAP 10-300 mg tablet	Vicodin HP; Xodol	6 tablets
Hydrocodone-APAP 2.5-325 mg tablet	Verdrocet	12 tablets (Max APAP/day)
Hydrocodone-APAP 5-325 mg tablet	Lorcet; Norco	12 tablets
Hydrocodone-APAP 7.5-325 mg tablet	Lorcet Plus; Norco	8 tablets
Hydrocodone-APAP 10-325 mg tablet	Lorcet HD; Norco	6 tabs
Hydrocodone-ibuprofen 2.5-200mg	Reprexain	16 tablets (Max Ibuprofen/day)

Agent	Brand Name	Max Daily Tabs to be ≤ 60 MED
Hydrocodone-Ibuprofen 5-200 mg tablet	Ibudone; Reprexain	16 tablets (Max Ibuprofen/day)
Hydrocodone-Ibuprofen 7.5-200 mg tablet	Vicoprofen	8 tablets
Hydrocodone-Ibuprofen 10-200 mg tablet	Ibudone; Reprexain; Xylon	6 tablets
Hydromorphone 1 mg/mL liquid	Dilaudid	15 mL
Hydromorphone 2 mg tablet	Dilaudid	7 tablets
Hydromorphone 4 mg tablet	Dilaudid	3 tablets
Hydromorphone 8 mg tablet	Dilaudid	1 tab
Levorphanol 2 mg tablet		2 tablets
Meperidine-Promethazine 50-25 mg tablet	Demerol	6 tablets**
Meperidine 50 mg/5 mL solution	Demerol	60 mL [#]
Meperidine 50 mg tablet	Demerol	12 tablets [#]
Meperidine 100 mg tablet	Demerol	6 tablets [#]
Morphine 10 mg/5 mL solution		30 mL
Morphine 20 mg/5 mL solution		15 mL
Morphine 100 mg/5 mL solution		3 mL
Morphine 15 mg tablet		4 tablets
Morphine 30 mg tablet		2 tablets
Morphine sulfate rectal 5 mg suppository		12 suppositories
Morphine sulfate rectal 10 mg suppository		6 suppositories
Morphine sulfate rectal 20 mg suppository		3 suppositories
Morphine sulfate rectal 30 mg suppository		2 suppositories
Oxycodone 5 mg/5 mL solution		40 mL
Oxycodone 100 mg/5 mL concentrate		2 mL
Oxycodone 5 mg capsule abuse-deterrent	Oxaydo	8 caps
Oxycodone 7.5 mg tablet abuse-deterrent	Oxaydo	5 tablets
Oxycodone 5 mg capsule		8 caps
Oxycodone 5 mg tablet	Roxicodone	8 tablets
Oxycodone 10 mg tablet		4 tablets
Oxycodone 15 mg tablet	Roxicodone	2 tablets
Oxycodone 20 mg tablet		2 tablets
Oxycodone 30 mg tablet	Roxicodone	1 tab
Oxycodone-APAP 5-325 mg/5 mL solution		40 mL
Oxycodone-APAP 5-300 mg tablet	Primlev	8 tablets
Oxycodone-APAP 7.5-300 mg tablet	Primlev	5 tablets
Oxycodone-APAP 10-300 mg tablet	Primlev	4 tablets
Oxycodone-APAP 2.5-325 mg tablet	Percocet	12 tablets (Max APAP/day)
Oxycodone-APAP 5-325 mg tablet	Percocet	8 tablets
Oxycodone-APAP 7.5-325 mg tablet	Percocet	5 tablets
Oxycodone-APAP 10-325 mg tablet	Percocet	4 tablets
Oxycodone-Aspirin 4.8355-325 mg tablet	Endodan; Percodan	8 tablets
Oxycodone-Ibuprofen 5-400 mg tablet		4 tablets, no longer than 7 days
Oxymorphone 5 mg tablet	Opana	4 tablets
Oxymorphone 10 mg tablet	Opana	2 tablets
Pentazocine-Naloxone 50-0.5 mg		3 tablets
Tapentadol 50 mg tablet	Nucynta	3 tablets
Tapentadol 75 mg tablet	Nucynta	2 tablets
Tapentadol 100 mg tablet	Nucynta	1 tab
Tramadol 10mg/mL suspension		40 mL (FDA Max Recommended Dose)
Tramadol 50 mg tablet	Ultram	8 tablets (FDA Max Recommended Dose)
Tramadol-APAP 37.5-325 mg tablet	Ultracet	10 tablets (FDA Max Recommended Dose)

[#] The American Pain Society and ISMP do not recommend meperidine use as an analgesic.

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