

Network Notification

Notice Date: November 1, 2019

To: Ohio Medicaid Providers

From: CareSource

Subject: Ohio Medicaid's Unified Preferred Drug List (UPDL)

Effective Date: January 1, 2020

Summary

Beginning January 1, 2020, CareSource will adopt Ohio Medicaid's UPDL. This means that CareSource will prefer the same prescription medications as fee-for-service and other Medicaid managed care plans in the state of Ohio.

Impact

Providers will need to transition patients to medication(s) that are preferred on the UPDL starting in January 2020 or complete prior authorizations on non-preferred medication(s).

Prescriber's will be able to access the UPDL online at the Ohio Department of Medicaid's website https://pharmacy.medicaid.ohio.gov/ under "Drug Coverage" and also at CareSource.com under the provider link.

Importance

Utilizing one PDL across all Medicaid managed care plans should help providers cut down on administrative costs and streamline the prescribing and prior authorization process.

Questions?

Questions on the UPDL can be directed to MEDICAID_PHARMACY@medicaid.ohio.gov or you may also call CareSource's provider services line at **1-800-488-0134**.

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