

Advanced Health Provider:

The Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee has recommended the below changes to the Advanced Health Formulary. Updated 2018 formularies organized alphabetically and by therapeutic class are attached for your convenience. They are also available on our Advanced Health website at advancedhealth.com/providers/pharmacy-info/.

QVAR Redihaler® has been added to formulary to replace the previously available QVAR MDI. No prior authorization required.

Suprep® has been added to formulary. A prior authorization will no longer be required for coverage. Generic Go-Lytely is the least expensive bowel prep on formulary.

Admelog® (*insulin lispro*) has been added to formulary. Admelog® is the first short-acting 'follow-on' insulin product approved and is a 'follow-on' to Humalog®. We will be coordinating with providers to transition their patients currently using Humalog® to Admelog®. Insulin preparations NPH, R, 70/30 (NPH/R mix) continue to be on formulary with no prior authorization requirements.

Basaglar® (*insulin glargine*) is our preferred long acting insulin. Basaglar® is bioequivalent to Lantus® and showed similar efficacy to Lantus® in clinical trials. Basaglar® requires a prior authorization for coverage. For Type 2 diabetics, optimization of metformin, sulfonylureas, and NPH are recommended formulary least costly alternatives. Basaglar® will be covered for Type 1 diabetics.

Effective April 1, 2018 it is required that all providers prescribing, and pharmacies dispensing, medications for Advanced Health members are recognized in the State of Oregon's Medicaid System as a performing provider. Pharmacy claims for medications prescribed or dispensed by a non-participating provider/pharmacy will reject for payment at point of sale. This will primarily impact out of state pharmacies and providers. Pharmacies may contact the MedImpact Helpdesk at 800-788-2949 or the Advanced Health Pharmacy team at (541) 269-7400 for 5-day supply of hospital or ER discharge prescriptions.

Please contact Caryn Mickelson, PharmD if you have any questions regarding these formulary changes or if you are interested in participating in the Advanced Health Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee.

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to serving the medical needs of our community!

Sincerely,

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