

United Healthcare Prescription Drug List Changes

McGohan Brabender would like to inform you of the following United Healthcare PDL changes that went into effect May 1. Your employees may have received notification of these changes directly from United Healthcare prior to May 1.

On **May 1, 2008**, several medications changed tiers on UnitedHealth Pharmaceutical SolutionsSM (UHPS) Advantage and Traditional Prescription Drug Lists (PDLs). Three times a year, up-tiering changes are made to UHC's Advantage PDL. On January 1 each year, they synchronize the Traditional PDL with the Advantage PDL up-tiering changes that were made throughout the prior year. Down-tiering and benefit plan changes occur throughout the year on both PDLs.

Down-Tierings - Advantage and Traditional PDLs

On the Advantage and Traditional PDLs, two medications were down-tiered from Tier 3 to Tier 2, making these medications **more affordable** for members. These changes took effect in late January 2008 so that members and customers could take advantage of savings as soon as possible.

- Pylera (ulcers)
- Vyvanse (ADHD)

Up-Tierings Effective May 1, 2008* - Advantage PDL only

Six medications have moved from Tier 2 to Tier 3. United Healthcare's PDL Management Committee concluded these medications offered lower overall health care value resulting in a higher tier placement.

- Bactroban Cream (antibiotic)
- Fexofenadine (allergies)
- Fosamax-D (osteoporosis)
- Premarin* (hormone replacement)
- Premphase* (hormone replacement)
- Prempro* (hormone replacement)

Benefit Exclusions - Advantage PDL and Traditional PDLs

Three medications have been excluded from benefit coverage where applicable. These medications have little or no utilization and have several over-the-counter (OTC) alternatives.

- Allegra Oral Dissolving Tablet (allergies)

- Allegra Suspension (allergies)
- Triaz (acne)

In addition, there were quantity level limits (QLL), quantity duration (QD) and notification programs put in place for many medications effective May 1, 2008. Please ssk your UnitedHealthcare representative for a list of affected medications.

If you have any questions, please contact your McGohan Brabender Account Representative at (800) 293-2347.

*Premarin, Premphase and Prempro will have a delayed implementation date of July 1, 2008 to accommodate additional member and physician communications and allow extra time for members to discuss their alternatives with their physicians.

Please Note: Not all PDL changes apply to all groups depending on state regulations and Riders.