



STANDARD Stepped Therapy Agents ~ 2012

The following drugs will require prior authorization if the condition is not met when the pharmacist would attempt to transmit a prescription claim. Your doctor will coordinate this approval for you. If the prescription is approved, Coventry Health Care will cover the cost. You will be responsible for the copayment. If the request is not approved, it does not mean your doctor cannot prescribe the medicine for you. It means that you are responsible for paying the prescription in full. Self-administered injectable agents also require prior authorization and can be found on a separate list.

Drug	Condition
<i>Abilify (aripiprazole)</i>	Trial & failure of Risperdal* or Seroquel
Actos (pioglitazone)	Trial & failure of metformin/ER (at least 1500mg/d)
ActoPLUS Met (pioglitazone / metformin)	Trial & failure of metformin/ER (at least 1500mg/d)
ActoPLUS Met XR (pioglitazone / metformin ext rel)	Trial & failure of metformin/ER (at least 1500mg/d)
<i>Ambien CR (zolpidem extended release)</i>	Trial & failure of Ambien* or Sonata*, AND Lunesta
<i>Amitiza (lubiprostone)</i>	Trial & failure of Lactulose* or Miralax*
<i>Aricept 23mg (donepezil)</i>	Trial of Aricept 10mg QD for at least 3 months
<i>Atralin gel (tretinoin)</i>	Trial & failure of Retin-A Micro
<i>Avita gel (tretinoin)</i>	Trial & failure of Retin-A Micro
<i>Avodart (dutasteride)</i>	Trial & failure of Proscar*
<i>Beconase AQ (beclomethasone)</i>	Trial & failure of Flonase* or Nasalide*, AND Nasonex
<i>Celebrex (celecoxib)</i>	Trial & failure of 2 NSAIDs
<i>Clarinet (desloratadine)</i>	Trial & failure of 2: Claritin OTC*, Zyrtec OTC*, Allegra OTC
<i>Coreg CR (carvedilol extended rel)</i>	Trial of Coreg*
Crestor (rosuvastatin) 5mg only	Trial & failure of Mevacor*, Pravachol* or Zocor*
<i>Detrol / Detrol LA (tolterodine / extended release)</i>	Trial & failure of Ditropan* or Sanctura/Sanctura XL
<i>Differin gel (adapalene) 0.3%</i>	Trial & failure of Retin-A Micro
<i>Differin lotion (adapalene) 0.1%</i>	Trial & failure of Retin-A Micro
Duetact (pioglitazone / glimepiride)	Trial & failure of metformin/ER (at least 1500mg/d)
Effexor XR* capsules (venlafaxine extended rel)	Trial & failure of an SSRI
<i>Enablex (darifenacin)</i>	Trial & failure of Ditropan* or Sanctura/Sanctura XL
<i>Epiduo gel (adapalene/benzoyl peroxide)</i>	Trial & failure of Retin-A Micro
<i>Fanapt (iloperdone)</i>	Trial & failure of Risperdal* or Seroquel
<i>Fortamet (metformin ER)</i>	Trial & failure of metformin/ER (at least 1500mg/d)
<i>Gelnique (oxybutynin topical gel)</i>	Trial & failure of Ditropan* or Sanctura/Sanctura XL
<i>Geodon (ziprasidone)</i>	Trial & failure of Risperdal* or Seroquel
<i>Glumetza (metformin ER)</i>	Trial & failure of metformin/ER (at least 1500mg/d)
<i>Gralise (gabapentin ER)</i>	Trial & failure of Neurontin* and Lidoderm
<i>Horizant (gabapentin enacarbil)</i>	Trial & failure of Requip*
<i>Intuniv (guanfacine ER)</i>	Trial & failure of a stimulant
<i>Invega (paliperidone)</i>	Trial & failure of Risperdal* or Seroquel
<i>Jalyn (dutasteride/tamsulosin)</i>	Trial & failure of Proscar*
<i>Janumet (sitagliptin / metformin)</i>	Trial & failure of metformin/ER (at least 1500mg/d)
<i>Januvia (sitagliptin)</i>	Trial & failure of metformin/ER (at least 1500mg/d)
<i>Kapvay (clonidine ER)</i>	Trial & failure of a stimulant
<i>Kombiglyze (saxagliptin / metformin)</i>	Trial & failure of metformin/ER (at least 1500mg/d)

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<i>Lantus (insulin glargine) vial</i>	Trial & failure of Levemir vial or pen
<i>Lantus (insulin glargine) pen</i>	Trial & failure of Levemir pen
<i>Latuda (lurasidone)</i>	Trial & failure of Risperdal* or Seroquel
<i>Lescol / Lescol XL (fluvastatin)</i>	Trial & failure of Mevacor*, Pravachol* or Zocor*, AND Crestor
<i>Lexapro (escitalopram)</i>	Trial & failure of a generic SSRI
<i>Lialda (mesalamine)</i>	Trial & failure of Apriso, Asacol or Asacol HD
<i>Livalo (pitavastatin)</i>	Trial & failure of Mevacor*, Pravachol* or Zocor*, AND Crestor
<i>Lunesta (eszopiclone)</i>	Trial & failure of Ambien* or Sonata*
<i>Luvox CR (fluvoxamine extended release)</i>	Trial & failure of an SSRI
<i>Metrogel 1% (metronidazole)</i>	Trial & failure of Metrogel 0.75%*
<i>Mirapex ER (pramipexole ext rel)</i>	Trial of Mirapex*
<i>Nasacort AQ (triamcinolone)</i>	Trial & failure of Flonase* or Nasalide*, AND Nasonex
<i>Oleptro (trazodone ext rel)</i>	Trial of trazodone
<i>Omnaris (ciclesonide)</i>	Trial & failure of Flonase* or Nasalide*, AND Nasonex
<i>Onglyza (saxagliptin)</i>	Trial & failure of metformin/ER (at least 1500mg/d)
<i>Oxytrol (oxybutynin transdermal)</i>	Trial & failure of Ditropan* or Sanctura/Sanctura XL
<i>Paxil CR* (paroxetine extended release)</i>	Trial of Paxil*
<i>Requip XL (ropinirole)</i>	Trial of Requip*
<i>Rhinocort Aqua (budesonide)</i>	Trial & failure of Flonase* or Nasalide*, AND Nasonex
<i>Rozerem (ramelteon)</i>	Trial & failure of Ambien* or Sonata*, AND Lunesta
<i>Saphris (asenapine)</i>	Trial & failure of Risperdal* or Seroquel
<i>Sprix (ketorolac nasal spray)</i>	Trial & failure of oral Toradol* AND one additional NSAID
<i>Strattera (atomoxetine)</i>	Trial & failure of a stimulant
<i>Symbyax (olanzapine / fluoxetine)</i>	Trial & failure of Risperdal* or Seroquel
<i>Tazorac gel, cream (tazarotene)</i>	Trial & failure of Retin-A Micro
<i>Toviaz (fesoterodine)</i>	Trial & failure of Ditropan* or Sanctura/Sanctura XL
<i>Tradjenta (linagliptin)</i>	Trial & failure of metformin/ER (at least 1500mg/d), AND Actos or Duetact, AND Januvia/Janumet or Onglyza/Kombiglyze
<i>Tretin-X 0.0375% cream (Combo pack not covered)</i>	Trial & failure of Retin-A Micro
<i>Uloric (febuxostat)</i>	Trial & failure of allopurinol
<i>Ultram ER (tramadol extended release)</i>	Trial of Ultram*
<i>Veltin gel (tretinoin/clindamycin)</i>	Trial & failure of Retin-A Micro
<i>Venlafaxine ER tablets</i>	Trial & failure of an SSRI
<i>Veramyst (fluticasone furoate)</i>	Trial & failure of Flonase* or Nasalide*, AND Nasonex
<i>Vesicare (solifenacin)</i>	Trial & failure of Ditropan* or Sanctura/Sanctura XL
<i>Vytorin (simvastatin/ezetimibe) 10/10, 10/20, 10/40</i>	Trial & failure of Mevacor*, Pravachol* or Zocor*, AND Crestor
<i>Vyvanse # (lisdexamfetamine)</i>	Trial & failure of Adderall XR
<i>Xyzal (levocetirizine)</i>	Trial & failure of 2: Claritin OTC*, Zyrtec OTC*, Allegra OTC
<i>Zelapar ODT (selegeline)</i>	Trial of Eldepryl*
<i>Ziana gel (tretinoin/clindamycin)</i>	Trial & failure of Retin-A Micro
<i>Zyprexa (olanzapine)</i>	Trial & failure of Risperdal* or Seroquel

* indicates generic available

Italics indicate non-formulary agents

indicates Step Therapy required for age 18yr and under

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