

**LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HOSPITALS  
Medicaid Pharmaceutical and Therapeutics Committee Meeting**

628 North Fourth Street  
Baton Rouge, LA  
Bienville Building  
Room #118  
May 2, 2012

**MINUTES**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Julio Figueroa, MD  
John E. Firestone, Jr., MD  
Conchetta Fulton, PharmD  
Mary Gauthier-Lewis,  
PharmD  
Amy Givler, MD  
Larry J. Hebert, MD  
James E. Hussey, MD  
Edward C. Mader, Jr, MD  
Marty R. McKay, RPh  
Melvin Murrill, MD  
Julie Wilkinson, PharmD  
Rodney Wise, MD  
Pamela Wiseman, MD  
Neil Wolfson, MD  
Lolie C. Yu, MD

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Paul Miller, MD  
Senator Fred Mills  
James Patterson, MD  
Rep. Rogers Pope  
Mohammad Suleman, MD  
Leonard Weather, Jr, MD

**DHH PHARMACY  
PROGRAM STAFF**

**PRESENT:**

Rachel Broussard, RPh  
Germaine Becks-Moody,  
PhD, BHSF  
Program Manager  
Timothy Williams, BHSF  
Program Manager  
Carol Rumfola,  
Administrative  
Assistant

**OTHER DHH STAFF  
PRESENT:**

Rebecca DeLaSalle,  
Attorney  
Stephen Russo, Attorney

**CONTRACTORS**

**PRESENT:**

Chris Andrews, PharmD,  
Provider Synergies  
Melissa Dear, PharmD,  
Northeast La  
University School of  
Pharmacy  
Jennifer Pickett, Certified  
Court Reporter

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Presenters are listed in the minutes, and sign in sheets of others in attendance are available from DHH, Bureau of Health Services Financing, Pharmacy Benefits Section upon request.

**Call to Order:**

Marty R. McKay, Vice - Chairman, called the meeting to order at 9:21 a.m.

**Parliamentary Business:**

- A. **Introduction of Members and DHH Staff and Roll Call.** Committee members and DHH staff introduced themselves. Mr. McKay announced that M. J. Terrebonne, Pharmacy Director, retired from DHH after serving over 30 plus years. She will be sorely missed and at this time has not been replaced. Mr. McKay also announced that Dr. Hebert asked to not be reappointed to the committee. After this a roll call vote was made to account for a quorum.

- B. Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman.** Dr. Wilkinson nominated Marty McKay for Chairman. Dr. Murrill seconded the motion which passed. The committee voted and unanimously voted "yea" for Mr. McKay. Mr. McKay is the new P & T Committee Chairman. Dr. Murrill nominated Lolie Yu for Vice-Chairman. Dr. Wolfson second the motion. Dr. Wiseman nominated Dr. Givler for Vice-Chairman. She did not accept. The committee voted and unanimously voted "yea" for Dr. Yu. Dr. Yu is the new P & T Committee Vice - Chairman.
- C. Approval of Minutes.** Dr. Figueroa offered a motion to approve the minutes of the November 2, 2011 meeting as submitted. Dr. Wolfson seconded the motion which passed.
- D. Bylaws Subcommittee Report.** Mr. McKay, Chairman of the Bylaws Sub - Committee provided a report of the sub - committee. He indicated that committee has not yet met. The original plan was to conduct the meeting over the telephone but the sub - committee later found out that was not possible. So the sub - committee will meet this summer in Baton Rouge. We will pick a date and it will be an open meeting, posting two weeks prior to the time on the web so everybody will know... There are several other just minor changes and we will go through those and make those changes in the bylaws.

**Reports:**

- A. Prior Authorization (PA) Monthly Report.** Ms. Rachel Broussard called the Committee members' attention to the PA Report included in their packets. She said it's listed July 2010 through December of 2011. (*Attachment 1*)
- B. PDL Reflecting November 2, 2011 P & T Committee Recommendations.** Ms. Broussard reported copies of the latest version of the PDL, which included the Pharmaceutical and Therapeutics (P&T) Committee's November 2, 2011 meeting recommendations were in the members' packets. These recommendations became effective January 1, 2011. (*Attachment 2*)
- C. Provider Synergies Louisiana Medicaid PDL Program Overview & Program Results 2011 Annual Report.** Ms. Broussard reminded the members that included in their previously sent packets were the 2011 Provider Synergies' reports "Louisiana Medicaid PDL Program Overview and Results."

**Old Business:**

- A. Cymbalta.** Dr. Givler offered a motion to add Cymbalta to the old business as a discussion topic. And - and then talk after? The motion was seconded by Dr. Wolfson.

Mr. McKay reminded the committee that at the last meeting, we agreed to bring this up at this meeting and vote. And so that's the reason we're going to accept Cymbalta. Just as a reminder, when the Committee members add an agenda item, we need 100% of those present voting to add. So everybody has to agree to add an agenda item. So we're going to go around and do a roll call on this one. We need everybody voting yes or no. There was a roll call vote to add Cymbalta to the agenda as Old Business. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Givler followed with discussion:

We talked last time – this is under Anti-Depressants, Other. And I don't have the numbers in front of me any longer, just the minutes from last meeting. But Cymbalta does have a large utilization. And maybe Chris, you're a little unprepared because you didn't know this was going to be an agenda item. And the problem was that the company didn't provide the bid in a timely manner. That was the discussion topic. But the fact that there was so many prescriptions for it and it is a unique drug with great benefits, especially for fibromyalgia, in addition to anti- depression, but we don't have a fibromyalgia category so that's where it fits. And obviously practitioners are voting with their time by calling in for a PA. And what came up last time from Provider Synergies was that the bid was competitive and it would actually save the state money. And that's money that is offered by Lilly. If it's (rebate) on the PA, it's going unused.

Mr. McKay requested Chris to to give a little background information. Chris provided the following:

Now, regarding the offer, we did receive an offer from Eli Lilly for Cymbalta. Regarding the lateness of the offer, I don't recall exactly what the issues were surrounding that, but there is a offer that's under contract through the end of this year. Of course, the product would be re-reviewed in the fall. Now, the overall TOPS recommendation at the time for Cymbalta was that it be non- preferred across all TOPS states. That said, in Louisiana, as you mentioned, there is a high market share in the state if they took advantage of this offer would benefit a little bit over \$100,000 per quarter by listing Cymbalta as preferred. And I would not suspect a large increase in market share. So, I mean, it depends on what product you are comparing Cymbalta to in order to determine if it's competitive or not, but with all the other factors taken into play, then there is a financial advantage to Louisiana should you take advantage of this.

Dr. Wolfson offered a motion to add Cymbalta to the PDL. The motion was seconded by Dr. Murrill. After no further P & T Committee discussion and no pharmaceutical manufacturers' requests to make presentations, the motion to add Cymbalta to the PDL passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

- B. Oncology Agents, Oral.** Dr. Chris Andrews reported that in the fall, the oral oncology agents class was reviewed by Louisiana. The P&T Committee's recommendations were considered by the Secretary. The Secretary elected to defer implementation of the class and requested that Provider Synergies report on other states that did review this class. Other top states reviewing this class were - - Connecticut. The P&T Committee considered the recommendations and made the recommendations of their own. The Commissioner at Connecticut also deferred implementation of this class. So, currently, none of the top states have it implemented. As far as other states that Magellan works with, one state Kentucky, has implemented this class. Committee discussion followed. The committee decided to wait and review this class in the fall.

**New Business:**

- A. Public Testimony.** In accordance with state law and the P&T Committee's Bylaws, the following provided public testimony or answered questions raised by the Committee during the Committee's review of the therapeutic classes.

<b>PRESENTER</b>	<b>REPRESENTING</b>	<b>DRUG/ISSUE</b>
Paul Setlak	Abbott	Androgel
Julia Compton, Pharm D	Novartis	Aliskiron Agents
Jaimie Jolly	Daiichi Sankyo	Benicar
Brian Macomson, Pharm D	JNJ	Xarelto
Mike Donze	Boehringer Ingelheim	Pradaxa
Dr. Fran Kaiser	Merck	Emend
Dr. Fran Kaiser	Merck	Maxalt
Ann Wicker	Pfizer	Relpax
Steve White	TARD	Ovide
Kathy Geist	Valeant Dermatology	Zovirax
Dr. Garland Green	Self	Bystolic
William Rowe	Forest	Bystolic
Sri Ganeshad	Astellia Pharma	Vesicare
Ann Wicker	Pfizer	Toviaz
James Osborne	GlaxoSmithKline	Avodant/Jalyn
Brad Clay	Amgen	Aranesp
Tiffany Gall	Novo Nordisk	Norditropin
Erika Szabo	Lilly	Humatrope
Brett Pharis	Genentech	Nutropin
Ann Wicker	Pfizer	Genotropin
Lisa Borland	Vertex Pharmaceuticals	Incivek
Dr. Muhumuza	Hep Provider	Incivek
Dr. Fran Kaiser	Merck	Victrelis
Dr. Fran Kaiser	Merck	Peg Intron
Derezk Terry	Genentech	Pegasys
Nancy Keller	Bristol-Myers-Squibb	Onglyza/Kombiglyze XR
Mike Dunze	Boehringer Ingelheim	Tradjenta/Jentadueto
Mike Ketcher	Novo Nordisk	Victoza
Dr. Fran Kaiser	Merck	Januvia/Janumet/ Janumet XR
Dr. Fran Kaiser	Merck	Juvisync
Erika Szabo	Lilly	Lilly's Insouns
Mike Ketcher	Novo Nordisk	Insulin
Kris Washington	Sanofi	Insulin
Dr. Fran Kaiser	Merck	Zetia
Paul Setlak	Abbott	Tricor
Paul Setlak	Abbott	Trilipax
Paul Setlak	Abbott	Niaspan
Jamie Jolly	Daiichi Sankyo	Welchol
Dr. Fran Kaiser	Merck	Nytorin
Paul Setlak	Abbott	Simcor
Kristen Dulitz	Astra Zeneca	Crestor
Jervica Carter	Biogen Idec	Avonex
Brian Hutcnison	Acorda	Ampyrax
Julia Compton, Pharm D	Novartis	Gilenya
Tom Brock	United Therapeutics	Tyvaso
Tom Brock	United Therapeutics	Adcira
Akshaya Palel	Gilead Sciences	Letairis
Susan Raspa	Actelian Pharmaceuticals	Tracler/Ventaris

Paul Setlak	Abbott	Creon
Jamie Heise	Shire	Fosrenol
Chris Marrone	Lilly	Effient
Kristen Dulitz	Astra Zeneca	Brilinta
Christy Copeland	Shire	Lialda
Matt Fairchild	Pfizer Oncology	Inlyta

*(Transcripts of testimonies are available from DHH, Bureau of Health Services Financing, Pharmacy Benefits Section, upon request.)*

- D. Therapeutic Classes Reviews.** Forty - four (44) therapeutic classes in *Group One* of the *Eleventh Review Cycle* were reviewed. Mr. McKay explained the Committee's review procedures. Monograph summaries were sent to the Committee prior to the meeting. Public comment was received for each therapeutic class prior to Committee discussion and action in accordance with state law and the P&T Committee's Bylaws. Committee proceedings follow:

#### **Class Review**

##### **Number**

##### **11-1;1. Analgesics, Narcotics Long Acting**

Dr. Wolfson offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Gauthier-Lewis. After discussion and no pharmaceutical manufacturers' requests to make presentations, the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

##### *Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Fentanyl Transdermal (Generic)  
Methadone HCL  
Morphine Sulfate ER (Generic)  
Morphine Sulfate (Kadian)

##### *Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Buprenorphine Transdermal (Butrans)  
Fentanyl Transdermal (Duragesic Matrix)  
Hydromorphone ER (Exalgo)  
Morphine Sulfate ER (Avinza)  
Morphine Sulfate ER (Kadian ER)  
Morphine Sulfate ER (MS Contin)  
Oxycodone (OxyContin)  
Oxymorphone ER  
Oxymorphone ER (Opana ER)  
Tramadol ER  
Tramadol ER (Conzip)  
Tramadol ER (Ryzolt)  
Tramadol ER (Ultram ER)  
Tapentadol Extended Release (Nucynta ER)

##### **11-1;2. Analgesics, Narcotics Short Acting**

Dr. Figueroa offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Givler. Discussion followed.

Dr. Wolfson introduced a substitute motion to accept the list with the exception of meperidine. The motion was seconded by Dr. Givler. All members responded yea, except for Dr. Wise.

The Committee, in a roll call vote, then passed the original motion as amended to exclude meperidine. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Acetaminophen w/Codeine (Generic)  
Butalbital Compound with Codeine  
Butorphanol Tartrate  
Codeine  
Dihydrocodeine bitartrate/Acetaminophen/Caffeine (Generic)  
Hydrocodone/Acetaminophen (Generic)  
Hydrocodone/Ibuprofen (Generic)  
Hydromorphone  
Morphine IR  
Oxycodone  
Oxycodone (Roxicodone)  
Oxycodone/Acetaminophen  
Oxycodone/Acetaminophen (Roxicet)  
Oxycodone w/Aspirin  
Oxycodone/Ibuprofen  
Pentazocine/Acetaminophen  
Pentazocine/Naloxone  
Tramadol (Generic)  
Tramadol/Acetaminophen (Generic)

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Carisoprodol Compound-Codeine  
Capital w/Codeine  
Codeine/Acetaminophen (Cocet, Cocet Plus)  
Codeine/Acetaminophen (Tylenol #3, Tylenol #4)  
Dihydrocodeine bitartrate/Aspirin/Caffeine (Synalgos DC)  
Dihydrocodeine bitartrate/Acetaminophen/Caffeine (Trezix)  
Fentanyl Buccal (Generic)  
Fentanyl Buccal (Actiq)  
Fentanyl Buccal (Fentora)  
Fentanyl Buccal (Onsolis)  
Fentanyl Sublingual (Abstral)  
Hydrocodone/Acetaminophen (Hycet)  
Hydrocodone/Acetaminophen (Xodol)  
Hydrocodone/Acetaminophen (Lorcet)  
Hydrocodone/Acetaminophen (Lortab)  
Hydrocodone/Acetaminophen (Norco)  
Hydrocodone/Acetaminophen (Vicodin)  
Hydrocodone/Acetaminophen (Zamicet)  
Hydrocodone/Acetaminophen (Zolvit)  
Hydrocodone/Acetaminophen (Zydone)  
Hydrocodone/Ibuprofen (Ibudone)  
Hydrocodone/Ibuprofen (Reprexain)  
Hydrocodone/Ibuprofen (Vicoprofen)  
Hydromorphone (Dilaudid)  
Hydromorphone Suppositories

Levorphanol  
Meperidine  
Meperidine (Demerol)  
Morphine Concentrate Solution  
Morphine Suppositories  
Opium Tincture  
Oxycodone/Acetaminophen (Magnacet)  
Oxycodone/Acetaminophen (Percocet)  
Oxycodone/Acetaminophen (Primalev)  
Oxycodone/Acetaminophen (Xolox)  
Oxycodone/Aspirin (Percodan)  
Oxycodone (Oxecta)  
Oxycodone Concentrate  
Oxymorphone  
Oxymorphone (Numorphan)  
Oxymorphone IR (Opana)  
Tapentadol (Nucynta)  
Tramadol ODT (Rybix ODT)  
Tramadol (Ultram) – Brand Only  
Tramadol / Acetaminophen (Ultracet) – Brand Only

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**11-1;3. Androgenic Agents**

Dr. Wolfson offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Fulton. A pharmaceutical manufacturer, Mr. Setlak, was on the list to speak from Abbott. He yielded his time back to the committee. There was no discussion from the committee and the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Testosterone Transdermal Patch (Androderm)  
Testosterone Gel 1% (Androgel)  
Testosterone Gel 1% (Testim)

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Testosterone Gel (Fortesta)  
Testosterone (Axiron)

**11-1;4. Angiotensin Modulator Combinations**

Dr. Wolfson offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Gauthier-Lewis. Discussion followed.

Dr. Givler, then offered a motion, seconded by Dr. Wolfson to amend Provider Synergies recommendations and add Lotrel to the PDL. Discussion followed. Dr. Givler then withdrew her motion.

Following a presentation by a pharmaceutical manufacturer, Julia Compton of Novartis, on Valturna, the Committee then voted on the original motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Amlodipine/Benazepril (Generic only)  
Amlodipine/Olmesartan (Azor)  
Amlodipine/Olmesartan/HCTZ (Tribenzor)  
Amlodipine/Valsartan (Exforge)  
Amlodipine/Valsartan/HCTZ (Exforge HCT)  
Valsartan/Aliskiren (Valturna)

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Amlodipine/Aliskiren (Tekamlo)  
Amlodipine/Aliskiren/HCTZ (Amturnide)  
Amlodipine/Benazepril (Lotrel)  
Amlodipine/Telmisartam (Twnysta)  
Trandolapril/ Verapamil (Generic)  
Trandolapril/ Verapamil (Tarka)

**11-1;5. Angiotensin Modulators: ACE Inhibitors & Direct Renin Inhibitors**

Dr. Wolfson offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Gauthier-Lewis. Committee discussion and pharmaceutical manufacturer's presentation followed. Julia Compton provided information on recent label changes within the last two weeks around some of the agents Novartis produces (Tekturna, Valturna, etc.) Jamie Jolly, Daiichi Sankyo, spoke on behalf of Benicar and Benicar HTC. After discussion the motion passed with a roll call vote of twelve yeas and one nay by Dr. Wilkinson.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Benazepril (Generic Only)  
Benazepril/HCTZ  
Captopril  
Captopril/HCTZ  
Enalapril (Generic)  
Enalapril/HCTZ (Generic)  
Fosinopril  
Lisinopril (Generic Only)  
Lisinopril/HCTZ (Generic Only)  
Losartan (Generic)  
Losartan/HCTZ (Generic)  
Quinapril (Generic)  
Quinapril/HCTZ (Generic)  
Ramipril (Generic Only)  
Trandolapril  
Valsartan (Diovan)  
Valsartan/HCTZ (Diovan HCT)

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Aliskiren (Tekturna)  
Aliskiren/HCTZ (Tekturna HCT)  
Azilsartan Medoxomil (Edarbi)  
Azilsartan/Chlorthalidone (Edarbyclor)  
Azilsartan/Chlorthalidone (Prinzide)



Benazepril (Lotensin) – Brand Only  
Candesartan (Atacand)  
Candesartan/HCTZ (Atacand HCT)  
Enalapril (Vasotec) – Brand Only  
Enalapril/HCTZ (Vaseretic) – Brand Only  
Eprosartan (Teveten)  
Eprosartan/HCTZ (Teveten HCT)  
Fosinopril/HCTZ  
Irbesartan (Avapro)  
Irbesartan/HCTZ (Avalide)  
Lisinopril (Zestril) – Brand Only  
Lisinopril/HCTZ (Zestoretic) – Brand Only  
Losartan (Cozaar) – Brand Only  
Losartan/HCTZ (Hyzaar) – Brand Only  
Moexipril  
Moexipril/HCTZ  
Olmesartan (Benicar)  
Olmesartan/HCTZ (Benicar HCT)  
Perindopril  
Quinapril (Accupril) – Brand Only  
Quinapril (Accuretic) – Brand Only  
Ramipril (Altace) – Brand Only  
Telmisartan (Micardis)  
Telmisartan/HCTZ (Micardis HCT)

**11-1;6. Antibiotics, Gastrointestinal**

Dr. Murrill offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Fulton. After discussion and no pharmaceutical manufacturers' requests to make presentations, the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Metronidazole Tablet (Generic)  
Neomycin (Generic)  
Nitazoxanide (Alinia)

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Fidaxomicin (Dificid Tablet)  
Metronidazole Capsule  
Metronidazole Tablet (Flagyl Tablet) – Brand Only  
Metronidazole ER (Flagyl ER)  
Neomycin (Neo-Fradin)  
Rifaximin (Xifaxan)  
Tinidazole (Tindamax)  
Vancomycin (Vancocin)

**11-1;7. Antibiotics, Inhaled**

Dr. Gauthier-Lewis offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Wilkinson. After

discussion and no pharmaceutical manufacturers' requests to make presentations, the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*  
Tobramycin (Tobi)

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*  
Azteonam (Causton)

**11-1;8. Antibiotics, Topical**

Dr. Givler offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Wolfson. After discussion and no pharmaceutical manufacturers' requests to make presentations, the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*  
Gentamicin Sulfate  
Mupirocin Ointment (Generic)

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*  
Mupirocin (Bactroban Ointment, Cream) – Brand Only  
Mupirocin Ointment (Centany)  
Mupirocin Ointment (Centany Kit)  
Neomycin/Polymyxin/Pramoxine  
Retapamulin Ointment (Altabax)

**11-1;9. Antibiotics, Vaginal**

Dr. Firestone offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Wolfson. After discussion and no pharmaceutical manufacturers' requests to make presentations, the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*  
Clindamycin Vaginal Cream  
Clindamycin Vaginal Ovules (Cleocin)  
Metronidazole Vaginal Gel  
Metronidazole Vaginal Gel (Metrogel-Vaginal)  
Metronidazole Vaginal Gel (Vandazole)

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*  
Clindamycin Vaginal Cream (Cleocin)  
Clindamycin Vaginal Cream (Clindesse)

**11-1;10. Anticoagulants**

Dr. Givler offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Fulton. Committee discussion and pharmaceutical manufacturer's presentation followed. Brian Macomson did not have a presentation but was there for questions. Mike Donze, Pharmacist with Boehringer Ingelheim provided information on Pradaxa.

After the presentation Dr. Mader offered a motion to add Pradaxa to the PDL. Dr Wiseman seconded the motion. After discussion the motion passed with a roll call vote of twelve yeas and one nay by Dr. Yu.

The Committee then voted on the class as recommended by Provider Synergies, with the addition of Pradaxa. Dr. Wolfson called for the question. There was no additional discussion and the motion passed with a roll call vote of twelve yeas and one nay by Dr. Yu.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Dabigatran(Pradaxa)  
Dalteparin (Fragmin)  
Enoxaparin (Lovenox) – Brand Only  
Rivaroxaban (Xarelto)  
Warfarin (Generic)

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Enoxaparin (Generic)  
Fondaparinux  
Fondaparinux (Arixtra)  
Warfarin (Coumadin) – Brand Only

**11-1;11.Antiemetic/Antivertigo Agents**

Dr. Yu offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Gauthier-Lewis. Committee discussion followed. One pharmaceutical manufacturer was signed up to speak. Dr. Fran Kaiser, Merck yielded her time back to the Committee. After discussion the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Aprepitant Oral (Emend)  
Meclizine  
Metoclopramide Inj  
Metoclopramide Oral (Generics)  
Ondansetron IV Inj (Generics)  
Ondansetron Oral ODT (Generics)  
Ondansetron Oral Tab (Generics)  
Prochlorperazine Inj  
Prochlorperazine Oral  
Prochlorperazine Rectal  
Promethazine Inj  
Promethazine Oral  
Promethazine Rectal  
Scopolamine Transdermal (Transderm-Scop)  
Trimethobenzamide IM Inj  
Trimethobenzamide Oral

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Dimenhydrinate Inj

Dolasetron IV Inj (Anzemet)  
Dolasetron Oral (Anzemet)  
Dronabinol Oral (Generic)  
Dronabinol Oral (Marinol)  
Fosaprepitant IV Inj (Emend)  
Granisetron IV Inj  
Granisteron Oral  
Granisetron (Granisol Solution)  
Granisetron Transdermal (Sancuso)  
Metoclopramide (Reglan) – Brand Only  
Metoclopramide Ampule  
Metoclopramide Oral ODT (Metozolv)  
Nabilone Oral (Cesamet)  
Ondansetron (Zofran) – Brand Only  
Ondansetron (Zofran IV) – Brand Only  
Ondansetron (Zofran ODT) – Brand Only  
Ondansetron Ampule  
Ondansetron Oral Solution  
Ondansetron Oral (Zuplenz)  
Palonosetron IV Inj(Aloxi)  
Prochlorperazine Rectal (Compro)  
Promethazine Rectal (50 mg)  
Trimethobenzamide (Tigan)

**11-1;12.Antifungals, Oral**

Dr. Firestone offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Fulton. After no pharmaceutical manufacturers' requests to make presentations, the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Clotrimazole Troches  
Fluconazole  
Griseofulvin Suspension  
Griseofulvin (Gris-PEG)  
Ketoconazole  
Nystatin  
Terbinafine (no granules)

*Committee Recommendations for the NPD L are:*

Fluconazole (Diflucan Tablet)  
Flucytosine (Ancobon)  
Griseofulvin (Grifulvin V Tablets)  
Itraconazole  
Itraconazole Solution (Sporanox)  
Nystatin Powder (Oral)  
Posaconazole (Noxafil)  
Terbinafine (Terbinex)  
Terbinafine Granules (Lamisil Granules)  
Voriconazole (Generic)

Voriconazole (Vfend)

**11-1;13.Antifungals, Topical**

Dr. Wilkinson offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Gauthier-Lewis. After no pharmaceutical manufacturers' requests to make presentations, the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Clotrimazole Rx  
Clotrimazole/Betamethasone Cream  
Econazole  
Ketoconazole Cream  
Ketoconazole Shampoo (Rx only)  
Nystatin Cream  
Nystatin Ointment  
Nystatin Powder  
Nystatin/Triamcinolone  
Nystatin/Triamcinolone Cream  
Nystatin/Triamcinolone Ointment

*Committee Recommendations for the NPD L are:*

Butenafine (Mentax)  
Ciclopirox (CNL-8)  
Ciclopirox (Pedipirox-4)  
Ciclopirox Cream  
Ciclopirox Gel  
Ciclopirox Shampoo  
Ciclopirox Solution  
Ciclopirox Solution (Pedipirox-4)  
Ciclopirox Solution (Penlac)  
Ciclopirox Suspension  
Clotrimazole/Betamethasone Lotion  
Clotrimazole / Betamethasone (Lotrisone)  
Ketoconazole (Ketocon Plus)  
Ketoconazole Foam  
Ketoconazole Foam (Extina)  
Ketoconazole (Extina; Xolegel)  
Ketoconazole (Nizoral Shampoo)  
Miconazole (Nuzole)  
Miconazole/zinc oxide/white petrolatum (Vusion)  
Naftifine (Naftin)  
Nystatin (Pediaderm AF)  
Oxiconazole (Oxistat)  
Sertaconazole (Ertaczo)  
Sulconazole (Exelderm)  
Terbinafine (Lamisil)

**11-1;14.Antimigraine Agents**

Dr. Mader offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Figueroa. Committee discussion and pharmaceutical manufacturer's presentation followed. Dr. Fran Kaiser, Executive Medical Director, Merck provided information on Maxalt. Ann Wicker, Pfizer thank the Committee for recommendation to Relpax and yielded her time back to the Committee.

After discussion Dr. Murrill offered the motion to add Maxalt to the PDL. The motion was seconded by Dr. Givler. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

The Committee then voted to vote on antimigraine agents as a whole with Maxalt on the PDL. After no additional discussion the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Eletriptan (Relpax)  
Rizatriptan (Maxalt)  
Rizatriptan (Maxalt MLT)  
Sumatriptan (Imitrex Injection) – Brand Only  
Sumatriptan (Imitrex Nasal) – Brand Only  
Sumatriptan Oral – Generic only

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Almotriptan (Axert)  
Diclofenac (Cambia)  
Frovatriptan (Frova)  
Naratriptan  
Sumatriptan (Sumavel DosePro)  
Sumatriptan Injection – Generic only  
Sumatriptan Nasal – Generic only  
Sumatriptan (Imitrex Oral) – Brand Only  
Sumatriptan/Naproxen (Treximet)  
Zolmitriptan (Zomig)  
Zolmitriptan (Zomig ZMT)  
Zolmitriptan (Zomig Nasal)

**11-1;15.Antiparasitic Agents, Topical**

Dr. Wolfson offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Murrill. Committee discussion followed. One pharmaceutical manufacturer was signed up to speak. Steve White, TARD yielded his time back to the Committee. After no discussion the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Crotamiton Cream (Eurax)  
Malathion (Ovide – Brand Only)  
Permethrin

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Benzyl Alcohol (Ulesfia)  
Crotamiton Lotion (Eurax)  
Lindane  
Malathion (Generic only)  
Spinosad (Natroba)

**11-1;16.Antiviral Agents, Topical**

Dr. Murrill offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Gauthier-Lewis. One pharmaceutical manufacturer was signed up to speak. Kelly Guist, Valeant Dermatology, yielded his time back to the Committee. After no discussion the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Acyclovir Ointment (Zovirax)  
Penciclovir Cream (Denavir)

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Acyclovir Cream (Zovirax)  
Acyclovir/Hydrocortisone (Xerese)

**11-1;17.Beta Blockers**

Dr. Givler offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Fulton. Committee discussion and pharmaceutical manufacturer's presentation followed.

Dr. Garland Green, Cardiologist, Baton Rouge, LA, provided information on Bystolic and it's relationship to his practice of fairly robust Medicaid population. William Rowe, Nurse Practitioner and Medical Affairs for Forest Laboratories, also spoke about Bystolic.

Dr. Murrill then offered the motion to amend Provider Synergies' recommendations and add Bystolic to the PDL. Dr. Wilkinson second the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

The Committee then voted on the original motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations, with the addition of Bystolic. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Acebutolol  
Atenolol (Generic)  
Atenolol/Chlorthalidone  
Bisoprolol  
Bisoprolol/HCTZ  
Carvedilol  
Labetalol

Metoprolol  
Metoprolol/HCTZ (Generic Only)  
Metoprolol Succinate ER (Generic Only)  
Nadolol  
Nebivolol (Bystolic)  
Propranolol  
Propranolol LA (Generic Only)  
Propranolol/HCTZ  
Sotalol  
Sotalol AF  
Timolol Maleate

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Atenolol (Tenormin) - Brand Only  
Atenolol / Chlorthalidone (Tenoretic)  
Betaxolol  
Bisoprolol (Zebeta)  
Carvedilol (Coreg)  
Carvedilol CR (Coreg CR)  
Metoprolol Succinate ER (Toprol XL)  
Metoprolol Succinate / Hydrochlorothiazide (Dutoprol)  
Metoprolol Tartrate (Lopressor) - Brand Only  
Metoprolol Tartrate/ Hydrochlorothiazide (Lopressor HCT)  
Nadolol (Corgard)  
Nadolol/Bendroflumethiazide  
Nadolol / Bendroflumethiazide (Corzide)  
Penbutolol (Levatol)  
Pindolol  
Propranolol ER (Innopran XL)  
Propranolol LA (Inderal LA)

**11-1;18.Bladder Relaxant Preparations**

Dr. Figueroa offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Gauthier-Lewis. Two pharmaceutical manufacturers were signed up to speak. Ann Wicker, Pfizer and Sri Gamebhad both yielded their time back to the Committee. After no further discussion the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Fesiterodine ER (Toviaz)  
Oxybutynin  
Solifenacin (VESIcare)

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Darifenacin (Enablex)  
Flavoxate  
Oxybutynin ER  
Oxybutynin Gel (Gelnique Transdermal)  
Oxybutynin Transdermal (Oxytrol)  
Tolterodine (Detrol)



Tolterodine ER (Detrol LA)  
Trospium  
Trospium XR (Sanctura XR)

**11-1;19. Bone Resorption Suppression and Related Agents**

Dr. Gauthier-Lewis offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Wilkinson. After no pharmaceutical manufacturers' requests to make presentations, the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Alendronate Tablets (Generic)  
Calcitonin-salmon Nasal (Miacalcin) – Brand Only

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Alendronate (Fosamax) – Brand Only  
Alendronate Solution (Fosamax Solution)  
Alendronate/Vit D (Fosamax plus D)  
Calcitonin-salmon Nasal (Fortical)  
Calcitonin-salmon Nasal (Generics)  
Denosumab (Prolia)

Etidronate Disodium (Generics)  
Etidronate (Didronel)  
Ibandronate Sodium (Boniva)  
Raloxifene (Evista)  
Risendronate (Actonel)  
Risendronate DR (Atelvia)  
Teriparatide Subcutaneous (Forteo)

**11-1;20. Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia (BPH) Treatments**

Dr. Wilkinson offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Fulton. Committee discussion and pharmaceutical manufacturer's presentation followed. James Osbourne, GlaxoSmithKline, Medical Affairs Merck provided information on Avodart and Jalyn. After no further discussion the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Alfuzosin (Uroxatral) – Brand Only  
Doxazosin  
Finasteride  
Tamsulosin (Generic)  
Terazosin

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Alfuzosin (Generic)  
Doxazosin XL (Cardura XL)  
Dutasteride (Avodart)  
Dutasteride/Tamsulosin (Jalyn)

Silodosin (Rapaflo)  
Tamsulosin (Flomax) – Brand Only

**11-1;21. Calcium Channel Blockers**

Dr. Murrill offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Wolfson. After no pharmaceutical manufacturers' requests to make presentations, the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Amlodipine  
Diltiazem IR  
Diltiazem ER  
Diltiazem SR  
Nicardipine  
Nifedipine ER  
Verapamil  
Verapamil ER (generics only)  
Verapamil IR

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Amlodipine (Norvasc)  
Diltiazem CD (Cardizem CD 360 mg)  
Diltiazem LA (Cardizem LA)  
Diltiazem LA (Matzim LA)  
Diltiazem (Tiazac)  
Felodipine ER  
Isradipine  
Isradipine SR (Dynacirc CR)  
Nicardipine SR (Cardene SR)  
Nifedipine ER (Adalat CC)  
Nifedipine ER (Procardia XL)  
Nifedipine IR  
Nimodipine  
Nisoldipine  
Verapamil (360 mg)  
Verapamil ER (Covera HS)  
Verapamil ER PM  
Verapamil SR (Calan SR)  
Verapamil SR (Verelan)

**11-1;22. Cephalosporins and Related Antibiotics**

Dr. Murrill offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Wilkinson. Committee discussion followed. After no pharmaceutical manufacturers' requests to make presentations, the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Amoxicillin/Clavulanate Suspension

Amoxicillin/Clavulanate Tablets  
Cefadroxil Capsule  
Cefdinir Suspension  
Cefixime (Suprax)  
Cefprozil  
Cefuroxime  
Cephalexin

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Amoxicillin/Clavulanate (Augmentin Tablet)  
Amoxicillin/Clavulanate (Augmentin XR)  
Amoxicillin/Clavulanate ER  
Amoxicillin/Clavulanate Susp (Augmentin 125 & 250)  
Cefaclor  
Cefaclor ER 500mg  
Cefadroxil Suspension  
Cefadroxil Tablet  
Cefdinir  
Cefditoren Pivoxil (Spectracef)  
Ceftibuten (Cedax)  
Cephalexin (Keflex 250, 500 & 750)  
Cefpodoxime  
Cefuroxime Axetil Susp (Ceftin)

**11-1;23.Erythropoiesis Stimulating Proteins**

Dr. Wolfson offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Yu. Committee discussion followed. One pharmaceutical manufacturer was signed up to speak. Brad Clay, Medical Liaison with Amgen yielded his time back to the Committee. After discussion the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Darbepoetin (Aranesp)  
Epoetin alfa (Procrit)

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Epoetin alfa (Epogen)

**11-1;24.Fluoroquinolones, Oral**

Dr. Wolfson offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Figueroa. After no discussion and no pharmaceutical manufacturers' requests to make presentations, the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Ciprofloxacin Tablet  
Levofloxacin Tablet

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Ciprofloxacin Suspension (Cipro Suspension)

Cipro Tablet

Ciprofloxacin ER

Ciprofloxacin ER (Proquin XR)

Gemifloxacin (Factive)

Levofloxacin Solution

Levofloxacin (Levaquin)

Moxifloxacin (Avelox)

Norfloxacin (Noroxin)

Ofloxacin

#### **11-1;25.Growth Hormones**

Dr. Gauthier-Lewis offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Yu. Committee discussion followed. Four pharmaceutical manufacturers were signed up to speak. Tiffany Gall, Medical Liaison with Novo Nordisk thanked the Committee for the recommendation and yielded her time back to the Committee. Erika Szabo, Lilly also yielded her time back to the Committee. Ann Wicker, Medical Outcomes Specialist, Pfizer and registered pharmacist in the state of Louisiana spoke on behalf of Pfizer's growth hormone, Genotropin. The last speaker, Brett Pharis Pharmacist and Clinical Specialist with Genentek thanked the Committee for the recommendation and yielded his time back to the Committee. After discussion the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Somatropin (Norditropin)

Somatropin (Nutropin)

Somatropin (Nutropin AQ)

Somatropin (Saizen)

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Somatropin (Genotropin)

Somatropin (Humatrope)

Somatropin (Omnitrope)

Somatropin (Serostim)

Somatropin (Tev-Tropin)

Somatropin (Zorbtive)

#### **11-1;26.Hepatitis C Agents**

Dr. Figueroa offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Givler. Committee discussion followed. Three pharmaceutical manufacturers were signed up to speak. Lisa Burland, Vertex Pharmaceuticals, thanked the Committee for the recommendation and yielded her time back to the Committee. Dr. Fran Kaiser, thank the Committee for the recommendation for Victrelis and spoke about Pegintron. The last speaker, Dereck Terry, spoke briefly about Pegasys and thanked the Committee and yielded his time back to the Committee. After discussion the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL:*

Boceprevir (Victrelis)  
Ribavirin Tab  
Peginterferon alfa-2a (PEGASYS)  
Telaprevir (Incivek)

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL:*

Consensus Interferon (Infergen)  
Peginterferon alfa-2b (PEG-Intron)  
Peginterferon alfa-2b (PEG-Intron Redipen)  
Ribavirin Capsule  
Ribavirin (Ribasphere, Ribasphere Ribapak)  
Ribavirin (Rebetol)

**11-1;27.Hypoglycemics, Incretin Mimetics/Enhancers**

Dr. Firestone offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Wilkinson. Committee discussion followed. Four pharmaceutical manufacturers were signed up to speak.

Mike Donze, Boehringer Ingelheim, Healthcare Quality and Outcomes Division, thanked the Committee for the recommendation and yielded his time back to the Committee. Nancy Keller, Medical Science Liason, Bristol-Myers Squibb, also thanked the Committee for the recommendation and yielded her time back to the Committee. Dr. Fran Kaiser, Executive Medical Director, Merck, thanked the Committee for the recommendations for Januvia and Janumet and spoke about Janumet extended release. Dr. Kaiser requested the Committee consider adding Juvisync to the list. The last speaker, Mike Ketcher, Medical Liaison, PharmD, Health Economic and Outcomes Research, spoke about recent updated to the Victoza package insert.

After discussion Dr. Murrilll offered the motion to add Victoza to the list. Dr. Givler seconded the motion. After discussion the motion passed with a roll call vote of eleven yeas and two nays by Dr. Firestone and Dr. Wiseman.

The Committee then voted on the class as recommended by Provider Synergies, with the addition of Victoza. There was no additional discussion and the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Linagliptin/Metformin (Jentadueto)  
Linagliptin (Tradjenta)  
Liraglutide (Victoza)  
Pramlintide (Symlin)  
Saxagliptin (Onglyza)  
Saxagliptin/Metformin ER (Kombiglyze XR)  
Sitagliptin Oral (Januvia)  
Sitagliptin/Metformin Oral (Janumet)

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Exenatide Pens (Byetta Pens)  
Exenatide Extended-Release (Bydureon)  
Pramlintide Pens (Symlin Pens)  
Sitagliptin/Simvastatin (Juvistync)

**11-1;28.Hypoglycemics, Insulins**

Dr. Firestone offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Gauthier-Lewis. Committee discussion followed.

Three pharmaceutical manufacturers were signed up to speak. Chris Washington, Medical Science Liaison, Synergy, thanked the Committee for the recommendation for Lantus and yielded his time back to the Committee. Erica Szabo, Lilly, also thanked the Committee for the recommendation and yielded her time back to the Committee. The last speaker, Mike Ketcher, Medical Liaison, Novo Nordisk, thank the Committee for the previous vote on Hypoglycemics, Incretin Mimetics/Enhancers and Victoza. Mr. Ketcher also spoke about two label updates to the Levemir package insert. After discussion the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Human Insulin & Pens (Humulin)  
Insulin Glargine & Pens (Lantus)  
Insulin Lispro & Pens (Humalog)  
Insulin Lispro/Protamine Lispro & Pens (Humalog Mix)

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Human Insulin & Pens (Novolin)  
Insulin Aspart & Pens (Novolog)  
Insulin Aspart/Protamine Lispro & Pens(Novolog Mix 70/30)  
Insulin Detemir & Pens(Levemir)  
Insulin Glulisine & Pens (Apidra)

**11-1;29.Hypoglycemics, Meglitinides**

Dr. Givler offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Murrill. After no pharmaceutical manufacturers' requests to make presentations, the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Repaglinide (Prandin)

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Nateglinide (Generic)  
Nateglinide (Starlix)  
Repaglinide/Metformin (Prandimet)

**11-1;30.Hypoglycemics, Thiazolidinediones (TZDs)**

Dr. Gauthier-Lewis offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Fulton. Committee discussion followed. There were no pharmaceutical manufacturers signed up to speak.

After discussion Dr. Givler offered the motion to remove Avandia from the list. Dr. Wolfson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

The Committee then voted on the class as recommended by Provider Synergies, with the removal of Avandia. There was no additional discussion and the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Pioglitazone (Actos)  
Pioglitazone/Glimeperide (Duetact)  
Pioglitazone/Metformin (Actoplus Met)

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Pioglitazone/Metformin ER (Actoplus Met XR)  
Rosiglitazone/Glimeperide (Avandaryl)  
Rosiglitazone (Avandia)  
Rosiglitazone/Metformin (Avandamet)

**11-1;31.Lipotropics, Other**

Dr. Givler offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Gauthier-Lewis. Committee discussion followed.

Three pharmaceutical manufacturers were signed up to speak. Fran Kaiser, Executive Medical Director, Merck, spoke on behalf of Zetia, Ezetimibe, which has a new indication in its label this year. Jamie Jolly, PharmD, Medical Liaison, Daiichi Sankyo, spoke on behalf of Welchol. The last speaker, Paul Setlak, Abbott Labs, thanked the Committee for the recommendation and yielded his time back to the Committee. After discussion the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Cholestyramine  
Cholestyramine/Aspartame  
Colestipol Tablet  
Fenofibrate (Tricor)  
Fenofibric Acid (Trilipix)  
Gemfibrozil  
Niacin ER (Niaspan)  
Niacin IR (Niacor)

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Colesevelam (WelChol)

Colestipol Granules  
Colestipol Tablet (Colestid)  
Colestipol Granule (Colestid)  
Ezetimibe (Zetia)  
Fenofibrate (Antara)  
Fenofibrate (Fenoglide)  
Fenofibrate (Generic)  
Fenofibrate (Lipofen)  
Fenofibrate (Triglide)  
Fenofibric Acid (Generic)  
Fenofibric Acid (Fibricor)  
Omega-3-acid ethyl esters (Lovaza)

**11-1;32.Lipotropics, Statins**

Dr. Wilkinson offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Wiseman. Committee discussion followed.

Three pharmaceutical manufacturers were signed up to speak. Dr. Fran Kaiser, Merck, spoke on behalf of Vytorin. Paul Setlak, Abbott Labs, yielded his time back to the Committee. The last speaker, Kristen Dulitz, AstraZeneca, presented information on Crestor. After discussion the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Atorvastatin (Generic)  
Fluvastatin (Lescol)  
Fluvastatin XL (Lescol XL)  
Lovastatin  
Niacin ER/Simvastatin (Simcor)  
Pravastatin  
Simvastatin (Generic Only)

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Amlodipine/Atorvastatin  
Amlodipine/Atorvastatin (Caduet)  
Atorvastatin (Lipitor) – Brand Only  
Ezetimibe/Simvastatin (Vytorin)  
Lovastatin ER (Altoprev)  
Niacin ER/Lovastatin (Advicor)  
Pitavastatin (Livalo)  
Pravastatin (Pravachol)  
Rosuvastatin (Crestor)  
Simvastatin (Zocor) – Brand Only

**11-1;33.Macrolides – Ketolides**

Dr. Wolfson offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Figueroa. After no pharmaceutical manufacturers' requests to make presentations, the motion passed unanimously



with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Azithromycin (Generic Only)  
Clarithromycin Tablet  
Erythromycin Tablet (Ery-Tab)  
Erythromycin Base Tablet

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Azithromycin (Zithromax)  
Azithromycin ER (Zmax)  
Clarithromycin (Biaxin Tablet)  
Clarithromycin ER  
Clarithromycin Suspension  
Erythromycin  
Erythromycin Base (PCE)  
Erythromycin DR Capsule  
Erythromycin Ethylsuccinate (E.E.S. 400)  
Erythromycin Ethylsuccinate (E.E.S. 200 Suspension)  
Erythromycin Ethylsuccinate (EryPed 200, 400)  
Telithromycin (Ketek)

**11-1;34. Multiple Sclerosis Agents**

Dr. Mader offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Murrill. Committee discussion followed.

Three pharmaceutical manufacturers were signed up to speak. Jervica Carter, Medical Affairs, thanked the Committee for the recommendation for Avonex and yielded her time back to the Committee. Bryan Hutchinson, Regional Scientific Manager, Acorda, spoke on behalf of Ampyra. The last speaker, Julia Compton, Novartis Medical Affairs spoke on behalf of Gilenya. After the speaker's presentations the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Glatiramer (Copaxone)  
Interferon  $\beta$ -1a (Avonex)  
Interferon  $\beta$ -1a (Rebif)  
Interferon  $\beta$ -1b (Betaseron)

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Dalfampridine (Ampyra)  
Fingolimod (Gilenya)  
Interferon  $\beta$ -1b (Extavia)

**11-1;35. Opiate Dependence**

Dr. Gauthier-Lewis offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Fulton. After no pharmaceutical manufacturers' requests to make presentations, the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Buprenorphine/Naloxone Filmtab (Suboxone)

Buprenorphine/Naloxone SublingTab (Suboxone)

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Buprenorphine Subling Tab (Generic)

Buprenorphine Subling Tab (Subutex)

Naltrexone Extended-Release Injectable Suspension (Vivitrol)

**11-1;36.Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension (PAH) Agents, Oral and Inhaled**

Dr. Murrill offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Wolfson. Committee discussion followed.

Four pharmaceutical manufacturers were signed up to speak. Tommy Brock, Medical Affairs, United Therapeutics thanked the Committee for the recommendation for Adcirca to remain on the Preferred Drug List. Mr Brock also spoke about Tyvaso and ask the Committee to consider adding it to the drug list. Akshaya DaLel, Gilead Sciences, thanked the Committee for adding Letairis to the PDL and yielded his time back to the Committee. The last speaker, Susan Raspa, Medical Science Liaison with Actelion Pharmaceuticals also yielded her time back to the Committee. Committee discussion followed. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Ambrisentan (Letairis)

Bosentan (Tracleer)

Iloprost (Ventavis)

Tadalafil (Adcirca)

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Sildenafil (Revatio)

Treprostinil (Tyvaso)

**11-1;37.Pancreatic Enzymes**

Dr. Firestone offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Murrill. Committee discussion followed. One pharmaceutical manufacturers was signed up to speak. Mr. Setlak yielded his time back to the Committee. No discussion followed. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Creon

Pancrelipase

Zenpep

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Pancreaze

**11-1;38.Phosphate Binders**

Dr. Wolfson offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Gauthier-Lewis. One pharmaceutical manufacturer was signed up to speak. Jamie Heise, PharmD, Medical Science Liaison, Shire Pharmaceuticals, spoke on behalf of Fosrenol, which is lanthanum Carbonate. No discussion followed. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Calcium Acetate (Eliphos)

Sevelamer HCl (RenaGel)

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are*

Calcium Acetate (Generic)

Calcium Acetate (PhosLo)

Calcium Acetate (Phoslyra)

Calcium Carbonate/Magnesium Carbonate/FA (Magenebind 400 Rx)

Lanthanum Carbonate (Fosrenol)

Sevelamer HCl (Renvela)

**11-1;39.Pituitary Suppressive Agents (New Class)**

Dr. Murrill offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Fulton. Committee discussion followed. After no pharmaceutical manufacturers' requests to make presentations, the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Leuprolide Acetate (Lupron Depot) – Brand Only

Leuprolide Acetate (Lupron Depot-Ped)

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Goserelin Acetate (Zoladex)

Histrelin (Supprelin LA®)

Histrelin (Vantas)

Leuprolide Acetate (Generic)

Leuprolide Acetate Kit (Eligard)

Nafarelin Acetate Nasal Solution (Synarel)

Triptorelin Pamoate (Trelstar)

**11-1;40.Platelet Aggregation Inhibitors**

Dr. Gauthier-lewis offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Mader. Two pharmaceutical manufacturers were signed up to speak. Chris Marrone, Liaison, Eli Lilly spoke about Effient and ask the Committee to consider adding it to the preferred drug list. Kristen Dulitz, Liaison, Astra Zeneca Pharmaceuticals spoke on behalf of Brilinta. Committee discussion followed. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Aspirin/Dipyridamole ER (Aggrenox)  
Dipyridamole  
Clopidogrel (Plavix)

*Committee Recommendations for the NPD L are:*

Prasugrel (Effient)  
Ticlopidine  
Ticagrelor (Brilinta)

**11-1;41.Proton Pump Inhibitors**

Dr. Givler offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Wolfson. Committee discussion followed. After no pharmaceutical manufacturers' requests to make presentations, the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Omeprazole (Generic legend only)  
Pantoprazole (Generic Only)  
Pantoprazole Suspension (Protonix)

*Committee Recommendations for the NPD L are:*

Dexlansoprazole (Dexilant)  
Esomeprazole (Nexium)  
Esomeprazole Suspension (Nexium)  
Lansoprazole Capsule  
Lansoprazole Capsule (Prevacid)  
Lansoprazole Solutab  
Lansoprazole Solutab (Prevacid)  
Omeprazole (Prilosec - Brand)  
Omeprazole Suspension (Prilosec)  
Omeprazole/Sodium Bicarbonate (Generic legend only)  
Pantoprazole (Protonix-Brand Only)  
Rabeprazole (Aciphex)

**11-1;42.Skeletal Muscle Relaxants**

Dr. Wolfson offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Wilkinson. Committee discussion followed. After no pharmaceutical manufacturers' requests to make presentations, the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Baclofen  
Chlorzoxazone  
Cyclobenzaprine  
Methocarbamol  
Tizanidine – (Generics only)

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Carisoprodol  
Carisoprodol Compound  
Carisoprodol (Soma 250 mg)  
Chlorzoxazone (Lorzone)  
Chlorzoxazone (Parafon Forte DSC)  
Cyclobenzaprine (Fexmid)  
Cyclobenzaprine ER (Generic)  
Cyclobenzaprine ER (Amrix)  
Dantrolene Sodium  
Metaxalone  
Methocarbamol (Robaxin)  
Orphenadrine  
Orphenadrine Compound  
Tizanidine (Zanaflex)

**11-1;43.Tetracyclines**

Dr. Wolfson offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Fulton. After no pharmaceutical manufacturers' requests to make presentations, the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Doxycycline Hyclate (generic)  
Minocycline Cap  
Tetracycline

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Demeclocycline  
Doxycycline Calcium Suspension (Vibramycin)  
Doxycycline Hyclate (Doryx)  
Doxycycline Hyclate DR (generic)  
Doxycycline Hyclate DR (Morgidox)  
Doxycycline Monohydrate  
Doxycycline DR (Oracea)  
Minocycline ER – (generic)  
Minocycline Tab

**11-1;44.Ulcerative Colitis Agents**

Dr. Wolfson offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Gauthier-Lewis. One pharmaceutical manufacturer was signed up to speak. Kristy Copeland, PharmD, Medical Liaison, Shire Pharmaceutical spoke about Lialda and ask the Committee to place it on the preferred drug list. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

*Committee Recommendations for the PDL are:*

Mesalamine ER (Apriso)  
Balsalazide

Mesalamine (Asacol)  
Mesalamine Suppositories (Canasa)  
Sulfasalazine  
Sulfasalazine DR

*Committee Recommendations for the NPDL are:*

Mesalamine DR (Asacol HD)  
Mesalamine Enemas  
Mesalamine Sulfite-Free Enemas (sfRowasa)  
Mesalamine MMX (Lialda)  
Mesalamine Oral (Pentasa)  
Olsalazine Oral (Dipentum)

**II. NEW SINGLE DRUG REVIEW**

The new drug reviews or single drug reviews are on products that have come to the market since the last review of the class. The reviews at this meeting were on new products in classes reviewed at the November 2, 2011 meeting. One (1) new drug in one (1) therapeutic class was reviewed and a recommendation was made. P&T Committee recommendation follow:

**Class Review  
Number**

**10-2;17 NSAIDS**

Dr. Murrill offered the motion to accept Provider Synergies' recommendations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Wolfson. After no pharmaceutical manufacturers' requests to make presentations, the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

The new drug Ibuprofen/Famotidine (**Duexis**) was reviewed and recommended by the Committee for the NPDL.

**10-2;18. Oncology Agents, Oral**

The class was not implemented at the November 2, 2011 meeting. Dr Figueroa offered the motion to wait to review oncology agents at the fall meeting. Dr. Gauthier-Lewis seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

A pharmaceutical manufacturer, Matt Fairchild, Pfizer Oncology, was signed up to speak in regards to Inlyta. He agreed to come back in the fall and speak on the drug when the committee reviews oncology agents.

**Next Steps:**

- A. Therapeutic Classes proposed to be reviewed at Next Meeting.** Therapeutic classes proposed for review at the next meeting are:

*Note: Therapeutic Classes scheduled for review are posted on the following websites:  
DHH Medicaid - ([www.lamedicaid.com](http://www.lamedicaid.com)) and Provider Synergies -  
(<http://www.providersynergies.com/services/medicaid/default.asp?content=Louisiana>)*

**Next Meeting Date:**

The next Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 31, 2012.

**Public Comment:**

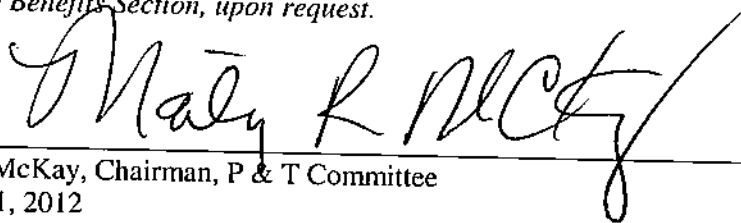
There were no additional public comments.

**Adjournment:**

Dr Wolfson offered the motion to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Fulton second the motion. The meeting adjourned at 1:37 p.m.

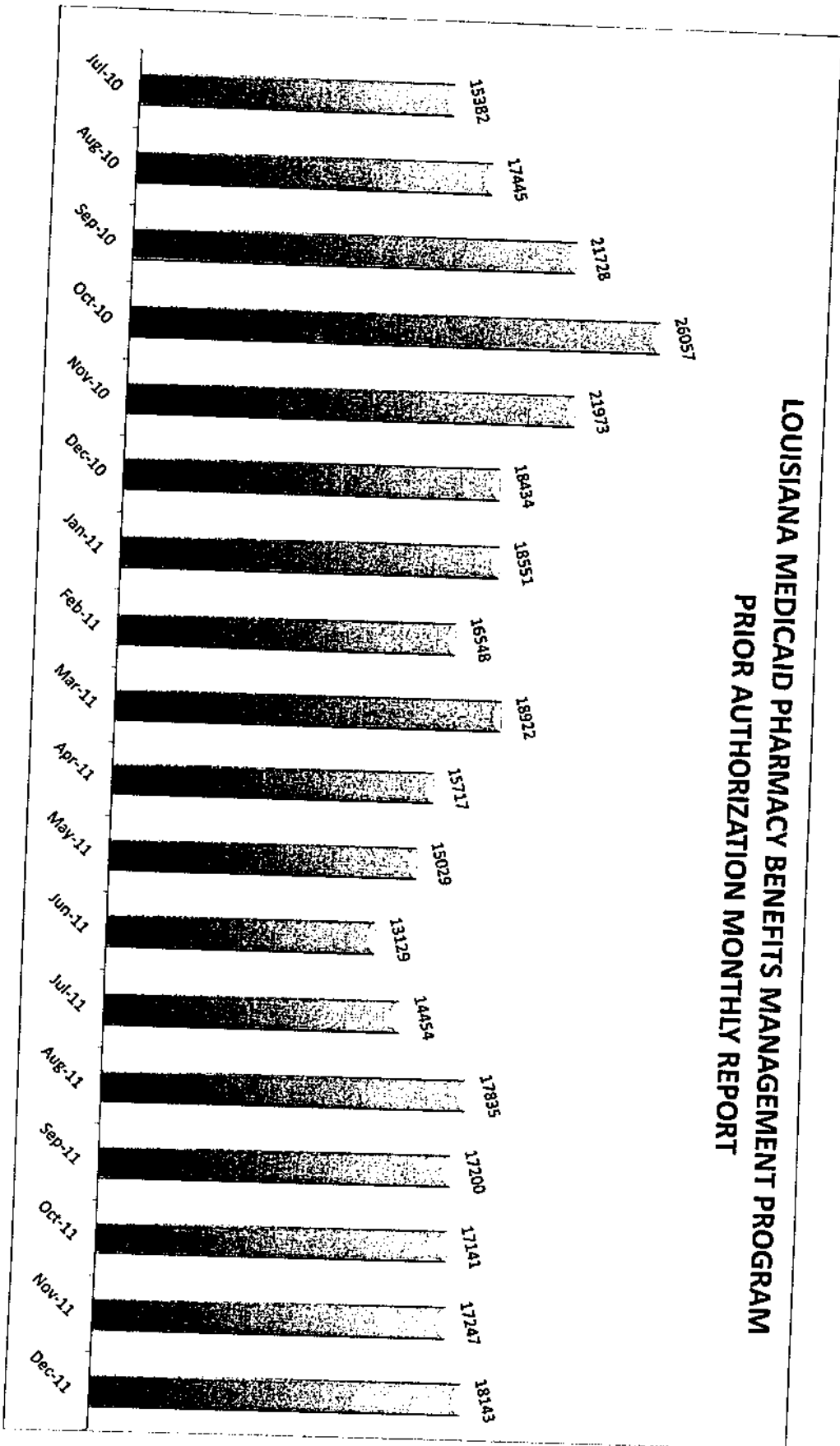
*Attachments (3)*

*The meeting transcript is available for review at DHH, Bureau of Health Services Financing, Pharmacy Benefits Section, upon request.*



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Marty R. McKay, Chairman, P & T Committee  
October 31, 2012





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1	ADD/ADHD Stimulants and Related Agents	Amphetamine Salt Combo (Generic; Adderall*) Amphetamine Salt Combo ER (Adderall XR* - Brand Only) Atomoxetine (Strattera*) Dexamphetamine (Focalin* - Brand Only) Dexamphetamine ER (Focalin XR*) Dextroamphetamine (Generic) Guafacine ER (Intuniv*) Lisdexamfetamine (Vyvanse*) Methylphenidate (Generic; Metadate CD*) Methylphenidate ER (Generic excluding generic Concerta)(Metadate CD & Concerta Brand only) Methylphenidate IR (Methylin Chewable & Solution*) Methylphenidate SR (Ritalin SR*) Methylphenidate Transdermal Patches (Daytrana*)	Amphetamine Salt Combo ER (Generic Only) Armodafinil (Nuvigil*) Clonidine Extended-Release (Kapvay*) Dexamphetamine (Generic Only) Dextroamphetamine ER (Generic; Dexadrine) Dextroamphetamine Solution (Procentra) Methylphenidate Solution (Generic) Methamphetamine (Generic; Desoxyn*) Methylphenidate ER (Generic Concerta; Ritalin LA*) Modafinil (Provigil*)	
2	ALLERGY Antihistamines - Minimally Sedating	Cetirizine Syrup OTC Cetirizine Syrup Rx Cetirizine Tablet OTC Cetirizine-D OTC Fexofenadine Tablet 30mg, 60mg, 180mg (Generic Only) Fexofenadine-D 12-hour (Generic Only) Fexofenadine-D 24-hour (Generic Only) Loratadine Tab OTC (Generic Only) Loratadine ODT Tablet OTC (Generic Only) Loratadine-D Tablet (Generic Only) Loratadine Syrup OTC (Generic Only)	Acrivastin/Pseudoephedrine (Semprex-D*) Cetirizine Chewable Tablet OTC Cetirizine Solution 5mg/5cc OTC Desloratadine Tablet (Clarinet*) Desloratadine ODT (Clarinet ODT*) Desloratadine Syrup (Clarinet*) Desloratadine/Pseudoephedrine (Clarinet-D 12-hour*) Desloratadine/Pseudoephedrine (Clarinet-D 24-hour*) Fexofenadine Tablet 30mg, 60mg, 180mg (Allegra - Brand Only) Fexofenadine ODT Tablet (Allegra ODT*) Fexofenadine/Pseudoephedrine (Allegra-D 12-hour* - Brand Only) Fexofenadine/Pseudoephedrine (Allegra-D 24-hour* - Brand Only) Fexofenadine Syrup (Allegra Syrup*) Levocetirizine Tablet (Generic; Xyzal*) Levocetirizine Syrup (Generic; Xyzal*) Loratadine Capsule OTC (Claritin* - Brand Only)	

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	Antihistamines - Minimally Sedating cont'		Loratadine Syrup OTC (Claritin® - Brand Only) Loratadine Tablet OTC (Claritin®) Loratadine ODT OTC (Claritin® - Brand Only) Loratadine Chewable Tablet OTC (Claritin®) Loratadine-D 12 hours OTC (Claritin - D®) Loratadine-D 24 hours OTC (Claritin - D®)	
	Rhinitis Agents, Nasal	Azelastine (Astellin; Astepro®) Fluticasone Propionate (Flonase® - Brand Only) Ipratropium Nasal Mometasone (Nasonex®) Olopatadine (Patanase®)	Azelastine (Generic) Bedomethasone (Beconase AQ®) Budesonide Aquo (Rhinocort Aqua®) Ciclesonide (Omnaris®) Flunisolide Fluticasone Furoate (Veramyst®) Fluticasone Propionate (Generic Only) Triamcinolone (Generic; Nasacort AQ®)	
3	ALZHEIMER'S			
	Alzheimer's Agents	Donepezil (Aricept® - Brand Only)	Donepezil (Generics only)	
	Cholinesterase Inhibitors	Donepezil (Aricept ODT® - Brand Only) Memantine Solution (Namenda Sol®) Memantine Tablet (Namenda Tab®) Memantine Tablet Dose Pack (Namenda Tab Dose Pack®) Rivastigmine Capsule (Exelon Capsule® - Brand Only) Rivastigmine Transdermal (Exelon Transdermal®)	Donepezil ODT (Generics only) Donepezil 23 mg (Aricept 23mg®) Galantamine Tablet Galantamine ER Galantamine Oral Solution (Generics; Razadyne®) Rivastigmine Capsule (Generics Only) Rivastigmine Oral Solution (Generics; Exelon Solution®)	

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4	<b>ANTIPSYCHOTIC AGENTS</b> Antipsychotic Agents		<b>ORAL</b> Aripiprazole Oral Solution (Ablify Oral Solution*) Clozapine (Clozaril; Fazado*) Lurasidone (Latuda*) Olanzapine (Zyprexa; Zyprexa Zydis*) Olanzapine/Fluoxetine (Symbyax*) Paliperidone ER (Invega*) Risperidone ODT (Risperdal* - Brand Only) Risperidone Solution (Risperdal* - Brand Only) Risperidone Tablet (Risperdal* - Brand Only)	January 1, 2012
		Amitriptyline/Perphenazine Aripiprazole Disasmelt (Ablify*) Aripiprazole Tablet (Ablify*) Asenapine (Saphris*) Chlorpromazine Clozapine (Generics Only) Fluphenazine Elixir Fluphenazine Tablet Haloperidol Oral Haloperidol Lactate Concentrate Iloperidone Dose pack (Fanapt*) Iloperidone Tablet (Fanapt*) Molindone (Mobait*) Perphenazine Pimozide (Crap*) Quetiapine (Seroquel*) Quetiapine (Seroquel XR*) Risperidone ODT (Generic Only) Risperidone Solution (Generic Only) Risperidone Tablet (Generic Only) Thioridazine Thiothixene (Generic; Navane*) Trifluoperazine (Generic) Ziprasidone (Geodon*)		
			<b>INJECTIONS</b> Haloperidol Decanoate (Halbol* - Brand Only) Olanzapine (Zyprexa*) Olanzapine (Zyprexa Relprevv*) Paliperidone (Invega Sustenna*)	
		Aripiprazole (Ablify*) Fluphenazine Decanoate Haloperidol Decanoate (Generic Only) Haloperidol Lactate (Generic) Risperidone (Risperdal Consta*) Ziprasidone (Geodon*)		

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5	ASTHMA/COPD Bronchodilator, Beta-Adrenergic Agents	<p>Albuterol Sulfate Nebulizer Solution 100mg/20ml</p> <p>Albuterol Sulfate Nebulizer Solution 2.5mg/3ml</p> <p>Albuterol Sulfate Nebulizer Solution 2.5mg/0.5ml</p> <p>Albuterol Sulfate Nebulizer Low-Dose (AccuNeb®)</p> <p>Albuterol Sulfate HFA (ProAir HFA®)</p> <p>Albuterol Sulfate HFA MDI (Proventil HFA®)</p>	<p><b>INHALATION</b></p> <p>Albuterol Sulfate HFA MDI (Ventolin HFA®)</p> <p>Albuterol Sulfate Nebulizer Low-Dose 0.63mg/3ml, 1.25mg/3ml</p> <p>Arformoterol Inhalation Solution (Brovana Inhalation Solution®)</p> <p>Formoterol DPI (Foradil®)</p> <p>Formoterol Inhalation Solution (Perforomist Inhalation Solution®)</p> <p>Indacaterol for inhalation (Arcapta®)</p> <p>Levalbuterol HCL Nebulizer Solution (Generic; Xopenex®)</p> <p>Levalbuterol HFA (Xopenex HFA®)</p> <p>Pirbuterol (Maxair Autohaler®)</p> <p>Salmeterol Xinafoate (Serevent Diskus®)</p>	
		<p>Albuterol Sulfate Syrup</p> <p>Albuterol Sulfate Tablet</p> <p>Metaproterenol Sulfate Syrup</p> <p>Terbutaline Sulfate</p>	<p><b>ORAL</b></p> <p>Albuterol Sulfate ER (Generic; Vospire ER Tablet®)</p> <p>Metaproterenol Sulfate Tablet</p>	
	Bronchodilator, Anticholinergics (COPD)	<p>Albuterol Sulfate/ipratropium MDI (Combivent®)</p> <p>Albuterol Sulfate/ipratropium Nebulizer Solution (Duoneb® - Brand Only)</p> <p>ipratropium Nebulizer</p> <p>ipratropium Inhalation Aerosol MDI (Atrovent HFA®)</p> <p>Tiotropium Inhalation Powder (Spiriva®)</p>	<p><b>INHALATION</b></p> <p>Albuterol Sulfate/ipratropium Nebulizer (Generic Only)</p>	
		NONE	<p><b>ORAL</b></p> <p>Roflumilast (Daliresp®)</p>	

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	<b>Glucocorticoids, Inhalation</b>	Beclomethasone MDI (QVAR*) Budesonide Respules 0.25mg; 0.5mg - 8 years old and under Budesonide Respules 0.25mg; 0.5mg (Pulmicort Respules*) - 8 years old and under Budesonide Respules 1mg (Pulmicort Respules*) - 8 years old and under Fluticasone MDI (Flovent*) Fluticasone MDI (Flovent HFA Inhaler*) Fluticasone/Salmeterol DPI (Advair Diskus*) Fluticasone/Salmeterol MDI (Advair HFA*) Mometasone DPI (Asmanex*) Mometasone/Formoterol MDI (Dulera*)	Budesonide DPI (Pulmicort Flexhaler*) Budesonide Respules 0.25mg; 0.5mg - 9 years old and over Budesonide Respules 0.25mg; 0.5mg (Pulmicort Respules*) - 9 years old and over Budesonide Respules 1mg (Pulmicort Respules*) - 9 years old and over Budesonide/Formoterol MDI (Symbicort*) Ciclesonide (Alvesco*)	
	<b>Leukotriene Modifiers</b>	Montelukast Chewable Tablet (Singulair*) Montelukast Tablet (Singulair*) Zafirlukast (Accolate*) - Brand Only	Montelukast Gran Pack (Singulair Gran Pack*) Zafirlukast (Generic Only) Zileuton CR (Zyflo CR*)	
6	<b>DEPRESSION</b>			
	<b>Antidepressants, Other</b>	Bupropion IR Bupropion SR Bupropion XL Mirtazapine (Generics only) Mirtazapine ODT (Generics only) Trazodone Venlafaxine ER Capsule (Effexor XR*) - Brand Only Venlafaxine IR Tablet	Bupropion HBr ER (Aplenzin*) Bupropion HCl IR (Wellbutrin*) Bupropion HCl SR (Wellbutrin SR*) Bupropion HCl XL (Wellbutrin XL*) Desvenlafaxine (Pristiq*) Duloxetine (Cymbalta*) Mirtazapine (Remeron*) Mirtazapine ODT (Remeron ODT*) Nefazodone Selegiline Patch (Emsam*) Trazodone ER (Oleptro*) Venlafaxine ER Capsule (Generic) Venlafaxine ER Tablet (Generic; Schwarz; Upstate) Vilazodone (Viibryd*)	

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	Selective Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitors (SSRIs)	Citalopram Tablet (Generic) Fluoxetine Capsule (Generic) Fluoxetine Tablet 10mg Fluoxetine Solution Fluvoxamine Oral Paroxetine Suspension (Paxil®) Paroxetine CR Tablet (Paxil CR®) Paroxetine Tablet (Paxil®) Paroxetine Tablet (Generic) Sertraline Tablet (Generic)	Citalopram Solution Citalopram Tablet (Celexa®) Escitalopram Solution (Lexapro®) Escitalopram Tablet (Lexapro®) Fluoxetine Tablet 20mg Fluoxetine Capsule (Prozac, Sarafem®) Fluoxetine DR Capsule (Generic; Prozac Weekly®) Fluvoxamine CR (Luvox CR®) Paroxetine Suspension (Generic) Paroxetine CR Tablet (Generic) Paroxetine Mesylate (Pexeva) Sertraline Concentrate (Zoloft; Generic) Sertraline Tablet (Zoloft®)	January 1, 2012
7	DERMATOLOGY Antifungals - Topical	Clotrimazole Rx Clotrimazole/Betamethasone Econazole Ketoconazole Cream Ketoconazole Shampoo (Rx only) Nystatin Nystatin w/ Triamcinolone	Butenafine (Mentax®) Ciclopirox (CNL8®) Ciclopirox Cream Ciclopirox Gel Ciclopirox Shampoo Ciclopirox Solution Ciclopirox Suspension Ketoconazole (Ketocon Plus®) Ketoconazole Foam (Extina®) Ketoconazole (Xolegel®) Miconazole (Nuzole®) Miconazole/zinc oxide/white petrolatum (Vusion®) Naftifine (Naftin®) Nystatin (Pediaderm AF®) Oxiconazole (Oxistat®) Sertaconazole (Ertaczo®) Sulconazole (Exelderm®)	

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	Antiparasitic Agents, Topical	Crotamiton (Eurax*) Malathion (Ovide* - Brand only) Permethrin	Benzyl Alcohol (Ulesfia*) Lindane Malathion (generic only) Spinosad (Natroba*)	
	Antiviral Agents, Topical	Acyclovir Ointment (Zovirax*) Penciclovir Cream (Denavir*)	Acyclovir Cream (Zovirax*) Acyclovir/Hydrocortisone (Xerese*)	
	Atopic Dermatitis Immunomodulators	Pimecrolimus (Eliel*) Tacrolimus (Protopic*)	NONE	
	Antibiotics, Topical	Gentamicin Sulfate Mupirocin Ointment	Mupirocin Cream (Bactroban*) Retapamulin (Altabax*)	
	STEROIDS, TOPICAL Low Potency	Alclometasone Dipropionate (Aclovate* - Brand Only) Desonide Cream, Ointment (Generic) Hydrocortisone Cream, Lotion, Ointment (Generic)	Alclometasone Dipropionate Cream, Ointment (Generic Only) Desonate Gel (Generic) Desonide/Emollient Combo No. 3 (Desonil Plus*) Desonide Lotion (Generic; Desowen; Verdeso*) Desonide Cream Kit (Desowen Cream Kit*) Desonide Lotion Kit (Desowen Lotion Kit*) Desonide Ointment Kit (Desowen Ointment Kit*) Fluocinolone Acetonide Shampoo (Capex*) Fluocinolone Acetonide (Derma-Smoothie-FS*) Hydrocortisone (Texacort*) Hydrocortisone Acetate/Urea Hydrocortisone/Aloe Gel (Generic; Nuzon*) Hydrocortisone/Mineral Oil/Pet Ointment Hydrocortisone/Emollient (Pediaderm HC*) Triamcinolone (Pediaderm TA*)	

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	<b>Medium Potency</b>	Clococtolone Pivalate (Cloderm*) Fluocinolone Acetonide Cream, Ointment, Solution Fluticasone Propionate Cream, Ointment (Generic) Hydrocortisone Butyrate Ointment, Solution Hydrocortisone Valerate Cream (Generic) Prednicarbate Cream (Dermatop*)	Betametasone Valerate (Luxiq*) Flurandrenolide Tape (Cordran Tape*) Fluticasone Propionate Cream, Lotion (Cutivate*) Hydrocortisone Butyrate Cream (Generic; Locoid Lipocream*) Hydrocortisone Probutate (Pandel*) Hydrocortisone Valerate Cream (Westcort*) Hydrocortisone Valerate Ointment (Generic) Mometasone Furoate Cream, Ointment, Solution (Generic; Elocon*) Mometasone Furoate (Mometaxin*) Prednicarbate Cream, Ointment (Generic) Prednicarbate Ointment (Dermatop*)	
	<b>High Potency</b>	Amcinonide Lotion (Generic) Betamethasone Dipropionate Cream, Lotion, Ointment (Generic) Betamethasone Valerate Cream, Lotion, Ointment (Generic) Betamethasone Valerate Cream, Lotion (Beta Val*) Fluocinonide Cream; Emollient; Gel; Ointment, Solution (Generic) Triamcinolone Acetonide Cream, Ointment (Generic)	Amcinonide Cream, Ointment (Generic) Betamethasone Dipropionate/Prop Glycol Cream, Lotion, Ointment (Generic; Diprolene; Diprolene/AF*) Betamethasone Dipropionate Gel (Generic; Diprolene*) Desoximetasone Cream, Gel, Ointment (Generic; Topicort; Topicort LP*) Diflorasone Diacetate Cream, Ointment (Generic) Fluocinonide Cream (Vanos*) Halcinonide Cream, Ointment (Halog*) Triamcinolone Acetonide Aerosol (Kenlag Aerosol*) Triamcinolone Acetonide Lotion (Generic)	
	<b>Very High Potency</b>	Clobetasol Propionate Cream, Gel, Ointment, Solution (Generic) Clobetasol Propionate Foam (Olux*) Clobetasol Propionate/Emollient (Generic Only) Halobetasol Propionate Cream, Ointment (Generic)	Clobetasol Propionate Cream (Temovate*) Clobetasol Propionate Foam (Generic Only) Clobetasol Propionate (Clobex Lotion, Shampoo, Spray*) Clobetasol Propionate - Emollient (Olux-E* - Brand Only) Diflorasone Diacetate (Apexicon E*) Halobetasol Propionate/Ammonium Lactate (Halac, Halonate, Halonate PAC, Ultravate PAC*)	



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8	DIABETES			
	Hypoglycemics, Meglitinides	Nateglinide (Starlix*) Repaglinide (Prandin*)	Nateglinide (Generic) Repaglinide/Metformin (Prandimet*)	
	Hypoglycemics, Thiazolidinediones (TZDs)	Pioglitazone (Actos*)	Pioglitazone/Glimeperide (Duetact*) Pioglitazone/Metformin (Actoplus Met*) Pioglitazone/Metformin ER (Actoplus Met XR*) Rosiglitazone/Glimeperide (Avandaryl*) Rosiglitazone (Avandia*) Rosiglitazone/Metformin (Avandamet*)	
	Hypoglycemics	Human Insulin & Pens (Humulin*)	Human Insulin & Pens (Novolin*)	
	Insulins & Related Agents	Insulin Glargine & Pens (Lantus*) Insulin Lispro & Pens (Humalog*) Insulin Lispro/Protamine Lispro & Pens (Humalog Mix*)	Insulin Aspart & Pens (Novolog*) Insulin Aspart/Insulin Aspart Protamine & Pens (Novolog Mix 70/30*) Insulin Detemir & Pens (Levemir*) Insulin Glulisine & Pens (Apidra*)	
	Hypoglycemics	Exenatide (Byetta Pens*)	Liraglutide (Victoza*)	
	Incretin Mimetics/Enhancers	Linagliptin (Tradjenta*) Pramlintide (Symlin*) Pramlintide Pens (Symlin Pens*) Saxagliptin (Onglyza*) Saxagliptin/Metformin ER (Kombiglyze XR*) Sitagliptin (Januvia*) Sitagliptin/Metformin (Janumet*)		

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9	DIGESTIVE DISORDERS			
	Antiemetic/Antivertigo Agents	Aprepitant Oral (Eemend®)	Dolasetron IV inj (Anzemet®)	
		Dimenhydrinate Inj	Dolasetron Oral (Anzemet®)	
		Dronabinol Oral (Marinol®)	Dronabinol Oral (Generic)	
		Meclizine	Fosaprepitant IV Inj (Eemend®)	
		Metoclopramide Inj	Granisetron IV inj	
		Metoclopramide Oral	Granisetron Oral	
		Ondansetron IV Inj	Granisetron Transdermal (Sancuso®)	
		Ondansetron Oral ODT	Metoclopramide Oral DDT (Metozolv®)	
		Ondansetron Oral Tab	Nabilone (Cesamet®)	
		Ondansetron Oral Solution	Ondansetron Oral (Zuplenz®)	
		Prochlorperazine Inj	Palonosetron IV inj (Aloxi®)	
		Prochlorperazine Oral		
		Prochlorperazine Rectal		
		Promethazine Inj		
		Promethazine Oral		
		Promethazine Rectal		
		Scopolamine Oral (Scopace®)		
		Scopolamine Transdermal (Transderm-Scop®)		
		Trimethobenzamide IM Inj		
		Trimethobenzamide Oral		
	Bile Acid Salts	Ursodiol Capsule (Generic Only)	Chenodiol (Chenodal®)	
			Ursodiol Tablet	
			Ursodiol USP (Actigal® - Brand Only)	
			Ursodiol (URSO 250®)	
			Ursodiol (URSO Forte®)	
	Pancreatic Enzymes	Creon	Pancreaze	
		Pancrelipase		
		Zenpep		

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	Proton Pump Inhibitors	Esomeprazole (Nexium®) Omeprazole (Generic legend only)	Dexlansoprazole (Dexilant®) Esomeprazole Suspension (Nexium®) Lansoprazole Capsule Lansoprazole Capsule (Prevacid®) Lansoprazole Solutab Lansoprazole Solutab (Prevacid®) Omeprazole Suspension (Prilosec®) Omeprazole/Sodium Bicarbonate (Generic legend only) Pantoprazole Pantoprazole Suspension (Protonix®) Rabeprazole (Aciphex®)	
	Ulcerative Colitis Agents	Balsalazide Mesalamine ER (Apriso®) Mesalamine Enemas Mesalamine (Asacol®) Mesalamine Suppositories (Canasa®) Sulfasalazine	Mesalamine DR (Asacol HD®) Mesalamine Sulfite-free Enema (sRowasa®) Mesalamine MMX (Lialda®) Mesalamine Oral (Pentasa®) Disalazine Oral (Dipentum®)	
10	GROWTH DEFICIENCY Growth Hormones	Somatropin (Genotropin®) Somatropin (Norditropin®) Somatropin (Nutropin®) Somatropin (Nutropin AQ®)	Somatropin (Humatrope®) Somatropin (Omnitrope®) Somatropin (Saizen®) Somatropin (Serostim®) Somatropin (Teo-Tropin®) Somatropin (Zorbtive®)	
11	GOUT AGENTS Antihyperuricemics	Allopurinol Probenecid Probenecid/Colchicine	Colchicine (Coltrys®) Febuxostat (Uloric®)	

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12	HEART DISEASE, HYPERLIPIDEMIA Lipotropics, Other	Cholestyramine Colestipol Fenofibrate (Tricor®) Fenofibric Acid (Trilipix®) Gemfibrozil Niacin ER (Niaspan®) Niacin IR (Niacor®)	Colestevlam (Welchol®) Ezetimibe (Zetia®) Fenofibrate (Antara®) Fenofibrate (Fenoglide®) Fenofibrate (Generic) Fenofibrate (Lipofen®) Fenofibrate (Triglide®) Fenofibric Acid (Generic) Fenofibric Acid (Fibracor®) Omega-3-acid ethyl esters (Lovaza®)	
	Statin & Statin Combination Agents	Atorvastatin (Lipitor®) Fluvastatin (Lescol®) Fluvastatin XL (Lescol XL®) Lovastatin Niacin ER/Simvastatin (Simcor®) Pravastatin Rosuvastatin (Crestor®) Simvastatin	Amiodipine/Atorvastatin (Caduet®) Ezetimibe/Simvastatin (Vytorin®) Lovastatin ER (Altoprev®) Niacin ER/Lovastatin (Advicor®) Pitavastatin (Livalo®)	

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	<b>HYPERTENSION</b>			
	ACE Inhibitors & Direct Renin Inhibitors	Benazepril	Aliskiren (Tekturna*)	
		Benazepril/HCTZ	Aliskiren/HCTZ (Tekturna HCT*)	
		Captopril	Azilsartan Meoxomil (Edarbi*)	
		Captopril/HCTZ	Candesartan (Atacand*)	
		Enalapril	Candesartan/HCTZ (Atacand HCT*)	
		Enalapril/HCTZ	Eprosartan (Teveten*)	
		Fosinopril	Eprosartan/HCTZ (Teveten HCT*)	
		Fosinopril/HCTZ	Moexipril	
		Irbesartan (Avapro*)	Moexipril/HCTZ	
		Irbesartan/HCTZ (Avalide*)	Olmesartan (Benicar*)	
		Lisinopril	Olmesartan/HCTZ (Benicar HCT*)	
		Lisinopril/HCTZ	Perindopril	
		Losartan	Telmisartan (Micardis*)	
		Losartan/HCTZ	Telmisartan/HCTZ (Micardis HCT*)	
		Quinapril		
		Quinapril/HCTZ		
		Ramipril		
		Trandolapril		
		Valsartan (Diovan*)		
		Valsartan/HCTZ (Diovan HCT*)		
	<b>Angiotensin Modulators/Calcium Channel Blockers Combination Products</b>	Amlodipine/Benazepril - Generic only	Amlodipine/Aliskiren (Tekamlo*)	
		Amlodipine/Olmesartan (Azor*)	Amlodipine/Aliskiren/HCTZ (Amturnide*)	
		Amlodipine/Olmesartan/HCTZ (Tribenzor*)	Amlodipine/Benazepril (Lotrel*)	
		Amlodipine/Valsartan (Exforge*)	Amlodipine/Telmisartan (Twynysta*)	
		Amlodipine/Valsartan/HCTZ (Exforge HCT*)		
		Valsartan/Aliskiren (Valturna*)		
		Trandolapril/Verapamil		



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	<b>Calcium Channel Blockers</b>	Amlodipine Diltiazem CD (Cardizem CD 360 mg) Diltiazem IR Diltiazem ER Diltiazem SR Felodipine ER Isradipine Nicardipine Nifedipine ER Nifedipine IR Nimodipine Verapamil Verapamil ER (Generics only) Verapamil IR Verapamil SR	Isradipine SR (Dynacirc CR*) Nisoldipine Verapamil ER (Covera HS*) Verapamil ER PM	
	<b>ANTICOAGULANTS</b>			
	<b>Platelet Aggregation Inhibitors</b>	Aspirin/Dipyridamole ER (Aggrenox*) Clopidogrel (Plavix*) Dipyridamole	Prasugrel (Effient*) Ticlopidine	
	<b>Anticoagulants</b>	Dabigatran (Pradaxa*) Dalteparin (Fragmin*) Enoxaparin (Lovenox*) Fondaparinux (Arixtra*) Rivaroxaban (Xarelto*) Warfarin	Enoxaparin (Generic) Tinzaparin (Innohep*)	

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	PULMONARY ARTERIAL HYPERTENSION (PAH)	Bosentan (Tracleer®) Iloprost (Ventavis®) Sildenafil (Revatio®) Tadalafil (Adcirca®)	Ambrisentan (Letairis®) Treprostinil (Tyvaso®)	
13	HEMATOLOGIC AGENTS HEMATOPOIETIC AGENTS Erythropoietins	Darbepoetin (Aranesp®) Epoetin alfa (Procrit®)	Epoetin alfa (Epoegen®)	
	Anticoagulants - refer to HEART DISEASE			
14	HEMODIALYSIS Phosphate Binders	Calcium Acetate (PhosLo®) Sevelamer HCL (RenaGel®) Sevelamer Carbonate (Renvela®)	Calcium Acetate (Generics) Calcium Acetate (Eliphos®) Lanthanum (Fosrenol®)	
15	HORMONE THERAPY Androgenic Agents	Testosterone Transdermal Patch (Androderm®) Testosterone Gel 1% (Androgel®)	Testosterone (Axiron®) Testosterone Gel 1% (Testim®) Testosterone Gel (Fortesta®)	
	HYPERLIPIDEMIA - REFER TO HEART DISEASE			
	IMMUNE DISORDERS - REFER TO MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS			



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16	INFECTIOUS DISORDERS			
	ANTIBIOTICS			
	Cephalosporin and Related	Amoxicillin/Clavulanate Suspension Amoxicillin/Clavulanate Tablets	Amoxicillin/Clavulanate ER Cefaclor	
	Antibiotics	Amoxicillin/Clavulanate Susp (Augmentin 125 & 250) Cefadroxil Cefixime (Suprax®) Cefprozil Ceftibuten (Cedax®) Cefuroxime tablets Cephalexin	Cefaclor ER 500 mg Cefdinir Cefditoren Pivoxil Cefpodoxime Cefuroxime Axetil Susp (Ceftin®)	
	Fluoroquinolones	Ciprofloxacin Tablets Levofloxacin (Levaquin®)	<b>ORAL</b> Ciprofloxacin Suspension (Cipro Suspension®) Ciprofloxacin ER Ciprofloxacin ER (Proquin XR®) Gemifloxacin (Factive®) Moxifloxacin (Avelox®) Norfloxacin (Noroxin®) Ofloxacin	
	Antibiotics, Gastrointestinal	Metronidazole Neomycin Nitazoxanide (Alinia®) Tridazole (Tindamax®)	Fidaxomicin (Dificid®) Metronidazole ER (Flagyl ER®) Rifaximin (Xifaxan®) Vancomycin (Vancocin®)	
	Antibiotics, Inhaled	Tobramycin (Tobi®)	Azteonam (Cayston®)	
	Macrolides - Ketolides	Azithromycin Erythromycin	Azithromycin ER (Zmax®) Clarithromycin Clarithromycin ER Telithromycin (Ketek®)	

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	<b>Tetracyclines</b>	Doxycycline Hyclate (generic) Doxycycline Hyclate DR (generic) Doxycycline Monohydrate Minocycline Cap Minocycline Tab Tetracycline	Demeclocycline Doxycycline Calcium Suspension (Vibramycin®) Doxycycline Hyclate (Donyx®) Doxycycline DR (Oracea®) Minocycline ER - generic	
	<b>Vaginal</b>	Clindamycin Vaginal Cream Clindamycin Vaginal Ovules (Cleocin®) Metronidazole Vaginal Gel Metronidazole Vaginal Gel (Vandazole®)	Clindamycin Vaginal Cream (Clindesse®)	
	<b>OPHTHALMIC ANTIBIOTICS - refer to Ophthalmic Disorders</b>			
	<b>OTIC ANTIBIOTICS - refer to OTIC Agents</b>			
	<b>ANTIFUNGALS</b>			
	<b>Antifungals, Oral</b>	Clotrimazole Troches Fluconazole Griseofulvin Suspension Griseofulvin (Gris-Peg®) Ketoconazole Nystatin Terbinafine (no granules)	Flucytosine (Ancobon®) Griseofulvin Tablets (Grifulvin V®) Itraconazole Itraconazole Solution (Sporanox®) Miconazole (Oravig®) Posaconazole (Noxafil®) Terbinafine (Terbinex®) Terbinafine Granules (Lamisil Granules®) Voriconazole (Generic) Voriconazole (VFEND®)	

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	HEPATITIS AGENTS			
	Hepatitis C Agents	Boceprevir (Victrelis®) Ribavirin Peginterferon alfa 2A (Pegasys®)	Consensus Interferon (Infergen®) Peginterferon alfa 2b (Peg-Intron®) Peginterferon alfa 2b (Peg-Intron Redipen®) Telaprevir (Incivek®)	
17	MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS			
	Multiple Sclerosis Agents	Glatiramer (Copaxone®) Interferon beta - 1a (Avonex®) Interferon beta - 1a (Rebif®) Interferon beta - 1b (Betaseron®)	Dalfampridine (Ampyra®) Fingolimod (Gilenya®) Interferon beta-1b [Extavia®]	
18	OPHTHALMIC DISORDERS			
	Allergic Conjunctivitis	Cromolyn Sodium Loteprednol (Atrix®) Olopatadine HCl (Pataday®)	Alcaftadine (Lastacaft®) Azelastine HC (Generic; Optivar®) Bepotastine (Bepreve®) Emedastine Difumarate (Emadine®) Epinastine (Generic; Elestat®) Lodoxamide Tromethamine (Alomide®) Nedocromil Sodium (Alocril®) Olopatadine HCl (Patanol®) Pemirolast Potassium (Alamast®)	

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	<b>Glaucoma Agents</b>			
	Intraocular Pressure (IOP)	Betaxolol	Apraclonidine (Generic; Iopidine®)	
	Reducers	Betaxolol (Betoptic S®)	Bimatoprost (Lumigan 2.5ml; 5ml; 7.5ml®)	
		Brimonidine 0.15% (Alphagan P 0.15% - Brand Only)	Brimonidine 0.1% (Alphagan P 0.1%®)	
		Brimonidine 0.2% (Generic)	Brimonidine 0.15% (Generic only)	
		Brimonidine/Timolol (Combigan®)	Dorzolamide (Trusopt® - Brand Only)	
		Brimonidine/Azopt®	Dorzolamide/Timolol (Cosopt® - Brand Only)	
		Carteolol	Latanoprost (Xalatan® - Brand Only)	
		Dorzolamide (Generic only)	Levobunolol (Betagan® - Brand Only)	
		Dorzolamide/Timolol (Generic only)	Timolol (Timoptic®)	
		Latanoprost (Generic only)		
		Levobunolol (Generic only)		
		Metipranolol (Generic; Optipranolol®)		
		Pilocarpine		
		Timolol (Generic; Betimol®)		
		Timolol LA (Istalol®)		
		Travoprost (Travatan Z®)		
	<b>Ophthalmics, Antibiotic</b>			
		Besifloxacin (Besivance®)	Azithromycin (AzaSite®)	
		Ciprofloxacin Ointment (Ciloxan®)	Bacitracin	
		Ciprofloxacin Solution (Generic)	Bacitracin/Polymyxin B Ointment	
		Erythromycin	Gatifloxacin 0.5% (Zymaxid®)	
		Garamycin Drops	Levofloxacin (Generic; Iquix; Quixin®)	
		Garamycin Ointment	Natamycin (Natacyn®)	
		Gatifloxacin 0.3% (Zymar®)	Neomycin-Polymyxin-Gramacidin	
		Gentamicin Drops	Ofloxacin Solution (Ocuflox® - Brand Only)	
		Gentamicin Ointment		
		Moxifloxacin (Moxeza; Vigamox®)		
		Neomycin-Polymyxin-Bacitracin Ointment		
		Ofloxacin Solution (Generic Only)		
		Polymyxin B/Trimethoprim (Generic; Polyttrim®)		
		Sulfacetamide (Generic; Bleph-10®)		
		Tobramycin (Generic; Tobrex®)		

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	Ophthalmics, Antibiotic- Steroid Combs	Gentamicin/Prednisolone (Pred-G;Pred-G S.O.P. *) Neomycin/Polymyxin B/Dexamethasone Sulfacetamide/Prednisolone Ointment (Blephamide S.O.P. *) Sulfacetamide/Prednisolone Solution (Generic; Blephamide*) Tobramycin/Dexamethasone Ointment (Tobradex*) Tobramycin/Dexamethasone Suspension (Tobradex*) Tobramycin/Loteprednol (Zylet*)	Neomycin/Polymyxin B/Hydrocortisone Neomycin/Bacitracin/Polymyxin B/Hydrocortisone Tobramycin/Dexamethasone Suspension (Generic) Tobramycin/Dexamethasone ST (Tobradex ST*)	
	Ophthalmics, Anti-Inflammatories	Dexamethasone (Generic; Maxidex*) Diclofenac Fluorometholone 0.1% Ointment (FML S.O.P. *) Fluorometholone 0.1% Suspension (Generic) Fluorometholone 0.25% Suspension (FML Forte*) Flurbiprofen Loteprednol Drops (Lotemax*) Loteprednol Ointment (Lotemax*) Prednisolone Acetate 0.12% Solution (Generic; Pred Mild*) Prednisolone Acetate 1% (Generic)	Bromfenac (Generic; Bromday; Xibrom*) Difluprednate (Durezol*) Fluorometholone 0.1% Suspension (FML* - Brand Only) Fluorometholone Acetate 0.1% Solution (Flarex*) Ketorolac (Generic; Acular*) Ketorolac LS (Generic; Acular LS*) Ketorolac (Acuvail*) Nepafenac (Nevanac*) Prednisolone Acetate 1% (Pred Forte*) Prednisolone Sodium Phosphate Rimexolone (Vexol*)	
19	OPIATE DEPENDENCE AGENTS	Buprenorphine/Naloxone FilmTab (Suboxone*) Buprenorphine/Naloxone Subling Tab (Suboxone*)	Buprenorphine Subling Tab (Generic) Buprenorphine Subling Tab (Subutex*)	
20	OTIC AGENTS			
	Otic Antibiotics	Ciprofloxacin/Dexamethasone (Ciprodex*) Neomycin/Polymyxin/HC (Generic; Cortisporin*) Ofloxacin (Generic; Floxin*)	Ciprofloxacin (Cetraxal OTC*) Ciprofloxacin/Hydrocortisone (Cipro HC OTC*) Neomycin/Colistin/Thonzonium/HC (Coly-Mycin S*) Neomycin/Colistin/Thonzonium/HC (Cortisporin TC*)	

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	Otic Anti-infectives and Anesthetics	Acetic Acid Acetic Acid/Aluminum Antipyrine/Benzocaine Benzocaine (Pinnacaine*) Chloroxylenol/Pramoxine Chloroxylenol/Pramoxine (Pramotic*) Pramoxine HC	Acetic Acid/HC Antipyrine/Benzocaine/Policosanol (Otic Care*) Antipyrine/Benzocaine/Zinc (Neotic; Otozin*) Chloroxylenol/Benzocaine/Hydrocortisone (Myoxin; Trioxin*) Chloroxylenol/Pramoxine/Zinc/Glycerine (Zinotic; Zinotic ES*)	
21	OSTEOPOROSIS Bone Resorption Suppression Agents	Alendronate Calcitonin-Salmon Nasal (Miacalcin*)	Alendronate Solution (Fosamax Solution*) Alendronate/Vit D (Fosamax Plus D*) Calcitonin-Salmon Nasal (Fortical*) Calcitonin - Salmon Nasal (Generics) Etidronate Disodium (Generics) Etidronate (Didronel*) Ibandronate Sodium (Boniva*) Raloxifene (Evista*) Risendronate (Actonel*) Risendronate DR (Atelvia*) Teriparatide Subcutaneous (Forteo*)	
22	PAIN MANAGEMENT Analgesics/Anesthetic, Topical	Diclofenac Sodium Gel (Voltaren*) Lidocaine Patch (Lidoderm*)	Diclofenac Epolamine Patch (Flector*) Diclofenac Sodium (Pennisaid*)	

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	Analgesics, Narcotics Short Acting	Acetaminophen w/Codeine	Fentanyl Buccal (Generics)	
		Butalbital Compound with Codeine	Fentanyl Buccal (Fentora®)	
		Codeine	Fentanyl Buccal (Onsolis®)	
		Dihydrocodeine Bitartrate/Acetaminophen/Caffeine (Generics)	Fentanyl Sublingual (Abstral®)	
		Dihydrocodeine Bitartrate/Acetaminophen/Caffeine (Trexix®)	Hydrocodone/Acetaminophen (Hycet®)	
		Hydrocodone/Acetaminophen	Hydrocodone/Acetaminophen (Zamcet®)	
		Hydrocodone/Ibuprofen	Hydrocodone/Acetaminophen (Zolvit®)	
		Hydromorphone	Hydrocodone/Ibuprofen (Ibudone®)	
		Meperidine	Hydrocodone/Ibuprofen (Reprexain®)	
		Morphine IR	Hydromorphone Liquid (Dilaudid®)	
		Oxycodone	Opium Tincture	
		Oxycodone/Acetaminophen	Oxymorphone	
		Oxycodone w/Aspirin	Oxymorphone IR (Opana®)	
		Oxycodone/Ibuprofen	Tapentadol (Nucynta®)	
		Pentazocine/Acetaminophen	Tramadol ODT (Rybix ODT®)	
		Pentazocine/Naloxone		
		Tramadol		
		Tramadol/Acetaminophen		
	Analgesics, Narcotics Long Acting	Fentanyl Transdermal	Buprenorphine Transdermal (Butrans®)	
		Fentanyl Transdermal (Duragesic Matrix)	Hydromorphone ER (Exalgo®)	
		Methadone HCL	Morphine Sulfate ER (Avinza®)	
		Morphine Sulfate ER (Kadian®)	Morphine Sulfate ER/Naltrexone (Embeda®)	
		Morphine Sulfate ER (Generic)	Oxycodone ER	
			Oxycodone ER (OxyContin®)	
			Oxycodone Reformulated (OxyContin Reformulated®)	
			Oxymorphone ER (Opana ER®)	
			Tramadol ER	
			Tramadol ER (Ryzolt®)	
			Tramadol ER (Ultram ER®)	

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	Nonsteroidal Anti-Inflammatory (NSAIDs)	Diclofenac Potassium Oral (Generic)	Celecoxib (Celebrex®)	
		Diclofenac Sodium Oral (Generic)	Diclofenac/Misoprostol (Arthrotec®)	
		Esomeprazole/Naproxen (Vimovo®)	Diclofenac Potassium (Zipsor®)	
		Etodolac	Diclofenac SR	
		Flurbiprofen	Diffunisal (Generic; Dolobid®)	
		Ibuprofen Rx Suspension (Generic)	Etodolac SR	
		Ibuprofen Rx Tablet (Generic)	Fenoprofen (Generic; Nalfon®)	
		Indomethacin Capsule (Generic only)	Indomethacin Rectal (Indocin®)	
		Indomethacin Suspension (Indocin®)	Indomethacin ER Capsule (Generic)	
		Ketoprofen	Ketoprofen ER	
		Ketorolac	Ketorolac Nasal Spray (Sprix®)	
		Meloxicam Suspension (Mobic® Brand Only)	Meclofenamate	
		Meloxicam Tablet (Generic only)	Mefenamic Acid (Generic; Ponstel®)	
		Naproxen EC (Generic only)	Meloxicam Suspension (Generic only)	
		Naproxen Sodium	Meloxicam Tablet (Mobic® Brand Only)	
		Naproxen Suspension (Generic only)	Nabumetone	
		Naproxen Tablet (Generic only)	Naproxen EC (Naprosyn® - Brand Only)	
		Oxaprozin	Naproxen Suspension (Naprosyn® - Brand Only)	
		Piroxicam (Generic; Feldene®)	Naproxen Tablet (Naprosyn® - Brand Only)	
		Sulindac	Naproxen 500mg (Naprelan®)	
			Tolmetin Capsule	
			Tolmetin Tablet	



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	Antimigraine Agents, Triptans	Eletriptan (Relpax®) Sumatriptan (Imitrex® Injection) – Brand only Sumatriptan (Imitrex® Nasal) – Brand only Sumatriptan (Oral – Generic only)	Almotriptan (Axert®) Diclofenac (Cambia®) Frovatriptan (Frova®) Naratriptan Rizatriptan (Maxalt®) Rizatriptan (Maxalt MLT®) Sumatriptan Injection – Generic only Sumatriptan Nasal – Generic only Sumatriptan (Imitrex Oral) – Brand only Sumatriptan/Naproxen (Treximet®) Zolmitriptan (Zomig®) Zolmitriptan (Zomig ZMT®) Zolmitriptan (Zomig® Nasal)	
	Skeletal Muscle Relaxants	Baclofen Chlorzoxazone Cyclobenzaprine Methocarbamol Tizanidine (generics)	Carisoprodol Carisoprodol Compound Carisoprodol (Soma 250 mg®) Cyclobenzaprine (Flexmid®) Cyclobenzaprine ER (Amrix®) Dantrolene Sodium Metaxalone Orphenadrine Orphenadrine Compound Tizanidine (Zanaflex®)	
	Cytokine and CAM Antagonists	Adalimumab Injection (Humira II Kit; Humira Kit®) Certolizumab Pegol (Cimzia Kit; Syringe Kit®) Etanercept Injection (Enbrel Kit; Pen; Disp Syringe®)	Abatacept (Orencia Injection; Orencia Sub-Q®) Alefacept Injection (Amevive®) Anakinra Injection (Kineret®) Golimumab (Simponi Pen; Disp Syringe®) Infliximab Injection (Remicade®) Tocilizumab (Actemra®)	

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23	PARKINSON'S			
	Antiparkinson Agents -	Bentropine	Bromocriptine	
	Anticholinergic and Other	Carbidopa/ Levodopa	Carbidopa/ Levodopa ER (Sinemet CR® - Brand Only)	
		Carbidopa/ Levodopa ER (Generic Only)	Carbidopa/ Levodopa ODT	
		Levodopa/Carbidopa/Entacapone (Stalevo®)	Entacapone (Comtan®)	
		Pramipexole (Generic)	Pramipexole (Mirapex®)	
		Ropinirole (Generic Only)	Pramipexole ER (Mirapex ER®)	
		Selegiline Tablet (Generic)	Rasagiline (Azilect®)	
		Trihexyphenidyl Elixir	Ropinirole (Requip® - Brand Only)	
		Trihexyphenidyl Tablet	Ropinirole ER (Requip XL®)	
			Selegiline Capsule	
			Selegiline (Zelapar®)	
			Tolcapone (Tasmar®)	
24	SEDATIVE/HYPNOTICS			
		Chloral Hydrate Syrup	Chloral Hydrate (Somnote®)	
		Temazepam (Generic)	Doxepin (Silenor®)	
		Triazolam (Generic Only)	Eszazolam	
		Zaleplon (Generic Only)	Eszopiclone (Lunesta®)	
		Zolpidem (Generic Only)	Flurazepam	
			Quazepam (Doral®)	
			Ramelteon (Rozerem®)	
			Temazepam (Restoril®)	
			Temazepam 7.5mg (Generic; Restoril®)	
			Temazepam 22.5mg (Generic; Restoril®)	
			Triazolam (Halcion® - Brand Only)	
			Zaleplon (Sonata - Brand Only)	
			Zolpidem (Ambien® - Brand Only)	
			Zolpidem Sublingual (Ecluar; Zolpimist®)	
			Zolpidem ER (Generic; Ambien CR®)	

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25	UROLOGY			
	INCONTINENCE			
	Bladder Relaxant Preparations	Fesoterodine Fumarate (Toviaz®)	Darifenacin (EENABLEX®)	
		Oxybutynin	Oxybutynin ER	
		Solifenacin (VESICARE®)	Oxybutynin Gel (Gelnique Transdermal®)	
			Oxybutynin Transdermal (Oxytrol®)	
			Tolterodine (Detrol®)	
			Tolterodine ER (Detrol LA®)	
			Trospium	
			Trospium XR (Sanctura XR®)	
26	SMOKING CESSATION PRODUCTS			
	Smoking Cessation	Bupropion SR	Nicotine Inhaler (Nicotrol Inhaler®)	
		Nicotine Gum Buccal (Generic; Nicorette®)	Nicotine Lozenges OTC Buccal	
		Nicotine Lozenges (Nicorette Lozenges®)	Nicotine Lozenges OTC Mucous Membrane	
		Nicotine Transdermal (Generic Only)	Nicotine Nasal Spray (Nicotrol Nasal Spray®)	
			Nicotine Transdermal (Nicoderm CQ® - Brand Only)	
			Varenicline Dose Pack (Chantix Dose Pack®)	
			Varenicline Tablet (Chantix Tablet®)	
27	PROSTATE			
	Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia Treatment (BPH)	Alfuzosin (Uroxatral®)	Doxazosin XL (Cardura XL®)	
		Doxazosin	Dutasteride (Avodart®)	
		Finasteride	Dutasteride/Tamsulosin (Ialyn®)	
		Tamsulosin	Sildenafil (Rapaflo®)	
		Terazosin		



# Louisiana Medicaid Preferred Drug List Program Overview and Program Results

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## **OVERVIEW**

The Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals (LDHH) preferred drug list (PDL) program has been in operation since 2002 by Provider Synergies, L.L.C. Provider Synergies is an affiliate of Magellan Medicaid Administration, Inc.

Louisiana is entering the sixth year as one of eight states participating in the multi-state purchasing program, The Optimal PDL Solution (TOP\$). Louisiana was one of three states that initially participated in the multi-state purchasing pool, TOP\$, in 2005. The eight states now participating in the multistate purchasing program (TOP\$) are Louisiana, Maryland, Delaware, Idaho, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, Nebraska, and Connecticut.

This review summarizes the results of the PDL program for fiscal year 2010-2011 and the first two quarters of fiscal year 2011-2012.

### **I. MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS IN FY 2010-2011**

In March 2010, President Obama signed the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and the Health Care and Education Affordability Reconciliation Act of 2010, together known as the Affordable Care Act (ACA), into law. The ACA included stipulations that had a significant impact on both Federal and Supplemental Medicaid drug rebates.

#### **Background**

- Provider Synergies' and Magellan Medicaid Administration clients use a wholesale average cost (WAC)-based Guaranteed Net Unit Price (GNUP) formula for the calculation of supplemental rebates

$$\text{WAC} - \text{Federal Rebate} - \text{GNUP} = \text{Supplemental Rebate}$$

- In this formula, there is an inverse relationship between the Federal and supplemental rebates.
  - As the Federal rebate rates increase, the Supplemental rebate rates decrease by an equal but opposite amount.
- Our model focuses on the net/net cost of drugs (net of both Federal and Supplemental rebates) in order to provide the most cost-effective Preferred Drug List (PDL) to our clients.
  - Our supplemental rebate contracts afford price protection to States against manufacturer's price increases over time via the guaranteed net unit price (GNUP) contract.
  - Fluctuations in drug prices then only affect how the total rebate is divided between the Federal and State governments.

The following changes mandated by the ACA are effective retroactive to January 1, 2010:<sup>1</sup>

- The minimum Federal Rebate for single source and innovator multiple source drugs increases from 15.1 to 23.1 percent.
- The Federal Rebate for generic drugs increases from 11 to 13 percent.
- The minimum Federal Rebate for clotting factors and outpatient drugs approved exclusively for pediatric indications increases to 17.1%.<sup>2,3</sup>

- The Federal Rebate for line extensions of oral solid dosage forms (such as extended release versions) will now be set at the highest Federal Rebate of any strength of the original dosage form.
- The Federal Rebate is now capped at 100% of AMP (average manufacturer's price).
- ACA states that the additional Federal rebates for branded drugs and generic drugs are returned to the Federal government without sharing with the states.

### Analysis

Due to the increase in the CMS base rebate, Supplemental Rebates have declined. This decline in Supplemental Rebates is due to the inverse relationship between Federal and Supplemental Rebates in our Guaranteed Net Unit Price (GNUP) contracts.

Despite increases in CMS rebates, due to the reduction in supplemental rebates and the offset of Federal rebates, states have experienced an estimated total reduction in rebates of approximately 4.8%.

ACA initially had a significant and immediate impact on states' shares of rebates. Magellan Medicaid Administration and Provider Synergies have observed that the negative impact on supplemental rebates has been somewhat negated by competition in the pharmaceutical marketplace and expanded Medicaid enrollment encourages manufacturers to offer Supplemental Rebates to ensure the positioning of their drug products on Medicaid PDLs.

CMS initially released Federal Rebates values under ACA in May 2011. Prior to that time, manufacturers performed their own estimated calculations and submitted estimated payments for Federal and Supplemental rebate amounts.

## II. SAVINGS METHODOLOGY

There are two ways that Louisiana derives savings from the Preferred Drug List: (1) Supplemental Rebates and (2) Market Shift savings. Both types of savings are listed in the quarterly savings reports that are sent to LDHH.

- a. **Supplemental Rebates = (Supplemental Rebate Per Unit x Number of units dispensed)**

Supplemental Rebate per Unit is calculated in accordance with the supplemental rebates offered for products (identified by 11 digit NDC) that are included on the PDL.

The predominant calculation type that manufacturers may use is called a "Guaranteed Net Unit Price" or "GNUP." GNUP calculations are different from total percent offers because they protect the state from price increases through manufacturer price guarantees. If the manufacturer increases its price, it makes up the price increase penny for penny in additional rebates. For example, if the manufacturer offered a GNUP of \$0.60 per unit, its federal rebate was \$0.25 and the AWP of the product was \$1.00, the manufacturer would pay a \$0.15 supplemental rebate. Should the manufacturer then increase its price to \$1.10, the rebate

liability would also increase, from \$0.40 to \$0.50 (i.e. \$1.10 - \$0.60). The supplemental rebate would increase from \$0.15 to \$0.25.

**b. Market Shift Savings = Total Savings – Supplemental Rebates**

"Market Shift Savings" occur when a patient on a product not included on the PDL changes therapy to a preferred medication that is less expensive. Essentially, this is a measure of cost avoidance for the Medicaid program.

For example, suppose that a non-preferred medication costs the Louisiana Medicaid program \$40 per prescription (after all rebates are applied), and the physician changes a recipient's drug regimen to replace that medication with one on the PDL that costs \$30 per prescription (again, after application of all rebates). As a result of the change, the Medicaid program saves \$10 each time the recipient receives the new prescription versus incurring the additional cost had the patient not changed drugs.

In some cases, products are placed on the PDL and generate savings even without offering a supplemental rebate. This situation occurs either because the product is less expensive or because it has a large federal rebate that renders the net price paid by LDHH lower than the cost of competing therapies.

Market Shift Savings for each class are calculated for each drug name in the class, and then summed for the class total. Total Savings is the sum of Market Shift Savings and Supplemental Rebate Savings.

**c. PDL Performance report (cost avoidance) for the LDHH PDL Program**

Starting with FY 2009, Provider Synergies began a new methodology of reporting cost avoidance or PDL performance for the Preferred Drug List (PDL) Program. This change enabled us to provide reporting capability in reconciling cost avoidance projections made in our bi-annual Pharmaceutical and Therapeutics committee PDL review process.

The cost sheets are developed for the scheduled therapeutic categories prior to each Pharmaceutical and Therapeutics (P&T) meeting. Each therapeutic category is reviewed annually at one of two meetings. Cost sheets incorporate actual utilization of prescriptions, total cost paid by state, federal rebate amounts, maximum allowable cost (MAC) pricing, Federal Upper Limit (FUL) pricing, and offers for supplemental rebates. Estimation of market share shifts and the impact of drugs being ON the PDL or requiring prior authorization are included in the analysis.

The PDL Performance report derives cost avoidance from calculating the projected spend without the PDL for each therapeutic category (from the cost sheet) minus the sum of cost avoidance from market shifts and savings from supplemental rebates. The difference between the projected spend without the PDL and the projected spend with the PDL results in Total Savings with Recommendations; this is calculated for each therapeutic category. The Total Savings with Recommendations represents the projected cost avoidance from both the market share shifts and the supplemental rebates.



Variances between the projected savings on the cost sheets and the actual savings may include changes in volume, differences in market share shifts than expected, changes in manufacturer pricing not guaranteed by contract and adjustments to maximum allowable cost (MAC) program, clinical issues that develop with one or more products within a class, and launch of new branded or generic products, or removal of drugs from the market. New drugs, both branded and generic products, are incorporated into the report as utilization occurs, because they can have considerable impact on market share.

In summary, savings from the PDL program are generated through supplemental rebates and the movement of market share from higher cost products to lower cost, preferred products.

### **III. REVIEW OF MAJOR THERAPEUTIC CLASSES**

The following is a summary of the major therapeutic classes that generate a significant amount of savings for the PDL program. Hepatitis C Agents are included also.

#### **Antipsychotics**

The year 2005 marked the first time that LDHH selected preferred drugs within the atypical antipsychotic medications. This class represents the largest single class of expenditures within the Medicaid drug budget. The majority of the cost avoidance for this class is generated by the market share shift to the lower cost preferred agents.

At the P&T meeting in August 2009, the first generation antipsychotics and the injectable antipsychotics were reviewed within the PDL program for the first time. The preferred agents for the PDL published October 1, 2009 were the generic first generation antipsychotics, Fazaclo<sup>®</sup>, Seroquel<sup>®</sup>, Seroquel<sup>®</sup> XR, risperidone, oral Geodon<sup>®</sup> and injectable Geodon<sup>®</sup>. Overall utilization increased for this category due to the expanding FDA-approved indications and populations eligible for treatment with the Antipsychotics. In 2010, Saphris<sup>®</sup> and Risperdal<sup>®</sup> Consta were added to the PDL. At the April 2011 P&T meeting, Latuda<sup>®</sup> was reviewed as a new drug and was listed as non-preferred.

SAVINGS: In FY 2010-2011, the net price of risperidone generic fell significantly and was the lowest cost atypical antipsychotic in the class. The estimated average cost per prescription has been trending downward steadily to \$150 per prescription in the last quarter of FY 2010 and trending downward to \$130 per prescription in early 2011. Total cost avoidance for this class in FY2010-2011 was approximately \$90,000 due to the negative impact of the high cost of risperidone generic in the first two quarters of the fiscal year. The first two quarters of FY 2011-2012 have estimated savings for the Antipsychotics class of about \$8,000.

#### **Stimulants and Related Agents**

Stimulants and Related Agents are used for the treatment of Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorders and Narcolepsy. New entries to the market over the past two years included Nuvigil<sup>®</sup> (armodafinil), Kapvay<sup>™</sup> (clonidine extended release), and Intuniv<sup>®</sup> (guanfacine ER). At the February 2010 P&T meeting, Intuniv<sup>®</sup> (guanfacine ER) was recommended as preferred; market share has quickly grown to over 8 percent of the class. High cost generics for Adderall XR<sup>®</sup> (amphetamine salt combo extended release) continue to increase the cost of treatment for

ADHD. Drug shortages with the generic amphetamine salt combo extended release occurred during 2010 while brand Adderall XR<sup>®</sup> remained available.

SAVINGS: Total cost avoidance for the Stimulants and related agents for FY 2010-2011 was over \$12.5 million. The first two quarters of FY 2011-2012 have estimated savings for the Stimulants and Related Agents class of about \$9.56 million.

#### Glucocorticoids, Inhaled

Glucocorticoids, Inhaled, also called Inhaled Corticosteroids, are generally used in the management of asthma and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. The class included only branded agents until the sporadic release of the generic for Pulmicort<sup>®</sup> Respules over the last couple of years.

Over the last two years, Pulmicort<sup>®</sup> Respules, a product exclusively for children ages 1 to 8 years, had a generic product enter and leave the US market. Pulmicort<sup>®</sup> Respules are available to children 8 years and younger without prior authorization in Louisiana. Pulmicort<sup>®</sup> Respules or the generic equivalent require prior authorization for patients ages 9 years and older. The shifting of market share from brand to generic resulted in increased costs due to the high cost of the generic; most recently, the utilization is mostly the brand Pulmicort<sup>®</sup> Respules rather than the generic product. For the PDL published in October 2009, the preferred agents were Qvar<sup>®</sup>, Symbicort<sup>®</sup>, Aerobid<sup>®</sup> and Aerobid<sup>®</sup> M, Flovent<sup>®</sup> and Flovent<sup>®</sup> HFA, Advair<sup>®</sup> Diskus and HFA, and Azmacort<sup>®</sup>. Non-preferred agents were Asmanex<sup>™</sup> and Alvesco<sup>®</sup>, a new market entry. In FY 2010-2011, the preferred medications included Qvar<sup>®</sup>, Symbicort<sup>®</sup>, Aerobid<sup>®</sup> and Aerobid<sup>®</sup> M, Flovent<sup>®</sup> and Flovent<sup>®</sup> HFA, Advair<sup>®</sup> Diskus and HFA, and Asmanex<sup>™</sup>. Azmacort left the market. Aerobid<sup>®</sup> and Aerobid<sup>®</sup> M also left the market in June 2011. Dulera, a new combination product similar to Advair<sup>®</sup> Diskus / Advair<sup>®</sup> HFA and Symbicort<sup>®</sup>, was reviewed at the April 2011 meeting and was recommended as non-preferred.

SAVINGS: In FY 2010, the cost avoidance total for the Glucocorticoids, Inhaled was \$1.3 million. The first two quarters of FY 2011-2012 have estimated savings for the Glucocorticoids, Inhaled class of about \$460,000.

#### Cephalosporins and Related Agents

The Cephalosporins and Related Agents treat a number of common infections, and selection of a particular agent to treat a specific infection is often empirical and without the availability of microbiology culture and sensitivity data of the pathogen. The cephalosporins class consists of mostly generic products with a few branded exceptions including Ceftin<sup>®</sup> suspension, Suprax<sup>®</sup>, and Cedax<sup>®</sup>. At the August 2010 P&T meeting, preferred agents included cephalexin, cefuroxime tablets, cefadroxil, amoxicillin/clavulanate tablets and suspension, cefprozil, and Suprax<sup>®</sup>. Non-preferred agents included high cost generics such as cefdinir, cefpodoxime, cefaclor, cefditoren (new generic for Spectracef<sup>®</sup>), and amoxicillin/clavulanate XR (the new generic for Augmentin<sup>®</sup> XR).

SAVINGS: Savings for the Cephalosporins and Related Agents class consist of both market share movement to lower cost generic preferred agents and from the accrual of supplemental

rebates. For FY 2010-2011, cost avoidance due to market shift savings and supplemental rebates totaled \$9.6 million for the Cephalosporins and Related Agents. The first two quarters of FY 2011-2012 have estimated savings for the Cephalosporins and Related Agents class of \$3.68 million.

#### Proton Pump Inhibitors (PPI)

The proton pump inhibitor class has generated the most savings to date of any of the classes reviewed. At the start of FY 2009, Nexium<sup>®</sup> and Prevacid<sup>®</sup> were the two preferred PPIs. The generic for Prevacid<sup>®</sup> (lansoprazole) entered the market in November 2009. The cost of the new Prevacid<sup>®</sup> generic, lansoprazole, was much higher than the other products in the class and was recommended as non-preferred at the February 2010 P&T meeting. Omeprazole, the generic for Prilosec<sup>®</sup>, was added to the preferred drug list at the February 2010 meeting. Omeprazole generic historically had a high cost, but pricing has significantly decreased. Nexium<sup>®</sup> remained a preferred agent in FY 2010-2011. At the April 2011 P&T meeting, the preferred agents for this class remained omeprazole and Nexium<sup>®</sup>.

SAVINGS: For FY 2009, the savings for the PPI category were \$8 million. In FY 2010, the savings for the PPI category totaled \$4.7 million. Prevacid<sup>®</sup> became available as a generic in November 2009; savings were negatively impacted in the third and fourth quarter of FY 2010 because of the arrival of the higher cost generic, lansoprazole, for Prevacid<sup>®</sup>. Additionally, the market share shifted to higher cost generic lansoprazole which negatively impacted savings. Total cost avoidance for the Proton Pump Inhibitors in FY 2010-2011 was \$1.5 million. The first two quarters of FY 2011-2012 have estimated savings for the Proton Pump Inhibitors class of \$678,000.

#### Analgesics, Narcotics

Narcotic Analgesics category consists of agents which are long-acting for chronic pain management and short-acting analgesics which are typically used for acute pain. At the February 2010 meeting, fentanyl transdermal (generic) was recommended as preferred; Duragesic<sup>®</sup> branded product was recommended as non-preferred in the Long-Acting Narcotic Analgesics class. Embeda<sup>®</sup>, a morphine ER product with features to reduce abuse, was first reviewed at the February 2010 meeting; however, it was not been proven to reduce abuse. The P&T committee reviewed Embeda and recommended Embeda to be non-preferred. In March 2011, Embeda<sup>®</sup> was removed from the market. Ryzolt<sup>™</sup>, a new long acting form of tramadol, was also recommended as non-preferred. At the April 2011 P&T meeting, both fentanyl transdermal generic and Duragesic<sup>®</sup> branded were preferred with morphine ER, methadone, and Kadian<sup>®</sup>. Despite the large number of preferred products, PDL compliance rates for the long-acting narcotics analgesics remain relatively low compared to many other PDL classes. Oxycontin<sup>®</sup> continues to maintain significant market share despite the non-preferred status.

For the February 2010 review of the short-acting Narcotic Analgesics, all generic agents are recommended as preferred with the exception of fentanyl buccal (for Actiq<sup>®</sup>). Branded short-acting narcotic analgesics were recommended as non-preferred with the exception of Repraxain<sup>™</sup>. At the April 2011 P&T meeting, additional non-preferred agents included several

branded products (Zolvit™, Reprexain™, Hycet®, Abstral®) and oxymorphone (a new generic for Opana®).

SAVINGS: The cost avoidance savings generated for FY 2010-2011 were over \$211,000.

While switching among brand and generic forms of a drug moves market share, the goal and desired result is to maintain costs as low as feasible for similar products. Very little has changed in the PDL recommendations for the Short Acting Narcotics since most products are generic. The PDL has effectively limited the growth in market share of the expensive brand products for the last three years. For the Short-Acting Narcotic Analgesics, the average net cost per prescription was \$22 for FY 2009 and dropped to under \$16 for FY 2010-2011.

The first two quarters of FY 2011-2012 have estimated savings for the Narcotic Analgesics class of \$550,000.

### Leukotriene Modifiers

The National Asthma Education and Prevention Program (NAEPP) and Global Initiative for Asthma (GINA) guidelines recommend inhaled corticosteroids as the cornerstone for the treatment of asthma while leukotriene modifiers are included as potential alternatives or add-on therapy in patients with mild persistent asthma and in some patients with aspirin-sensitive asthma.<sup>4</sup> Leukotriene Modifiers are also used as add-on therapy in patients receiving inhaled corticosteroids to reduce the dose of the inhaled corticosteroids in patients with moderate to severe asthma and to potentially improve asthma control in patients whose asthma is not controlled with low or high doses of inhaled corticosteroids. In the NAEPP and GINA guidelines, leukotriene modifiers may be used as controller treatment in asthma, particularly in children ages zero to four years.<sup>5,6</sup> However, in adults and adolescents over 12 years of age and children ages five to 11 years, leukotriene modifiers are not the preferred adjunctive therapy to inhaled corticosteroids compared to the addition of long-acting inhaled beta<sub>2</sub>-agonists according to NAEPP. Leukotriene Modifiers consist of Singulair®, Accolate®, and Zylflo CR. Preferred agents for the past several years are Singulair® and Accolate®. Zylflo® CR is non-preferred. Despite the Leukotriene Modifiers being second or third line in the management of asthma, utilization has risen over the last two years.

SAVINGS: In FY 2010, total cost avoidance savings for the Leukotriene Modifiers was \$57,000. The first two quarters of FY 2011-2012 have resulted in an increased net spend for the Leukotriene Modifiers class of about \$7,000.

### Beta Agonist Bronchodilators

The Beta Agonist Bronchodilators are important in the management of acute symptoms of asthma and asthma control. At the August 2010 P&T meeting, the recommended preferred agents included albuterol (oral and nebulizer inhalation solution), Maxair®, ProAir® HFA, Proventil® HFA, Ventolin® HFA, terbutaline (oral), and Xopenex® nebulizer solution.

SAVINGS: For FY 2010-2010, the cost avoidance savings totaled \$3.8 million. The first two quarters of FY 2011-2012 have estimated savings for the Beta Agonist Bronchodilators class of nearly \$814,000.

### Antidepressants, Others and Selective Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitors (SSRIs)

Antidepressants includes two major subclasses – the Selective Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitors (SSRIs) and the Other Antidepressants.

The majority of the SSRIs Antidepressants are now available as generics. In August 2010, the preferred agents for the SSRIs included citalopram, fluoxetine, sertraline, paroxetine, fluvoxamine, and Lexapro<sup>®</sup>. Non-preferred SSRIs effective October 1, 2010 included paroxetine CR (for Paxil<sup>®</sup> CR), fluoxetine weekly (for Prozac<sup>®</sup> Weekly), Luvox<sup>®</sup> CR, and Pexeva<sup>™</sup>.

For the Other Antidepressants in FY 2010-2011, the preferred agents included bupropion immediate-release (IR) and sustained-release (SR), mirtazapine, trazodone, and venlafaxine ER tablets. Non-preferred antidepressants included Aplenzin<sup>®</sup>, bupropion XL (generic for Wellbutrin<sup>®</sup> XL), Pristiq<sup>®</sup>, Cymbalta<sup>®</sup>, nefazodone, Emsam<sup>®</sup>, Effexor<sup>®</sup> XR, and venlafaxine IR. PDL Compliance averages approximately 55-58 percent for the Other Antidepressants category.

SAVINGS: The total cost avoidance savings for FY 2009 was \$2 million for the Antidepressants. For FY 2010, the cost avoidance savings for Antidepressants classes was \$1.7 million. In the past year, Effexor XR became available as an expensive generic and negatively impacted savings for this class. The first two quarters of FY 2011-2012 have estimated savings for the Antidepressant classes of \$80,000.

### Hepatitis C Agents

In August 2005, the P&T committee first reviewed this class. In general, hepatitis C treatment requires combination therapy of a peginterferon and ribavirin for 24 to 48 weeks. Preferred agents since February 2007 have included PEG-Intron<sup>®</sup>, PEG-Intron<sup>®</sup> Redipen, Pegasys<sup>®</sup>, and ribavirin (generic). In February 2010, the preferred agents recommended were Pegasys<sup>®</sup>, which had the largest market share of the peginterferons, and ribavirin (generic). PEG-Intron<sup>®</sup> and PEG-Intron<sup>®</sup> Redipen required prior authorization effective April 1, 2010.

In the Spring of 2011, two new oral protease inhibitors, Incivek<sup>®</sup> and Victrelis<sup>®</sup>, were approved by the FDA. These two agents are used in combination with peginterferon and ribavirin for triple combination therapy.

SAVINGS: For FY 2009, the cost avoidance totaled \$387,000 for the Hepatitis C agents. For FY 2010, the cost avoidance was \$455,000. The first two quarters of FY 2011-2012 have estimated savings for the Hepatitis C Agents class of about \$210,000. Costs for this drug class will increase significantly as the cost of the new oral protease inhibitors can range from \$30,000 to \$40,000 per patient per treatment course.

### Number of Therapeutic Classes Reviewed

The Pharmaceutical and Therapeutics (P&T) Committee reviewed a total of 57 classes in FY 2008. In FY 2009 and FY 2010, the number of classes reviewed by the P&T committee was 68 classes each year. While the number remained constant, two new classes were the Antihyperuricemics and the Tetracyclines, Oral in 2009. For FY 2010-2011, the P&T Committee reviewed 73 classes at the August 2010 and April 2011 meetings.

### PDL Compliance

PDL Compliance is the percentage of the number of dispensed prescriptions that are preferred divided by the total number of dispensed prescriptions that are subject to the PDL. In FY 2009, the PDL compliance rate was 92.3 percent. For FY 2010-2011, the PDL compliance rate was 89.4 percent. For the first two quarters of FY 2011-2012, the PDL Compliance average rate was 90.3 percent.

## **IV. REPORTED SAVINGS FY 2009-2010 AND FY 2010-2011**

- a. Factors affecting the PDL program in FY 2009 – FY 2012: United States Health Care Reform

As noted in Section I (Major Developments in FY 2010-2011) on the first page, the 8% increase in the Federal rebate on the majority of single source brand drugs and 2% on generics, an increase that is exempted from State FMAP (Federal Medical Assistance Percentage) regulations, reduced State Medicaid supplemental rebate dollars initially for those drugs under contract starting in January 1, 2010.

- b. Savings Results

In FY 2009-2010, cost avoidance generated by the PDL program totaled \$46.4 million. For FY 2010 - 2011, the cost avoidance savings with the PDL program totaled \$40.5 million.

The ACA changes to the Federal Rebate program have negatively affected the accrual of supplemental rebates during years FY 2009-2010 and FY2010-2011.

**Table 1: Reported Savings by Quarter FY 2009 – 2010**

Savings Results FY 2009-2010			
Calendar Qtr	LA Fiscal Qtr	Quarterly Reported Savings	Comment
2Q09	Q110	\$ 12,408,970	Actual 2Q2009
3Q09	Q210	\$ 12,345,714	Actual 3Q2009
4Q09	Q310	\$ 13,893,704	Actual 4Q2009
1Q10	Q410	\$ 7,747,518	Reported 1Q2010 following use of mfg submitted estimated federal rebate amounts. Supplemental rebates were decreased due to changes in Federal Rebate amounts.
Totals		\$ 46,395,906	

**Table 2: Reported Savings by Quarter FY 2010 - 2011**

Savings Results FY 2010-2011			
Calendar Qtr	LA Fiscal Qtr	Quarterly Reported Savings	Comment
2Q10	Q111	\$ 11,014,745	Estimated 2Q2010 following use of mfg submitted estimated federal rebate amounts
3Q10	Q211	\$ 12,197,274	Estimated 3Q2010 following use of mfg submitted estimated federal rebate amounts
4Q10	Q311	\$ 8,979,028	Actual 4Q2010 (reflecting CMS federal rebates amounts under rebate rules established by ACA.)
1Q11	Q411	\$ 8,305,973	Actual 1Q2011 (reflecting CMS federal rebates amounts under rebate rules established by ACA.)
Totals		\$ 40,497,020	

**V. ESTIMATED SAVINGS FOR FY 2011-2012**

a. Factors affecting the PDL program in FY 2011-2012

i. New generic medications

In the next year, several medications are expected to become available as generics. Typically, generics are thought to be lower cost than branded medications. More often, the newly released generics are priced at a premium to the net-net cost of the branded medications in Medicaid.

The new higher cost generics will likely negatively impact the savings of the PDL program in the short term. Price erosion typically occurs over one year. Generics that are expected to be launched in the next year include: Lipitor<sup>®</sup> (atorvastatin), Seroquel<sup>®</sup> (quetiapine), Zyprexa<sup>®</sup> (olanzapine), and Lexapro<sup>®</sup> (escitalopram).

ii. Sun setting of Average Wholesale Price (AWP)

On March 30, 2009, the US District court of Massachusetts entered a final order and judgment approving the class action settlement that involved two major publishers of drug pricing information, First Data Bank (FDB) and Medi-Span. FDB ceased publication of AWP in September 2011. It will be necessary for the State to evaluate an alternative pricing methodology. A decision would likely impact drug pricing and may offer the State an opportunity for additional savings.

b. Savings estimates for FY 2011 – 2012 are a total of \$37.7 million.

**Table 3: Estimated Savings by Quarter FY 2011 - 2012**

Savings Projections FY 2012			
Calendar Qtr	LA Fiscal Qtr	Estimated Savings	Comment
2Q11	Q112	\$ 10,251,080	Actual 2Q2011
3Q11	Q212	\$ 9,304,850	Estimated 3Q2011. Projections may be impacted by list of factors below.
4Q11	Q312	\$ 8,979,028	Estimated 4Q2011. Projections may be impacted by list of factors below.
1Q12	Q412	\$ 9,149,293	Estimated 1Q2012. Projections may be impacted by list of factors below.
Total		\$ 37,684,251	

Actual savings may be different from projections due to following various factors: Medicaid expansion with eligibility. The percent of Federal share of the newly eligible population changes over several years. Drug utilization may change depending on the health of the newly eligible population. Large population changes as a result of economy, hurricanes or other disasters would have a potentially large effect on the population. If Pharmacy benefits program is placed into CCN programs, the smaller population in FFS would accrue less supplemental rebates. New drugs will enter the market – unforeseen impact on drug utilization and unknown participation in supplemental rebate program. Drugs may enter the market for diseases that are currently not treated. Recalculation of AMP and the changes in FUL calculation may have significant impact on pricing of drugs. The level of aggressiveness of a state MAC list can impact the number of branded drugs listed on the PDL. Fewer branded drugs or lower utilization of branded products will result in lower supplemental rebates. Limiting the number of branded products in a class would likely lower supplemental rebates for some drug classes or potentially for the whole PDL program. Change in savings reporting methodology. FMAP changes will impact the state's share of all rebates. New changes in Federal Medicaid rules and regulations regarding drug coverage, drug pricing or rebate programs may impact the savings estimates.

**VI. FEATURES OF THE LOUISIANA MEDICAID PDL THAT IMPACT SAVINGS**

**Strengths:** Louisiana participates in the multi-state purchasing pool and benefits from volume purchasing but maintains autonomy in PDL decisions. States receive in some cases better



offers for supplemental rebates as a part of the TOP\$ program compared to other single states soliciting for supplemental rebates.

**Weakness:** The feature of Louisiana's program that possibly affects savings to the greatest extent is the statutorily mandated continuity of care process. Under the continuity of care program, a patient whose prescription medication is non-preferred may continue to take the non-preferred medication for up to six months or five refills. While this approach has minimized the initial impact of the PDL on patients, usage has not shifted as quickly to preferred medications, and savings have not been realized as quickly as would otherwise have been possible.

The current PDL program allows new drugs to process without prior authorization until reviewed by the Pharmaceutical and Therapeutics Committee. New drugs gain market share quickly before the P&T Committee has an opportunity to review the data on the new drug. An evaluation of this process should be considered to determine if new drugs should require prior authorization prior to the P&T Committee's review of the safety and efficacy data.

## **VII. SUMMARY**

The Preferred Drug List generates cost savings in two ways. First, supplemental rebates are collected from pharmaceutical manufacturers for their inclusion as a preferred product. Secondly, by requiring a prior authorization (PA) on non-preferred products, claims are shifted from more expensive medications to less costly alternatives.

The LDHH PDL program continues to be extremely successful. Savings for FY 2009-2010 were \$46.4 million. Savings for FY 2010-2011 were \$40.5 million. For the first two quarters of FY 2011-2012, the savings are \$21 million with the estimated year end savings of \$37.7 million.

Similar to other states with competitive selection based PDL models, prices have continued to drop or at worst stabilize in each subsequent review of each class. Louisiana's leadership in establishing the TOP\$<sup>SM</sup> multi-state program accelerated this trend.

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