XIV. IMPLEMENTATION OF FEDERAL CEILING PRICE REGULATION

P&T Comments

The committee reviewed drugs that were not included on a Department of Defense Retail Refund Pricing Agreement; these drugs are not compliant with 32 C.F.R. 199.21(q)(2), part of the regulation implementing the FY2008 National Defense Authorization Act, Section 703. The regulation provides that if a drug is not covered by a pricing agreement to comply with Federal Ceiling Prices, the drugs will generally be designated nonformulary (Tier 3) under the Uniform Formulary and will require a pre-authorization prior to use in the retail point of service. These drugs will remain available in the mail order point of service without pre-authorization. Drugs, with and without pricing agreements, were systematically classified based along therapeutic and pharmacologic lines. The classification system was based on the American Hospital Formulary System Classification and First Data Bank classification.

By the August P&T meeting, over 130 manufacturers has submitted executed pricing agreements representing over 90% of the drugs and 94% of the potential FCP-based refunds. Out of the 190 drugs (59 as of 23 September 2009) reviewed that were not covered by pricing agreements, 169 (45 as 23 September 2009) were recommended by the Committee to move to Tier 3. Ten drugs (6 as of 23 September 2009) were recommended to remain on Tier 2 and eleven drugs (8 as of 23 September 2009) were tabled for the November meeting. At the meeting, all drugs that were on Tier 3 and were covered by a pricing agreement were maintained on Tier 2 (with the exception of three newly approved drugs separately reviewed by the Committee). The Committee considered each drug carefully with the goal of minimizing the impact on beneficiary care. The Committee considered many factors in its recommendations. These included whether a drug was considered "one-of-a-kind," whether there were other brand name products in the same drug class, and whether multiple generics were available in the class. From these considerations, the Committee's rationale was to move drug to nonformulary (Tier 3) only if the Committee knew there were appropriate therapeutic substitutions within that drug class. Those without appropriate therapeutic substitutes were not moved and those that the Committee needed additional information on were deferred to the November meeting. Also, the Committee recommended that any drug manufacturer that signs a pricing agreement before 14 October would not have their drug(s) moved to non-formulary (Tier 3). If their drug(s) were already in Tier 3, they would remain in Tier 3 but without an additional pre-authorization.

The DoD P&T Committee recommended the following:

A. The following drugs, though not on a pricing agreement, should retain their formulary designation on the UF:

DRUG	DRUG CLASSIFICATION	MANUFACTURER	NUMBER OF PATIENTS
ACTIMMUNE	Immunological/Immunomodul	INTERMUNE	25
	ators		
INTAL	Pulmonary II Agents	KING (MONARCH)	439
PANRETIN	Topical Antineoplastic &	EISAI	1
	Premalignat Lesion		
RADIOGARDASE	Binders/Chelators/Antidotes/	HEYLTEX	514
	Overdose /Radiation Exposure		
THIOLA	Urinary/Kidney Stone Agents	MISSION	12
VANCOCIN HCL	Anti-Infectives/Antibiotics	VIROPHARMA	1,491

B. The following drugs should be designated or retain the designation of non-formulary on the UF:

DRUG	DRUG CLASSIFICATION	MANUFACTURER	NUMBER OF
			PATIENTS
ACHIPHEX	Immunological Agents	INTERMUNE	25,129
ACLOVATE	Topical Corticosteroids/Immune	PHARMADERM	1
	Modulators		
AGRYLIN	Hematological Agents	SHIRE	8
ALTACE	Renin-Angiotensin	KING (MONARCH)	69
	Antihypertensives (RAAs)		
APTIVUS	HIV Antivirals	BOEHRINGER	6
		INGELHEIM	
ATROVENT	Respiratory/Nasal	BOEHRINGER	11
	Anticholinergics	INGELHEIM	
ATROVENT HFA	Pulmonary II Agents	BOEHRINGER	3,565
		INGELHEIM	
BUPHENYL	GI Agents/Ammonia Inhibitors	MEDICIS	7
CARBATROL	Anticonvulsants/Antimania	SHIRE	1,311
CARNITOR	Metabolic Replacement Agents	SIGMA-TAU	15
CARNITOR SF	Metabolic Replacement Agents	SIGMA-TAU	2
CATAPRES	Antihypertensives/Sympatholytics	BOEHRINGER	19
		INGELHEIM	
CETROTIDE	FSH/LH Fertility Agents	EMD SERONO	34
CORGARD	Beta Blockers/HCTZ Combos	KING (MONARCH)	42
CORTISPORIN	Topical Antibiotics & Combos	KING (MONARCH)	3
CUTIVATE	Topical Corticosteroids/Immune	PHARMADERM	1,355
	Modulators		
CYTOMEL	Thyroid Replacements	KING (MONARCH)	2,955

²⁴ Sept 2009 Beneficiary Advisory Panel Background Information

CYTOXAN	Oral Oncological/Alkylating	BRISTOL-MYERS-	0
	Agents	SQUIBB	
DEPAKENE	Anticonvulsants/Antimania	ABBOTT	12
ELESTRIN	Estrogens	AZUR	26
ELIGARD	LHRH Agonists	SANOFI	20
ENDOMETRIN	Gynecological/Pregnancy	FERRING	350
	Facilitating/Maintaining Agent		
EURAX	Topical Anti-Infectives	RANBAXY	54
FLOMAX	Alpha Blockers for BPH	BOEHRINGER	29,039
		INGELHEIM	
FOSRENOL	Electrolyte Depleting/Phosphate	SHIRE	635
	Binders		
GYNAZOLE-1	Vaginal Anti-	THER-RX	908
	Infectives/Antiseptics		
HALOG	Topical Corticosteroids/Immune	RANBAXY	261
	Modulators		
KADIAN	Narcotic Analgesics & Combos	ALPHARMA	1,512
KAON-CL 10	Electrolyte/Mineral/Trace	SAVAGE	35
	Element/Potassium Replacement		
KINERET	Targeted Immunomodulatory	BIOVITRUM	27
	Biologics		
LAC-HYDRIN	Emollients	RANBAXY	25
LEVULAN	Acne	DUSA	0
LIMBITROL	TCAs & Combos	VALEANT	0
LITHOSTAT	GI Agents/Ammonia Inhibitors	MISSION	1
LOCOID	Topical Corticosteroids/Immune	TRIAX	0
	Modulators		
LUVERIS	FSH/LH Fertility Agents	EMD SERONO	17
MICRO-K	Electrolyte/Mineral/Trace	THER-RX	55
	Element/Potassium Replacement		
MINOCIN	Tetracyclines	TRIAX	0
MIRAPEX	Parkinsons Medications	BOEHRINGER	8,405
		INGELHEIM	,
MOBIC	NSAIDs	BOEHRINGER	18
		INGELHEIM	
MONODOX	Tetracyclines	AQUA	2
MS CONTIN	Narcotic Analgesics & Combos	PURDUE	18
NIRAVAM	Antianxiety/Anxiolytics	AZUR	181
OMNICEF	Beta-Lactams	ABBOTT	7
OXISTAT	Topical Antifungals	PHARMADERM	2,460
PAMINE FORTE	Anticholinergics/Antispasmodics	KENWOOD LABS	4
PAMINE FQ	Anticholinergics/Antispasmodics	KENWOOD LABS	1
PERSANTINE	Antiplatelet/Hemorrhelogic	BOEHRINGER	4
	Agents	INGELHEIM	
	11501113	HOLLILIM	1

PHOSLO	Electrolyte Depleting Medications	FRESENIUS	24
PLETAL	Antiplatelet/Hemorrhelogic	OTSUKA	9
	Agents	AMERICA	
PROAMATINE	Cardiovascular/Adrenergic	SHIRE	4
	Vasopressors		
RHEMATREX	Antirheumatics	DAVA	10
RIOMET	Oral Anitdiabetics I/Biguanides	RANBAXY	105
SAIZEN	Growth Stimulating	EMD SERONO	31
	Agents/Growth Hormone		
SALAGEN	Neurological/Parasympathetic	EISAI	10
	Agents		
SEPTRA	Sulfonamides/Folate Antagonists	KING (MONARCH)	
SEPTRA DS	Sulfonamides/Folate Antagonists	KING (MONARCH)	3
SEROSTIM	Growth Stimulating	EMD SERONO	3
	Agents/Growth Hormones		
SILVADENE	Topical Anti-	KING (MONARCH)	7
	infectives/Sulfonamides		
SONATA	Sedative/Hypnotics I	KING (MONARCH)	282
TAPAZOLE	Thyroid Medications	KING (MONARCH)	6
TEMOVATE	Topical Corticosteroid/Immune	PHARMADERM	4
	Modulators		
TEMOVATE	Topical Corticosteroid/Immune	PHARMADERM	2
EMOLLIENT	Modulators		
THALITONE	Diuretics/Thiazide	KING (MONARCH)	29
TIGAN	Antiemetic/Antivertigo Agents	KING (MONARCH)	2
TINDAMAX	Anti-infectives/Antiprotozoal	MISSION	691
TRANSDERM-	Antiemetic/Antivertigo Agents	BAXTER	974
SCOP			
TRETIN-X	Acne Medications	TRIAX	94
ULTRAVATE	Topical Corticosteroid/Immune	PHARMADERM	8
	Modulators		
ULTRAVATE PAC	Topical Corticosteroid/Immune	RANBAXY	144
	Modulators		
VIRAMUNE	HIV Antivirals	BOEHRINGER	52
		INGELHEIM	
VIROPTIC	Ophthalmic/Antivirals	KING (MONARCH)	5
VYVANSE	ADHD/Narcolespy Agents	SHIRE	14,885
WESTCORT	Topical Corticosteroid/Immune	RANBAXY	0
	Modulators		
ZONEGRAN	Anticonvulsants/Antimania	EISAI	85
ZORBTIVE	Growth Stimulating/Growth	EMD SERONO	0
	Hormone		

Pre-authorization will be determined at the November P&T Committee meeting.

C. The following drugs require more information prior to determination of a formulary status:

DRUG	DRUG CLASSIFICATION	MANUFACTURER
FARESTON	Oral Onocological Agents	GTX
GLUCAGEN	Binders/Chelators/Antidotes/Overdose/Hyperglycemics	BEDFORD LABS
GONAL-F	FSH/LH Agents	EMD SERONO
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RFF		
PAREMYD	Ophthalmics/Mydriatics	AKORN
REBIF	MS-DMDs	EMD SERONO
SYNTHROID	Thyroid	ABBOTT
UROCIT-K	Urinary Ph Agents	MISSION