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## CareLink Subsidy Changes

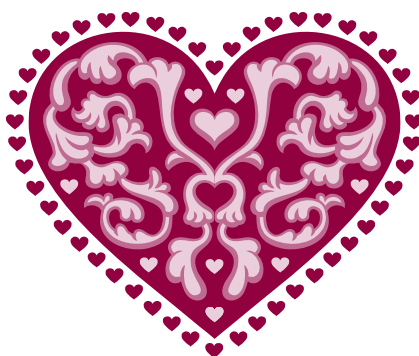
1. Clonidine transdermal patches (Catapres-TTS® equivalent) – CareLink will subsidize clonidine transdermal patches without restrictions.
2. Colestipol (Colestid® equivalent) tablets– Due to lack of use, colestipol was removed from the UHS formulary.
3. Lovastatin (Mevacor® equivalent) tablets - Lovastatin was removed from the UHS formulary. CareLink will continue to subsidize (indefinitely) for patients previously established on therapy. New starts should utilize an alternative formulary statin, such as simvastatin or pravastatin.
4. Mometasone 110 mcg inhaler (Asmanex® Twisthaler®): Asmanex® 110 mcg inhaler was added to the formulary as a dosage form extension. CareLink will subsidize the 110 mcg and the 220 mcg strengths for patients treated with inhaled corticosteroids. Note: This is the steroid of choice for CareLink members. Due to the significant cost difference, Flovent® is NOT subsidized by CareLink.
5. Naltrexone (ReVia® equivalent) tablets- CareLink will subsidize naltrexone when initiated by Psychiatry.
6. Travoprost (Travatan® Z) ophthalmic solution -CareLink will subsidize travoprost ophthalmic drops. A BULK medication assistance program (MAP) is also available.



**Guidelines for the Outpatient Pharmacological Management of Asthma:** An update for the outpatient treatment of asthma has been approved by P & T and will be available via the UHS Clinical Pathways/Guidelines website.

**UHS Hyperlipidemia Guidelines:** Revisions for the treatment of hyperlipidemia have been approved by P & T and will be available via the UHS Clinical Pathways/Guidelines website.

***Welcome Jim Holliday. Jim is the new supervisor for the MAP. He previously served as the pharmacy manager at TDI and brings a wealth of knowledge to the program. CareLink looks forward to working with you, Jim!***



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