

# Changes to the CareOregon Oregon Health Plan (Medicaid) Formulary

# No Prior Authorization Required for Most Hepatitis C Medications

Effective January 1, 2023, most hepatitis C treatments will be covered by Oregon Medicaid without requiring prior authorization. Two conditions must be met for this to apply 1) the member must be treatment naïve; AND 2) an Oregon Health Plan preferred drug (Mavyret or generic Eplcusa) is being used within usual quantity limits.

## **Preferred Hepatitis C Drugs:**

- Mavyret- Most situations clinically only require 8 weeks. Up to 16 weeks is available without PA.
- Generic Epclusa- Most situations clinically only require 12 weeks, but up to 24 can be received without PA.

#### **Definition of Treatment Naïve:**

- The claims system will look for any evidence of a previous course of therapy with a protease inhibitor.
- Note: In some cases (such as reinfection or limited first treatment course), it may be clinically appropriate for a second course to be approached as treatment naïve. However, prior authorization will be required if claims see a past treatment.

## Non-preferred drugs:

- Vosevi- This will remain on formulary, but with a prior authorization. It is reserved for retreatment scenarios as specified in the PA criteria.
- Pediatric formulations- while supported in some clinical situations they are no longer preferred to reflect the fact that prior authorization will be required in all instances.
- Competing brands including Harvoni and brand Epclusa will require prior authorization. Their use will need to meet existing PA criteria as well as a medical reason to avoid using preferred regimens identified in the table of the Hepatitis C PA criteria.

#### **Case Management**

- Case management includes assessing drug interactions, addressing potential barriers to adherence, & providing support for other comorbidities that may impact successful treatment.
- Case management will be **required for treatments that require prior authorization** (non-preferred or retreatment cases). It can be optionally requested for drugs without PA.
  - » Patients can elect to opt-out of case management.
- For additional details on case management and how to request it, please see our website for a HepC Case Management Request Form. Clinics can:
  - » Attest to perform all case management directly; or
  - » Request partial assistance from the CCO; or
  - » Request full assistance with case management from the CCO.