4123-6-21.3 **Outpatient medication formulary.**

(A) The administrator hereby adopts the formulary indicated in appendix A to this rule, developed with the recommendation of the bureau's pharmacy and therapeutics committee, effective ~~April 1, 2013~~ January 1, 2014.

(B) The formulary indicated in appendix A to this rule shall constitute the complete list of medications that are approved for reimbursement by the bureau for the treatment of an occupational injury or disease in an allowed claim. Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (F) of this rule, drugs not listed in the formulary are not eligible for reimbursement by the bureau.

(C) The formulary indicated in appendix A to this rule also contains specific reimbursement, prescribing or dispensing restrictions that have been placed on the use of listed drugs. The formulary will be reviewed annually and updated as necessary. The most current version will be electronically published by the bureau.

(D) Based upon current medical literature and generally accepted best clinical practices the bureau's pharmacy and therapeutics committee shall evaluate and make recommendations to the administrator regarding the addition, deletion, or modification of coverage of medications listed in the formulary. Requests for pharmacy and therapeutics committee action on a specific drug may be initiated by the bureau's administrator, chief of medical services, chief medical officer, or pharmacy director.

(E) The bureau shall develop policies to perform an expedited review process for clinically or therapeutically unique medications. The bureau shall also develop policies to address the timely review of new drug products.

(F) Notwithstanding paragraph (B) of this rule, in cases of medical necessity supported by clinical documentation and evidence of need the bureau may, with prior authorization, reimburse for new drugs approved for use in the United States by the food and drug administration (FDA) on or after the effective date of the formulary, and for new indications approved by the FDA on or after the effective date of the formulary for existing drugs that are not on the formulary, for a period not to exceed one hundred eighty days from the adjudication date of the first prescription for the requested drug.

(G) Notwithstanding appendix A to this rule, in cases of medical necessity supported by clinical documentation and evidence of need the bureau may, with prior authorization, reimburse for new dosage forms or strengths approved by the FDA on or after the effective date of the formulary for existing drugs that are on the formulary, for a period not to exceed one hundred eighty days from the adjudication date of the first prescription for the requested drug.

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