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Fidelis Care Opioid Prior Authorization Form (11/2017)

Instructions: Completion of this form is required for timely processing of the prescription. Complete and fax this form back to Fidelis Care at fax: **1-877-533-2405**. For questions or concerns, call 1-888-FIDELIS (1-888-343-3547). The prior authorization request form and Fidelis Formulary can be found at: <https://www.fideliscare.org/en-us/providers/pharmacyservices.aspx>

CDC Guidelines for Opioid prescribing for Chronic Pain: **OPIOIDS ARE NOT RECOMMENDED AS FIRST-LINE TREATMENT FOR CHRONIC PAIN**. Please see <https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/65/rr/rr6501e1.htm> for additional information.

Prior Authorization is required for:

1. Immediate-Release/Extended Release Opioid Analgesics exceeding a cumulative daily dose of 90 Morphine-Milligram Equivalents (MME)
2. Immediate-Release/Extended Release Opioid Analgesics exceeding the Quantity Limit
3. New starts of Extended-Release Opioid Analgesics require an initial trial of at least a 7 day supply of an immediate-release opioid analgesic.
4. New Immediate-Release opioid analgesics exceeding a 7 day supply without prior history of opioid use.

Member Information

Member Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Member ID: _____

Provider Information

Provider Name: _____

Provider NPI#: _____

Provider Address: _____

Provider DEA#: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Opioid Requested

Drug name: _____

Direction and max daily dose: _____

Diagnosis for use: _____

Medical Justification

1. Is this medication being used to treat Acute Pain (pain lasting **LESS THAN** 90 days)? **Yes** **No** (If yes, please sign this form and provide clinical rationale for use of opioid medication lasting longer than a 7 day supply):

2. Is the requested medication being prescribed for pain associated with cancer, a terminal condition, pain associated with sickle cell, or pain being managed through hospice or palliative care? **Yes** **No** (If yes, please sign this form and submit clinical chart notes documenting the diagnosis. If no, complete the rest of the form)

Medical Justification

3. Is this medication being used to treat Chronic Pain (pain lasting **MORE THAN** 90 days)? **Yes** **No**
4. Include the clinical rationale for long-term opioid use, INCLUDING past medical history and any underlying conditions related to the patient's pain: _____

5. Has the patient tried any non-opioid therapies to treat their pain condition? (Please see page 3 for a list of formulary, non-opioid medications)

Drug (dose, route, frequency)	Start Date	Stop Date	Reason for Discontinuation

6. If requesting a non-preferred opioid product, has the patient failed an adequate trial of a preferred product? **Yes** **No** (If yes, please list formulary medications tried)

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Treatment Plan

1. Is the requested drug being prescribed for pain severe enough to require daily, around-the-clock, long-term treatment in a patient who has been taking an opioid? **Yes** **No**
2. Can the patient safely take the requested dose based on their history of opioid use? **Yes** **No**
3. Has the patient been evaluated and will the patient be monitored regularly for the development of opioid use disorder? **Yes** **No**
4. Will the patient's pain be reassessed in the first month after the initial prescription or any dose increase AND every 3 months thereafter to ensure that clinically meaningful improvement in pain and function outweigh risks to patient safety? **Yes** **No**
5. If patient exhibits any signs of opioid use disorder, will referral of patient to a substance use disorder treatment program be considered? **Yes** **No**
6. If no to any of the above, please provide additional information or clinical rationale: _____

URGENT CHECK REQUEST

If the request is for a life threatening condition that is dependent on a priority review from the Fidelis Care Pharmacy Department (such as cardiovascular conditions like arrhythmia), you may request an expedited review. Medications for hyperlipidemia, growth hormones, allergic rhinitis, and other non-urgent use will be completed within 3 days and will NOT be expedited. Please be considerate of other providers and patients who are also requesting prior authorization.

Prescriber's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Formulary Non-Opioid Treatment options for Chronic Pain Conditions

(The most up to date full formulary can be found at

<https://www.fideliscare.org/Portals/0/DocumentLibrary/Providers/Pharmacy%20Services/FidelisFormularyFull2017.pdf>):

1. **Chronic low Back Pain (with or without Radiculopathy)**
 - a. Oral Nonsteroidal Anti-inflammatory Drugs (NSAIDs)
 - b. Diclofenac 1% Gel
 - c. Celecoxib
 - d. **Non-Pharmacologic: Physical Therapy (PT), Occupational Therapy (OT)**

2. **Acute Low Back Pain**
 - a. Musculoskeletal Agents
 - b. Lidocaine 2% Gel & Lidocaine 4% Solution
 - c. **Corticosteroid Injections**

3. **Neuropathic Pain (including Diabetic Neuropathy, Post-Herpetic Neuralgia, Fibromyalgia)**
 - a. **SNRI's:** Duloxetine, Venlafaxine
 - b. **Tricyclic Antidepressants:** Amitriptyline, Nortriptyline
 - c. **Anticonvulsants:** Gabapentin, Lyrica*
 - i. * *Lyrica requires step-therapy or prior authorization*
 - d. Cyclobenzaprine
 - e. Savella
 - f. Lidocaine 2% Gel & Lidocaine 4% Solution

4. **Osteoarthritis**
 - a. Oral Nonsteroidal Anti-inflammatory Drugs (NSAIDs)
 - b. Diclofenac 1% Gel
 - c. Celecoxib
 - d. Duloxetine

90 Morphine Milligram Equivalents (MME)**

Opioid Medication	Equivalent Dose
Morphine	90 mg
Hydrocodone	90 mg
Oxycodone	60 mg
Oxycodone	30 mg
Hydromorphone	22.5 mg
Fentanyl Patch	37.5 MCG
Codeine	600 mg

** Equivalent doses are based on MME conversion factors from CDC Guidelines for Opioid Prescribing in Chronic Pain