

## MEDSTAR FAMILY CHOICE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA FORMULARY UPDATES

### August 2023 Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee Meeting

MedStar Family Choice District of Columbia (MFC-DC) Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee meets quarterly. During the August 2023 meeting, the formulary changes were made for DC Healthy Families and DC Healthcare Alliance. **Bolded** names indicate a brand medication; other listed medications are generic.

#### CHANGES BELOW WILL BECOME EFFECTIVE ON OR AROUND OCTOBER 1, 2023

Additions:	Addition of Quantity Limits:
<b>Breztri</b> (Budesonide/glycopyrrolate/formoterol)  <i>Nebivolol tablets</i>  <b>Nexletol</b> (bempedoic acid)  <b>Nexlizet</b> (bempedoic acid with ezetimibe)  <i>Olmesartan/Amlodipine +/- HCTZ</i>  <b>Paxlovid</b> (nirmatrelvir and ritonavir)	<b>Opzelura</b> cream (ruxolitinib) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Enrollees will be limited to 180 grams/28 days.</u></b></li> <li>• Rationale: Quantity limits align with FDA-recommended dosing guidance.</li> </ul> <i>Albuterol, Levalbuterol MDI inhalers</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>A maximum of 6 inhalers may be dispensed per 365 days.</u></b></li> <li>• Rationale: Recent data shows unfavorable outcomes for SABAs used alone for as-needed treatment of mild asthma symptoms. New quantity limits align with current treatment guidelines.</li> <li>• If needed, additional inhalers may be covered by submitting a PA with supporting documentation</li> </ul>
Additions with Prior Authorization: *	
<b>Furoscix</b> (subcutaneous furosemide)  <i>Icosapent ethyl capsules</i>  <b>Opzelura</b> (ruxolitinib)  <b>Veozah</b> (fezolinetant) tablets  <b>Vowst</b> (oral fecal microbiota)  <b>Zeposia</b> (ozanimod)	<i>GLP-1 medications</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enrollees will be limited to <b>two, 30-day fills</b> for starter GLP-1 medication strengths:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Rybelsus</b> (semaglutide) <b><u>3 mg capsules (60 capsules/year)</u></b></li> <li>○ <b>Trulicity</b> (dulaglutide) <b><u>0.75 mg pens (8 pens/year) *</u></b></li> <li>○ <b>Mounjaro</b> (tirzepatide) <b><u>2.5 mg pens (8 pens/year)</u></b></li> </ul> </li> <li>• Rationale: Starter doses are intended for initiating therapy for medication tolerability.</li> <li>• Exceptions for Trulicity may be granted for patients whose A1c is at or below ADA standards for glucose control.</li> </ul>

\*Please see the Prior Authorization and Step Therapy Table for clinical criteria. **The table is updated regularly.** Please use the most current version found on the MFC-DC Providers page: [MedStarFamilyChoiceDC.com/providers/pharmacy](http://MedStarFamilyChoiceDC.com/providers/pharmacy)

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