

**NC Medicaid
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Behavioral Health – Adult**

**Medicaid and Health Choice
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Therapeutic Class: Behavioral Health Medications for Adults

Clinical Edit Number	Long Description
4110	Quantity limit edit that is applied to atypical antipsychotics for claims identified in the adult population
4125	Quantity limit edit that is applied to antidepressants for claims identified in the adult population
4140	Quantity limit edit that is applied to ADD/ADHD and stimulant medications for claims identified in the adult population
58610	Therapeutic duplication edit that is applied to atypical antipsychotics for claims identified in the adult population
58620	Therapeutic duplication edit that is applied to antidepressants for claims identified in the adult population
58630	Therapeutic duplication edit that is applied to antidepressants for claims identified in the adult population
58640	Therapeutic duplication edit that is applied to anxiolytics for claims identified in the adult population
4610	Quantity limit edit that is applied to behavioral health drugs except atypical antipsychotics, antidepressants, ADD/ADHD drugs and stimulants for claims identified in the adult population

Eligible Beneficiaries

NC Medicaid (Medicaid) beneficiaries shall be enrolled on the date of service and may have service restrictions due to their eligibility category that would make them ineligible for this service.

NC Health Choice (NCHC) beneficiaries, ages 6 through 18 years of age, shall be enrolled on the date of service to be eligible, and must meet policy coverage criteria, unless otherwise specified. **EPSDT does not apply to NCHC beneficiaries.**

EPSDT Special Provision: Exception to Policy Limitations for Beneficiaries under 21 Years of Age

42 U.S.C. § 1396d(r) [1905(r) of the Social Security Act]

Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment (EPSDT) is a federal Medicaid requirement that requires the state Medicaid agency to cover services, products, or procedures for Medicaid beneficiaries under 21 years of age **if** the service is **medically necessary health care** to correct or ameliorate a defect, physical or mental illness, or a condition [health problem] identified through a screening examination** (includes any evaluation by a physician or other licensed clinician). This means EPSDT covers most of the medical or remedial care a child needs to improve or maintain his/her health in the best condition possible, compensate for a health problem, prevent it from worsening, or prevent the development of additional health problems. Medically necessary services will be provided in the most economic mode, as long as the treatment made available is similarly efficacious to the service requested by the beneficiary's physician, therapist, or other licensed practitioner; the determination process does not delay the delivery of the needed service; and the determination does not limit the beneficiary's right to a free choice of providers.

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EPSDT does not require the state Medicaid agency to provide any service, product, or procedure

- a. that is unsafe, ineffective, or experimental/investigational.
- b. that is not medical in nature or not generally recognized as an accepted method of medical practice or treatment.

Service limitations on scope, amount, duration, frequency, location of service, and/or other specific criteria described in clinical coverage policies may be exceeded or may not apply as long as the provider's documentation shows that the requested service is medically necessary "to correct or ameliorate a defect, physical or mental illness, or a condition" [health problem]; that is, provider documentation shows how the service, product, or procedure meets all EPSDT criteria, including to correct or improve or maintain the beneficiary's health in the best condition possible, compensate for a health problem, prevent it from worsening, or prevent the development of additional health problems.

EPSDT and Prior Approval Requirements

EPSDT DOES NOT ELIMINATE THE REQUIREMENT FOR PRIOR APPROVAL IF PRIOR APPROVAL IS REQUIRED. Additional information on EPSDT guidelines may be accessed at EPSDT provider page: <http://medicaid.ncdhhs.gov/>

Criteria:

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Quantities in excess of the dosages recommended by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for the atypical antipsychotics listed in Appendix A will be denied.

- a. The quantity limits are applied based on the maximum daily doses approved by the FDA.
- b. The quantity limits are based on FDA approved adult age ranges.
- c. The quantity limits are restricted to the adult population defined as beneficiaries greater than or equal to 18 years of age.

Clinical Edit 4125

Quantities in excess of the dosages recommended by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for the antidepressants listed in Appendix B will be denied.

- a. The quantity limits are applied based on the maximum daily doses approved by the FDA.
- b. The quantity limits are based on FDA approved adult age ranges.
- c. The quantity limits are restricted to the adult population defined as beneficiaries greater than or equal to 18 years of age.

Clinical Edit 4140

Quantities in excess of the dosages recommended by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for the ADD/ADHD medications listed in Appendix C will be denied.

- a. The quantity limits are applied based on the maximum daily doses approved by the FDA.
- b. The quantity limits are based on FDA approved adult age ranges.
- c. The quantity limits are restricted to the adult population defined as beneficiaries greater than or equal to 18 years of age.

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Concomitant use of three or more atypical antipsychotics listed in Appendix D will be denied.

- a. The edit is applied based on 60 or more days of overlapping therapy with three or more atypical antipsychotics.
- b. The edit is applied to the adult population defined as beneficiaries greater than or equal to 18 years of age.

Clinical Edit 58620

Concomitant use of two or more antidepressants listed in Appendix E will be denied.

- a. The edit is applied based on 60 or more days of overlapping therapy with two or more antidepressants in the same chemical class.
- b. The edit is applied to the antidepressant chemical class; selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors (SSRIs) and includes combination products.
- c. The edit is applied to the adult population defined as beneficiaries greater than or equal to 18 years of age.

Clinical Edit 58630

Concomitant use of two or more antidepressants listed in Appendix F will be denied.

- a. The edit is applied based on 60 or more days of overlapping therapy with two or more antidepressants in the same chemical class.
- b. The edit is applied to the antidepressant chemical class; serotonin-norepinephrine reuptake inhibitors (SNRIs).
- c. The edit is applied to the adult population defined as beneficiaries greater than or equal to 18 years of age.

Clinical Edit 58640

Concomitant use of two or more anxiolytics listed in Appendix G will be denied.

- a. The edit is applied based on 60 or more days of overlapping therapy with two or more anxiolytics.
- b. The edit is applied to the adult population defined as beneficiaries greater than or equal to 18 years of age.

Clinical Edit 4610

Quantities in excess of the dosages recommended by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for the behavioral health medications listed in Appendix H (does not include antidepressants, atypical antipsychotics, stimulants and ADD/ADHD medications) will be denied.

- a. The quantity limits are applied based on the maximum daily doses approved by the FDA.
- b. The quantity limits are based on FDA approved adult age ranges.
- c. The quantity limits are restricted to the adult population defined as beneficiaries greater than or equal to 18 years of age.

Resolution:

A Pharmacist may override the prior authorization edit at point-of-sale after consulting the prescriber to determine the clinical need for a quantity exceeding the FDA recommended maximum or therapeutic duplication of a behavioral health medication. Documentation is to be made in the NCPDP pharmacy system or on the original prescription.

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Note: Individual Drug Package Inserts may have also been accessed during edit development to obtain Food and Drug Administration full prescribing information.

APPENDIX A

Edit 4110 - Quantities in excess of the dosages recommended by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for the atypical antipsychotics.

GCN	Drug Description	Quantity	Days Supply
34284, 37681, 34285, 37682	ARIPIRAZOLE 300 MG, 400 MG	1	30
18537, 18538, 18539, 18541, 44439, 44441, 44442, 44443	ARIPIRAZOLE 10 MG, 15 MG, 20 MG, 30 MG	30	30
20173, 44438	ARIPIRAZOLE 5 MG	45	30
26445, 26448, 26305, 44437	ARIPIRAZOLE 10 MG, 15 MG, 2 MG	60	30
97696	ARIPIRAZOLE 9.75MG/1.3	120	30
24062	ARIPIRAZOLE 1 MG/ML	750	30
39726, 39727, 39728,	ARIPIRAZOLE LAUROXIL 441MG/1.6ML, 662MG/2.4ML, 882MG/3.2ML	3.2	30
43488	ARIPIRAZOLE LAUROXIL 1064MG/3.9ML	3.9	60
44941	ARIPIRAZOLE LAUROXIL 675MG/2.4ML	2.4	30
27528, 21636, 38479	ASENAPINE MALEATE 10 MG, 5 MG, 2.5MG	60	30
47229, 47232, 47233	ASENAPINE TRANSDERMAL SYSTEM 3.8MG/24HRS, 5.7MG/24HRS, 7.6MG/24HRS	30	30
38278, 38476, 38589, 38609, 38618, 38619	BREXPIRAZOLE 0.25 MG, 0.5MG, 1MG, 2MG, 3MG, 4MG	30	30
39579, 39582, 39583, 39584	CARIPRAZINE 1.5MG, 3MG, 4.5MG, 6MG	30	30
98791, 18141, 21784, 18143	CLOZAPINE 12.5 MG, 25 MG, 50 MG	90	30
28874, 31672	CLOZAPINE 200 MG	120	30
28873	CLOZAPINE 150 MG	150	30
18142, 21785	CLOZAPINE 100 MG	270	30
14336	CLOZAPINE 50 MG/ML	540	30
28034	ILOPERIDONE 1-2-4-6MG	8	4
28025, 28030, 28033, 28026, 28027, 28028, 28029	ILOPERIDONE 1 MG, 10 MG, 12 MG, 2 MG, 4 MG, 6 MG, 8 MG	60	30
47492	LUMATEPERONE TOSYLATE 42MG	30	30
33147, 31226, 29366, 35192	LURASIDONE HCL 120 MG, 20 MG, 40 MG, 60MG	30	30
29367	LURASIDONE HCL 80 MG	60	30
15082, 17407, 92008, 15085, 34022, 15084, 15086, 34023, 15083, 92007, 15081	OLANZAPINE 10 MG, 15 MG, 2.5 MG, 20 MG, 5 MG, 7.5 MG	30	30
27848	OLANZAPINE PAMOATE 405 MG	1	28
27855, 27849	OLANZAPINE PAMOATE 210 MG, 300 MG	2	28
20870, 20872, 98648, 20868, 20869	OLANZAPINE/FLUOXETINE HCL 12MG-25MG, 12MG-50MG, 3 MG-25 MG, 6MG-25MG, 6MG-50MG	30	30

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GCN	Drug Description	Quantity	Days Supply
49724, 49726, 49727, 49739	OLANZAPINE/SAMIDORPHAN 5 MG/10 MG, 10 MG/10 MG, 15 MG/10 MG and 20 MG/10 MG.	30	30
27685, 97769, 97771	PALIPERIDONE 1.5 MG, 3 MG, 9 MG	30	30
97770	PALIPERIDONE 6 MG	60	30
27416, 27417, 27418, 27414, 27415	PALIPERIDONE PALMITATE 117MG/0.75ML, 156 MG/ML, 234MG/1.5ML, 39MG/0.25ML, 78MG/0.5ML	1.5	28
38697, 38698, 38699, 38702	PALIPERIDONE PALMITATE 273MG/0.875ML, 410MG/1.315ML, 546MG/1.75ML, 819MG/2.625ML	2.625	90
50889	PALIPERIDONE PALMITATE 1,092MG/3.5ML	3.5	180
50891	PALIPERIDONE PALMITATE 1,560MG/5ML	5	180
16193, 98522	QUETIAPINE FUMARATE 150 MG, 200 MG	30	30
67665, 98523, 26411, 98524, 98994	QUETIAPINE FUMARATE 300 MG, 400 MG, 50 MG	60	30
67662, 67663, 67661, 26409	QUETIAPINE FUMARATE 100 MG, 200 MG, 25 MG, 50 MG	90	30
24448, 92872, 19541, 92892, 16136, 19178, 16137, 19179, 16139, 25025	RISPERIDONE 0.25 MG, 0.5 MG, 1 MG, 2 MG, 4 MG	60	30
16138, 25024	RISPERIDONE 3 MG	120	30
16135, 35049, 35051, 35052	RISPERIDONE 1 MG/ML, 2 MG/2 ML, 3 MG/3 ML	360	30
98414, 20217, 20218, 20219	RISPERIDONE MICROSPHERES 12.5MG/2ML, 25 MG/2 ML, 37.5MG/2ML, 50 MG/2 ML	2	28
45127, 45128	RISPERIDONE ER 90MG SYRINGE KIT, ER 120MG SYRING KIT	1	30
13331, 13332, 13333, 13334	ZIPRASIDONE HCL 20 MG, 40 MG, 60 MG, 80 MG	60	30
17037	ZIPRASIDONE MESYLATE FNL 20MG/1	60	30

APPENDIX B

Edit 4125 - Quantities in excess of the dosages recommended by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for the antidepressants.

GCN	Drug Description	Quantity	Days Supply
26198, 16996, 17050	BUPROPION HBR 174MG, 348MG, 522MG	30	30
20317, 20318, 33081	BUPROPION HCL 150 MG, 300 MG, 450 MG	30	30
16387, 16386, 17573	BUPROPION HCL 100 MG, 150 MG, 200 MG	60	30
16385	BUPROPION HCL 100 MG	120	30
16384	BUPROPION HCL 75 MG	180	30
16343	CITALOPRAM HYDROBROMIDE 40 MG	30	30
16345, 16342	CITALOPRAM HYDROBROMIDE 10 MG, 20 MG	45	30
16344, 34671	CITALOPRAM HYDROBROMIDE 10 MG/5 ML, 20 MG/10ML	600	30
34482, 35584, 34470, 35582	DESVENLAFAXINE 100 MG, 50 MG	30	30
36273, 36272	DESVENLAFAXINE FUMARATE 100 MG, 50 MG	30	30
99452, 99451	DESVENLAFAXINE SUCCINATE 100 MG, 50 MG	30	30
23161, 23164	DULOXETINE HCL 20 MG, 60 MG	60	30
23162	DULOXETINE HCL 30 MG	90	30
17851, 17987, 18975	ESCITALOPRAM OXALATE 10 MG, 20 MG, 5 MG	30	30
19035	ESCITALOPRAM OXALATE 5 MG/5 ML	600	30
12929	FLUOXETINE HCL 90 MG	4	28
30817	FLUOXETINE HCL 60 MG	30	30
16355	FLUOXETINE HCL 40 MG	60	30
16353, 16356, 16354, 16359	FLUOXETINE HCL 10 MG, 20 MG	90	30
16357	FLUOXETINE HCL 20 MG/5 ML	600	30
99481, 99482	FLUVOXAMINE MALEATE 100 MG, 150 MG	60	30
16349, 16347, 16348	FLUVOXAMINE MALEATE 100 MG, 25 MG, 50 MG	90	30
35335	LEVOMILNACIPRAN HYDROCHLORIDE 20-40MG	28	28
35334, 35327, 35328, 35329	LEVOMILNACIPRAN HYDROCHLORIDE 120 MG, 20 MG, 40 MG, 80 MG	30	30
22025	MILNACIPRAN HCL 12.5-25-50	55	180
22022, 21979, 22008, 22019	MILNACIPRAN HCL 100 MG, 12.5 MG, 25 MG, 50 MG	60	30
12529, 16732, 12531, 16733, 13041, 16734, 21817	MIRTAZAPINE 15 MG, 30 MG, 45 MG, 7.5 MG	30	30
20870, 20872, 98648, 20868, 20869	OLANZAPINE/FLUOXETINE HCL 12MG-25MG, 12MG-50MG, 3 MG-25 MG, 6MG-25MG,	30	30

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GCN	Drug Description	Quantity	Days Supply
	6MG-50MG		
16364, 17078, 16366, 16368	PAROXETINE HCL 10 MG, 12.5 MG, 20 MG, 40 MG	30	30
17077, 16367, 17079	PAROXETINE HCL 25 MG, 30 MG, 37.5 MG	60	30
16369	PAROXETINE HCL 10 MG/5 ML	900	30
20854, 20855, 20857	PAROXETINE MESYLATE 10 MG, 20 MG, 40 MG	30	30
20856	PAROXETINE MESYLATE 30 MG	60	30
26614, 26612, 26613	SELEGILINE 12MG/24HR, 6 MG/24 HR, 9 MG/24 HR	30	30
16373, 16374	SERTRALINE HCL 25 MG, 50 MG	45	30
16375	SERTRALINE HCL 100 MG	60	30
16382, 16383	SERTRALINE HCL 150MG, 200MG	30	30
16376	SERTRALINE HCL 20 MG/ML	300	30
14353, 16818, 14354, 14349, 16816	VENLAFAXINE HCL 150 MG, 225 MG, 37.5 MG	30	30
16815, 16811, 16812, 16813, 14352, 16817	VENLAFAXINE HCL 100 MG, 25 MG, 37.5 MG, 50 MG, 75 MG	90	30
16814	VENLAFAXINE HCL 75 MG	150	30
29916, 31956, 29917, 29918	VILAZODONE HYDROCHLORIDE 10 MG, 10-20-40MG, 20 MG, 40 MG	30	30
35347, 35349, 35346	VORTIOXETINE HYDROBROMIDE 10 MG, 20 MG, 5 MG	30	30

APPENDIX C

Edit 4140 - Quantities in excess of the dosages recommended by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for the ADD/ADHD medications.

GCN	Drug Description	Quantity	Days Supply
19822	AMPHETAMINE SULFATE 5 MG	90	30
19821	AMPHETAMINE SULFATE 10 MG	180	30
26539, 18779, 18781, 26538	ATOMOXETINE HCL 100 MG, 40 MG, 60 MG, 80 MG	30	30
18776, 18778	ATOMOXETINE HCL 10 MG, 25 MG	60	30
18777	ATOMOXETINE HCL 18 MG	90	30
33007	CLONIDINE HCL 0.1-0.2 MG	60	30
29319	CLONIDINE HCL 0.1 MG	120	30
24734, 97111, 24735, 30305, 28035, 30306, 28933, 24733	DEXMETHYLPHENIDATE HCL 10 MG, 15 MG, 20 MG, 25 MG, 30 MG, 35 MG, 40 MG, 5 MG	30	30
14975, 14973, 14974	DEXMETHYLPHENIDATE HCL 10 MG, 2.5 MG, 5 MG	90	30
19885, 34734, 36463, 19881	DEXTROAMPHETAMINE SULFATE 15 MG, 2.5 MG, 20 MG, 5 MG	90	30
19852, 36464	DEXTROAMPHETAMINE SULFATE 5MG, 30MG	60	30
19850, 19851, 34735	DEXTROAMPHETAMINE SULFATE 10 MG, 15 MG, 7.5 MG	120	30
19880	DEXTROAMPHETAMINE SULFATE 10 MG	180	30
99801	DEXTROAMPHETAMINE SULFATE 5 MG/5 ML	1800	30
14635, 17468, 14636, 17469, 14637, 17459	DEXTROAMPHETAMINE/AMPHETAMINE 10 MG, 15 MG, 20 MG, 25 MG, 30 MG, 5 MG	30	30
56973, 56972	DEXTROAMPHETAMINE/AMPHETAMINE 20 MG, 30 MG	60	30
56971, 29008, 29009, 56970, 29007	DEXTROAMPHETAMINE/AMPHETAMINE 10 MG, 12.5 MG, 15 MG, 5 MG, 7.5 MG	90	30
27576, 27578, 27579, 27582	GUANFACINE HCL 1 MG, 2 MG, 3 MG, 4 MG	30	30
37674, 99366, 98071, 99367, 98072, 99368, 98073	LISDEXAMFETAMINE DIMESYLATE 10 MG, 20 MG, 30 MG, 40 MG, 50 MG, 60 MG, 70 MG	30	30
19932	METHAMPHETAMINE HCL 5 MG	150	30
26801, 26802, 26803, 26804	METHYLPHENIDATE 10MG/9HR, 15MG/9HR, 20 MG/9 HR, 30MG/9HR	30	30
20384, 21763, 12567, 20385, 20387, 17123, 20386, 20391, 26734, 26735, 12248, 26736	METHYLPHENIDATE HCL 10 MG, 18 MG, 20 MG, 27 MG, 30 MG, 40 MG, 50 MG, 54 MG, 60 MG	30	30
20388, 12568	METHYLPHENIDATE HCL 30 MG, 36 MG	60	30
15911, 93075, 22682, 15920, 16180, 15913, 22683	METHYLPHENIDATE HCL 10 MG, 2.5 MG, 20 MG, 5 MG	90	30

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22684	METHYLPHENIDATE HCL 10 MG	180	30
33887	METHYLPHENIDATE HCL 5 MG/ML	360	30
22685	METHYLPHENIDATE HCL 5 MG/5 ML	450	30
22686	METHYLPHENIDATE HCL 10 MG/5 ML	900	30
97234, 97235, 97236, 97237, 97238, 97239, 97240	METHYLPHENIDATE HCL XR 10MG, 15MG, 20MG, 30MG, 40MG, 50MG, 60MG	30	30
49319, 49322, 49323	SERDEXMETHYLPHENIDATE/ DEXMETHYLPHENIDATE, 26.1 MG/5.2 MG, 39.2 MG/7.8 MG, 52.3 MG/10.4 MG	30	30
49447	VILOXAZINE ER 100MG	30	30
49449, 49452	VILOXAZINE ER 150MG, 200MG	60	30

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24062, 18537, 26445, 18538, 26448, 26305, 18539, 18541, 34284, 37681, 34285, 37682, 20173, 97696, 44437, 44438, 44439, 44441, 44442, 44443	ARIPIRAZOLE 1 MG/ML, 10 MG, 15 MG, 2 MG, 20 MG, 30 MG, 300 MG, 400 MG, 5 MG, 9.75MG/1.3
39726, 39727, 39728, 43488	ARIPIRAZOLE LAUROXIL 441MG/1.6ML, 662MG/2.4ML, 882MG/3.2ML, 1064MG/3.9ML
44941	ARIPIRAZOLE LAUROXIL 675MG/2.4ML
27528, 38479, 21636	ASENAPINE MALEATE 10 MG, 2.5 MG, 5 MG
47229, 47232, 47233	ASENAPINE TRANSDERMAL SYSTEM 3.8MG/24HRS, 5.7MG/24HRS, 7.6MG/24HRS
38278, 38476, 38589, 38609, 38618, 38619	BREXPIRAZOLE 0.25 MG, 0.5MG, 1MG, 2MG, 3MG, 4MG
39579, 39582, 39583, 39584	CARIPRAZINE 1.5MG, 3MG, 4.5MG, 6MG
18142, 21785, 98791, 28873, 28874, 31672, 18141, 21784, 18143, 14336	CLOZAPINE 100 MG, 12.5 MG, 150 MG, 200 MG, 25 MG, 50 MG, 50 MG/ML
28025, 28030, 28033, 28034, 28026, 28027, 28028, 28029	ILOPERIDONE 1 MG, 10 MG, 12 MG, 1-2-4-6MG, 2 MG, 4 MG, 6 MG, 8 MG
47492	LUMATEPERONE TOSYLATE 42MG
33147, 31226, 29366, 35192, 29367	LURASIDONE HCL 120 MG, 20 MG, 40 MG, 60 MG, 80 MG
15082, 17407, 92008, 15085, 34022, 15084, 15086, 34023, 15083, 92007, 15081	OLANZAPINE 10 MG, 15 MG, 2.5 MG, 20 MG, 5 MG, 7.5 MG
27855, 27849, 27848	OLANZAPINE PAMOATE 210 MG, 300 MG, 405 MG
20870, 20872, 98648, 20868, 20869	OLANZAPINE/FLUOXETINE HCL 12MG-25MG, 12MG-50MG, 3 MG-25 MG, 6MG-25MG, 6MG-50MG
49724, 49726, 49727, 49739	OLANZAPINE/SAMIDORPHAN 5 MG/10 MG, 10 MG/10 MG, 15 MG/10 MG and 20 MG/10 MG.
27685, 97769, 97770, 97771	PALIPERIDONE 1.5 MG, 3 MG, 6 MG, 9 MG
27416, 27417, 27418, 38697, 27414, 38698, 38699, 27415, 38702, 50889, 50891	PALIPERIDONE PALMITATE 117MG/0.75ML, 156 MG/ML, 234MG/1.5ML, 273MG/.875ML, 39MG/0.25ML, 410/1.315ML, 546MG/1.75ML, 78MG/0.5ML, 819/2.625ML, 1,092MG/3.5ML, 1,560MG/5ML
67662, 16193, 67663, 98522, 67661, 67665, 98523, 26411, 98524, 26409, 98994	QUETIAPINE FUMARATE 100 MG, 150 MG, 200 MG, 25 MG, 300 MG, 400 MG, 50 MG
24448, 92872, 19541, 92892, 16136, 19178, 16135, 35049, 16137, 19179, 35051, 16138, 25024, 35052, 16139, 25025, 45127, 45128	RISPERIDONE 0.25 MG, 0.5 MG, 1 MG, 1 MG/ML, 2 MG, 2 MG/2 ML, 3 MG, 3 MG/3 ML, 4 MG, ER 90MG SYRINGE KIT, ER 120MG SYRING KIT
98414, 20217, 20218, 20219	RISPERIDONE MICROSOPHERES 12.5MG/2ML, 25 MG/2 ML, 37.5MG/2ML, 50 MG/2 ML
13331, 13332, 13333, 13334	ZIPRASIDONE HCL 20 MG, 40 MG, 60 MG, 80 MG
17037	ZIPRASIDONE MESYLATE FNL 20MG/1

APPENDIX E

Edit 58620 - Concomitant use of two or more antidepressants (SSRIs).

GCN	Drug Description
16345, 16344, 16342, 34671, 16343	CITALOPRAM HYDROBROMIDE 10 MG, 10 MG/5 ML, 20 MG, 20 MG/10ML, 40 MG
17851, 17987, 18975, 19035	ESCITALOPRAM OXALATE 10 MG, 20 MG, 5 MG, 5 MG/5 ML
16353, 16356, 16354, 16359, 16357, 16355, 30817, 12929	FLUOXETINE HCL 10 MG, 20 MG, 20 MG/5 ML, 40 MG, 60 MG, 90 MG
16349, 99481, 99482, 16347, 16348	FLUVOXAMINE MALEATE 100 MG, 150 MG, 25 MG, 50 MG
20870, 20872, 98648, 20868, 20869	OLANZAPINE/FLUOXETINE HCL 12MG-25MG, 12MG-50MG, 3 MG-25 MG, 6MG-25MG, 6MG-50MG
16364, 16369, 17078, 16366, 17077, 16367, 17079, 16368	PAROXETINE HCL 10 MG, 10 MG/5 ML, 12.5 MG, 20 MG, 25 MG, 30 MG, 37.5 MG, 40 MG
20854, 20855, 20856, 20857	PAROXETINE MESYLATE 10 MG, 20 MG, 30 MG, 40 MG
16375, 16376, 16373, 16374, 16382, 16383	SERTRALINE HCL 100 MG, 20 MG/ML, 25 MG, 50 MG, 150MG, 200MG
29916, 31956, 29917, 29918	VILAZODONE HYDROCHLORIDE 10 MG, 10-20-40MG, 20 MG, 40 MG

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Edit 58630 - Concomitant use of two or more antidepressants (SNRIs).

GCN	Drug Description
34482, 35584, 34470, 35582	DESVENLAFAXINE 100 MG, 50 MG
36273, 36272	DESVENLAFAXINE FUMARATE 100 MG, 50 MG
99452, 38222, 99451	DESVENLAFAXINE SUCCINATE 100 MG, 25 MG, 50 MG
23161, 23162, 38728, 23164	DULOXETINE HCL 20 MG, 30 MG, 40 MG, 60 MG
35334, 35327, 35335, 35328, 35329	LEVOMILNACIPRAN HYDROCHLORIDE 120 MG, 20 MG, 20-40MG, 40 MG, 80 MG
22022, 21979, 22025, 22008, 22019	MILNACIPRAN HCL 100 MG, 12.5 MG, 12.5-25-50, 25 MG, 50 MG
16815, 14353, 16818, 14354, 16811, 14349, 16812, 16816, 16813, 14352, 16814, 16817	VENLAFAXINE HCL 100 MG, 150 MG, 225 MG, 25 MG, 37.5 MG, 50 MG, 75 MG

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APPENDIX G

Edit 58640 - Concomitant use of two or more anxiolytics.

GCN	Drug Description
14260, 24368, 14261, 17423, 24369, 14262, 17424, 24373, 14264, 14263, 17425, 24374, 19681	ALPRAZOLAM 0.25 MG, 0.5 MG, 1 MG, 1 MG/ML, 2 MG, 3 MG
14031, 14032, 14033	CHLORDIAZEPOXIDE HCL 10 MG, 25 MG, 5 MG
14090, 14092, 14093	CLORAZEPATE DIPOTASSIUM 15 MG, 3.75 MG, 7.5 MG
14220, 14221, 14222, 31551, 45560, 14200, 14210, 45500	DIAZEPAM 10 MG, 2 MG, 5 MG, 5 MG/5 ML, 5 MG/ML
14140, 14150, 19601, 14141, 14151	LORAZEPAM 2 MG/ML, 4 MG/ML
13801, 13802	MEPROBAMATE 200 MG, 400 MG
14230, 14231, 14232	OXAZEPAM 10 MG, 15 MG, 30 MG

APPENDIX H

Edit 4610 - Quantities in excess of the dosages recommended by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for the behavioral health medications (does not include antidepressants, atypical antipsychotics, stimulants and ADD/ADHD medications).

GCN	Drug Description	Quantity	Days Supply
17423, 17424, 17425, 19681	ALPRAZOLAM 0.5 MG, 1 MG, 2 MG, 3 MG	60	30
24368, 24369, 24373, 14263, 24374	ALPRAZOLAM 0.25 MG, 0.5 MG, 1 MG, 2 MG	90	30
14260, 14261, 14262, 14264	ALPRAZOLAM 0.25 MG, 0.5 MG, 1 MG, 1 MG/ML	180	30
16683, 16684	AMITRIP HCL/CHLORDIAZEPOXIDE 12.5MG-5MG, 25 MG-10MG	180	30
98590, 36082, 98592, 98591	ARMODAFINIL 150 MG, 200 MG, 250 MG, 50 MG	30	30
64672	BUPRENORPHINE HCL 2 MG	90	30
64673	BUPRENORPHINE HCL 8 MG	90	30
44187	BUPRENORPHINE XR 100MG/0.5ML	0.5ML	30
44186	BUPRENORPHINE XR 300MG/1.5ML	1.5ML	30
33744, 37823	BUPRENORPHINE HCL/NALOXONE HCL 12 MG-3 MG, 8.6-2.1 MG	60	30
33741	BUPRENORPHINE HCL/NALOXONE HCL 4MG-1MG	30	30
34905, 18974, 28959	BUPRENORPHINE HCL/NALOXONE HCL 5.7-1.4 MG, 8 MG-2 MG	90	30
39394	BUPRENORPHINE HCL/NALOXONE HCL 2.9-0.71mg	30	30
37824	BUPRENORPHINE HCL/NALOXONE HCL 11.4-2.9mg	30	30
36677, 36678	BUPRENORPHINE / NALOXONE 2.1-0.3mg, 4.2-0.7mg	60	30
36679	BUPRENORPHINE / NALOXONE 6.3-1mg	30	30
34904, 18973, 28958	BUPRENORPHINE HCL/NALOXONE HCL 1.4-0.36MG, 2 MG-0.5MG	90	30
42843	BUPRENORPHINE / NALOXONE 0.7-0.18	30	30
14031, 14032, 14033	CHLORDIAZEPOXIDE HCL 10 MG, 25 MG, 5 MG	360	30
19467, 19468, 17470, 19469, 17471, 19470	CLONAZEPAM 0.125 MG, 0.25 MG, 0.5 MG, 1 MG	180	30
17472, 19472	CLONAZEPAM 2 MG	300	30
14090, 14092, 14093	CLORAZEPATE DIPOTASSIUM 15 MG, 3.75 MG, 7.5 MG	180	30
29290	DEXTROMETHORPHAN HBR/QUINIDINE 20 MG-10MG	60	30
14220	DIAZEPAM 10 MG	120	30

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GCN	Drug Description	Quantity	Days Supply
14222	DIAZEPAM 5 MG	180	30
14221, 45500	DIAZEPAM 2 MG, 5 MG/ML	240	30
31551, 45560	DIAZEPAM 5 MG/5 ML	1200	30
14160, 14161	LORAZEPAM 0.5 MG, 1 MG	90	30
14162, 19601	LORAZEPAM 2 MG, 2 MG/ML	150	30
26101, 26102	MODAFINIL 100 MG, 200 MG	30	30
27095	NALTREXONE MICROSPHERES 380MG	1	28
14231, 14232	OXAZEPAM 15 MG, 30 MG	120	30
14230	OXAZEPAM 10 MG	240	30
18104	SODIUM OXYBATE 500 MG/ML	675	30
45948, 45949	PITOLISANT 4.45 MG, 17.8 MG	60	30
46126, 46127	SOLRIAMFETOL 75 MG, 150 MG	30	30

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May 1, 2017	Criteria effective date
July 20, 2017 – July 5, 2017	Repost for Appendix Updates Appendix A – added GCN, drug description, quantity days supply for: aripiprazole lauroxil, asenapine 2.5mg, brexpiprazole, cariprazine, olanzapine, paliperidone palmitate; lurasidone 60mg quantity changed to 30 Appendix B - GCN 16385 duplication deleted Appendix D - added GCN, drug description, quantity, days supply for: aripiprazole lauroxil, brexpiprazole, cariprazine
July 6, 2017	No public comments to policy Appendix updates
July 11, 2017	All appendix updates incorporated in policy
December 4, 2018	Appendix C added GCNs for methylphenidate XR – 97234, 97235, 97236, 97237, 97238, 97239, 97240
December 4, 2018	Appendix H changed GCN 64673 to quantity 60
December 4, 2018	Appendix H added GCNs 44186, 44187
December 4, 2018	Appendix H changed GCN 33741 to quantity 30
December 4, 2018	Appendix H added GCNs 39394, 37824, 36677, 36678, 36679, 42843
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July 1, 2019	Add GCN 45127, 45128, 44941 to Appendix A and D
July 1, 2019	Add GCN 44437, 44438, 44439, 44441, 44442, 44443 to Appendix A and D
July 1, 2019	Add GCN 46077, 46078 and 46079 to Appendix H
December 16, 2019	Remove GCN 46077, 46078, 46079 from Appendix H
April 1, 2021	Add GCN 47492 to Appendix A and Appendix D
April 1, 2021	Add GCNs 47229, 47232, 47233 to Appendix A and Appendix D
April 1, 2021	Add edit descriptions to Appendix A through Appendix H.
July 1, 2022	Add GCNs 50889, 50891, 49724, 49726, 49727, 49739 to Appendix A and D
July 1, 2022	Add GCNs 16382, 16383 to Appendix B and E
July 1, 2022	Add GCNs 49319, 49322, 49323, 49447, 49449, 49452 to Appendix C
July 1, 2022	Add GCNs 45948, 45949, 46126, 4627 to Appendix H
January 1, 2023	Change GCN 14975, 14973, 14974, 19885, 34734, 36463, 19881, 64673, 34905, 18974, 28959 quantity to 90 in Appendix C and Appendix H
January 1, 2023	Change GCN 33744, 37823 quantity to 60 in Appendix H