

Alameda Alliance for Health
FORMULARY UPDATE

Effective October 3, 2011

Alameda Alliance for Health Pharmacy & Therapeutics (P & T) Committee Decisions

The P & T Committee reviewed the efficacy, safety, cost, and utilization profiles of the following therapeutic categories at the September 1, 2011 meeting:

- Cardiovascular: Hyperlipidemia
- Pain Management: Migraine
- Gastrointestinal: Ulcer
- Pancreatic Enzymes
- Hepatitis C
- Smoking Cessation
- HIV: Adjunctive Medications

*The P & T Committee approved the following modifications to the formulary for the Alliance's Medi-Cal, Healthy Families, and Alliance Group Care programs:

Generic Name & Strength/Dosage Form	Brand Name	Committee Actions
OMEGA-3 ACID ETHYL ESTERS CAPSULES	LOVAZA	PA: ADD MESSAGE TO PHARMACY: USE FISH OIL
CHOLESTYRAMINE/SUCROSE PACKETS	QUESTRAN PACKETS	ADD MESSAGE TO PHARMACY: USE QUESTRAN LIGHT (GENERIC) PACKETS
CHOLESTYRAMINE/SUCROSE POWDER	QUESTRAN POWDER	ADD TO FORMULARY
BUTALBITAL/ASA/CAFFEINE CAPSULES	FIORINAL	ADD TO FORMULARY
ELETRIPTAN TABLETS	RELPAK TABLETS	ADD STEP-EDIT FOR SUMATRIPTAN TABLETS
OMEPRAZOLE 40MG CAPSULES	PRILOSEC	ADD MESSAGE TO PHARMACY: USE OMEPRAZOLE 20MG
PANCRELIPASE CAPSULES (ALL PANCREATIC ENZYMES)	ZENPEP, PANCREAZE, CREON	ADD TO FORMULARY TO APPROVE FOR AGE >21
NICOTINE PATCHES	NICODERM CQ	INCREASE QUANTITY LIMIT TO ALLOW 84 PER YEAR

*Note: Drugs removed from the formulary will NOT be grandfathered for utilizing members unless noted otherwise under "Committee Actions."