

MEDICATION PRIOR AUTHORIZATION REQUEST FORM FAX this completed form to 1-833-546-1507

OR Mail request to: Pharmacy Services Prior Authorization Dept. 5 River Park Place East, Suite 210 | Fresno, CA 93720

Call 1-866-399-0928 to request a 72-hour supply of medication. Pharmacy Services will respond via fax or phone within 24 hours of receipt of all necessary information, expect during weekends and holidays. For immediate response on weekends and holidays, NurseWise will answer your call.

Antidepressant < 6 years Note: Form must be completed in full. Recipient's Medicaid ID# Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY) Recipient's Full Name Prescriber's Full Name Prescriber's NPI Prescriber's Phone Number Prescriber's Fax Number ☐ No PROVIDER TYPE OR SPECIALTY: **CHILD UNDER STATE CARE/CUSTODY:** Yes MEDICATION REQUEST: PATIENT: ☐ Male ☐ Female New Continuation ☐ in / ☐ cm weight: ☐ lbs / ☐ kgs **BMI**: HEIGHT: *BMI %: BMI Calculator: * https://www.cdc.gov/healthyweight/bmi/calculator.html Medication: Strength: Quantity: Directions (with titration or taper if indicated): Target Symptoms (Check all that apply.): Diagnosis: □ Depressive, Sad Mood or Anhedonia ☐ Major Depressive Disorder ☐ Irritability ☐ Disruptive Mood Dysregulation Disorder ☐ Somatic Complaints ☐ Obsessive Compulsive Disorder ☐ Appetite Disturbances ☐ Generalized Anxiety Disorder ☐ Sleep Disturbances ☐ Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder ☐ Anxiety ☐ Panic Disorder ☐ Obsessions and/or Compulsions Other: ___ ☐ Aggression or self-injurious behavior Other: _ ☐ 1 Mild ☐ 2 Moderate ☐ 3 Marked 4 Severe **Severity of Target Symptoms:** ☐ 5 Extreme 1 Mild ☐ 2 Moderate ☐ 3 Marked ☐ 4 Severe ☐ 5 Extreme **Functional Impairment:** Previous Therapy (Pharmacological and Non-Pharmacological) including Effectiveness/Tolerability/Compliance: Next Appointment date: ____ Prescriber's Signature: _ Date:

REQUIRED FOR REVIEW: All copies of medical records (e.g., diagnostic evaluations and recent chart notes), and the most recent copies of related labs. The provider must retain copies of all documentation for five years.



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Review Criteria:

- The most current antidepressant prior authorization request form is required for review.
- All relevant sections of the antidepressant prior authorization form must be complete.
- The evaluation and progress notes must document target symptoms and behaviors.

Clinical Notes:

- Psychosocial treatments (e.g., dyadic therapy) must precede the use of psychotherapeutic medications and should continue if medications are prescribed.
- Risks and benefits should be carefully considered before prescribing an antidepressant.
- When discontinuing antidepressant medication prescribed for depression or anxiety, gradually taper down the dose to prevent discontinuation syndrome.

Calculation of BMI and BMI Percentile:

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) provides a *BMI Calculator for Children and Teens* that may be accessed at the following link: https://www.cdc.gov/healthyweight/bmi/calculator.html

Florida Medicaid Clinical Guidelines:

Access the following guidelines at http://floridabhcenter.org/index.html

- Principles of Practice Regarding the Use of Psychotropic Medication in Children Under Age 6
- Florida Medicaid Best Practice Psychotherapeutic Medication Guidelines for Children and Adolescents

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