



In the Know for Plans

In our continuing effort to manage plan and member costs, Beyond-Rx is pleased to present our newest program for Quantity Limitations (QL). QL Programs have established general parameters regarding the days supply and quantity of a given drug that a member may receive. QL programs control the quantity (number of units or tablets) or the number of prescriptions a member may receive for a specified drug. The QL program may work independently or as a supplement to a PA program.

The decision to institute a QL Program was made only after our P&T Committee comprised of physicians and pharmacists reviewed safety and efficacy information. The QL Program is an “opt out” program in which plans may choose not to participate.

Providing limitations on drug quantities covered under the plan does not prevent members from purchasing additional quantities themselves, but does limit the plan sponsor’s contribution. A member may use the same appeals process as with the prior authorization for reconsideration of quantity limitations.

THERAPUETIC CLASS and/or AGENT(S)	QUANTITY LIMITATION
5-HT_{1D} Receptor Antagonists “Triptans” (Migraines) Almotriptan (Axert), Naratriptan (Amerge), Sumatriptan (Imitrex), Rizatriptan (Maxalt), Zolmitriptan (Zomig), Frovatriptan (Frova) Eletriptan (Relpax)	Almotriptan (Axert) 6 tabs (1 box) per 30 days
	Naratriptan (Amerge) 9 tabs (1 pack) per 30 days
	Sumatriptan (Imitrex) 9 tabs (1 pack) per 30 days
	Sumatriptan (Imitrex Inj) 8 inj (4 kits) per 30 days
	Sumatriptan (Imitrex Nasal Spray) 6 unit doses per 30 days
	Rizatriptan (Maxalt) 6 tablets per 30 days
	Zolmitriptan (Zomig) 6 tablets per 30 days
	Frovatriptan (Frova) 9 tabs per 30 days

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PDE-5 Inhibitors (ED) Vardenafil (Levitra), Sildenafil (Revatio, Viagra), or Tadalafil (Cialis)	6 pills per 30 days
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Proton Pump Inhibitors (Acid Reflux) Omeprazole (Prilosec OTC), Esomeprazole (Nexium), Lansoprazole (Prevacid), Pantoprazole (Protonix), Rabeprazole (Aciphex)	30 pills per 30 days
Stadol Nasal Spray	2 canisters per 30 days
Toradol	200mg per 30 days
Advair Diskus (Asthma)	1 diskus per 30 days
Byetta	1 pre-filled pen per 30 days

An essential component to the success of this program is ensuring the transition of members from their current quantity to the new limited quantity. To ensure that patients are converted and the transition for members is made smoothly, the above listed dispensing level will be implemented automatically on Monday April 3, 2006 unless you notify BeyondRx of your intention not to participate in this cost saving plan.

When a pharmacist is presented with a prescription for drugs listed above, an electronic message would prompt the pharmacist on the maximum limitation of the QL Program. The pharmacist would then discuss with the member the QL Program and the current limit established. Members may use the same appeals process as with the prior authorization for reconsideration of quantity limitations and overrides may be allowed. Overrides will ONLY be provided for 1 refill at a time. Any request for a 2nd override will require medical proof of need by the prescriber and will be valid for 2 refills. Any additional requests will require further investigation with prescriber and review by clinical pharmacist.

If you have any further questions regarding the QL Program, please contact us at 913-661-0299. We look forward to continuing to serve you and your members.