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Harvard Pilgrim Health Care
StrideSM Basic Rx (HMO),
StrideSM Value Rx (HMO),
StrideSM Value Rx Plus (HMO), and
StrideSM Choice Rx (HMO-POS)

Step Therapy Requirements

Effective 02/01/2024



Harvard Pilgrim Health Care includes

Harvard Pilgrim Health Care and Harvard Pilgrim

Health Care of New England.

ANTIDEPRESSANTS

Products Affected

- Aplenzin
- Emsam

- Fetzima
- Fetzima Titration Pack

Details

Criteria

Bupropion, bupropion SR, bupropion XL, citalopram, desvenlafaxine ER, duloxetine delayed-release capsules, escitalopram, fluoxetine, fluoxetine delayed-release, fluvoxamine, fluvoxamine ER, paroxetine, paroxetine ER, sertraline, venlafaxine and venlafaxine ER are on Step-1 and are covered without prior authorization. Aplenzin, Emsam, and Fetzima are on Step-2 and will be covered if the member has filled for a Step-1 or Step-2 medication within the previous 180 days as evidenced by a paid claim or physician documentation. Aplenzin will be covered for members with a physician-documented diagnosis of seasonal affective disorder (SAD).

ATYPICAL ANTIPSYCHOTICS

Products Affected

- Asenapine Maleate Sl
- Fanapt

• Fanapt Titration Pack

Details

Criteria	Aripiprazole, lurasidone, olanzapine, olanzapine-fluoxetine, quetiapine, risperidone and ziprasidone are on Step-1 and covered without authorization. Asenapine and Fanapt are on Step-2 and will be covered if the member has filled for one or more Step-1 or Step-2 medications within the previous 180 days as evidenced by a paid claim or physician documentation.
	documentation.

FEBUXOSTAT

Products Affected

• Febuxostat

Details

Criteria	Allopurinol is on Step-1 and is covered without prior authorization.
	Febuxostat is on Step-2 and will be covered if the member has filled for a Step-1 medication within the previous 180 days as evidenced by a paid
	claim or physician documentation.

INHALED CORTICOSTEROIDS

Products Affected

- Flovent Diskus
- Fluticasone Propionate Diskus

• Fluticasone Propionate Hfa

Details

Criteria	QVAR is on Step-1 and covered without authorization. Fluticasone is on Step-2 and will be covered if the member has filled for one or more Step-
	1 medications within the previous 180 days as evidenced by a paid claim or physician documentation.

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