

To: AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana Providers

Date: December 29, 2017

Subject: Important Pharmacy Change – Methylphenidate and Quillichew Removal from Formulary

Summary: Effective February 1, 2018 Methylphenidate Chewables and Quillichew ER will be removed from the AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana formulary.

The following products will be removed from the AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana Formulary. Alternative products are listed for your convenience:

Formulary Removals	Formulary Alternatives
Methylphenidate Chewable 2.5mg Tablets	Methylin Solution 10mg/5ml
Methylphenidate Chewable 5mg Tablets	Methylin Solution 10mg/5ml
Methylphenidate Chewable 10mg Tablets	Methylin Solution 10mg/5ml
Quillichew ER 20mg Tablet	Vyvanse 50mg Capsule
Quillichew ER 30mg Tablet	Vyvanse 60mg Capsule
Quillichew ER 40mg Tablet	Vyvanse 70mg Capsule

What do you need to do?

By February 1, 2018:

- Write a new prescription for the formulary alternative product, if clinically appropriate, for your AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana patients currently receiving the medication listed above under “Formulary Removal”.
- If it is not clinically-appropriate to switch an AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana patient to the formulary alternative, you will need to request prior authorization for the patient to continue to receive coverage for the non-formulary medication.

What are we doing?

We will send written notification to members regarding these updates, allowing sufficient time to change to a formulary medication or to submit a request for prior authorization.

Questions:

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to the care of our members. If you have questions about this communication, please contact PerformRx Pharmacy Services at (800) 684-5502 or your Provider Network Management Account Executive.