

## Hot Tip: Medication Assisted Treatment for Opioid Use Disorder

Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield (Highmark BCBS) partners with Wellpoint companies to administer certain services to Medicaid Managed Care (MMC), Health and Recovery Plan (HARP), and Child Health Plus (CHPlus) members. Please note, this information is specific to the CHPlus program only.

Your Highmark BCBS patients may experience a pharmacy claim rejection when prescribed nonpreferred products. To avoid additional steps or delays at the pharmacy, consider prescribing preferred products whenever possible. Utilization management edits may apply to select preferred products. Coverage should be verified by reviewing the *Preferred Drug List (PDL)* on the Highmark BCBS provider website. The *PDL* is subject to change quarterly.

Therapeutic class	Preferred products <sup>1</sup>
Medication assisted treatment (MAT) for opioid use disorder	<ul> <li>Bunavail film² (buprenorphine/naloxone)</li> <li>Buprenorphine/naloxone SL film³ (generic Suboxone)</li> <li>Zubsolv SL tab⁴ (buprenorphine/naloxone)</li> <li>Suboxone SL film³ (buprenorphine/naloxone)</li> <li>Buprenorphine SL tab⁵ (generic Subutex)</li> <li>Buprenorphine/naloxone SL tab³ (generic Suboxone SL tablets)</li> <li>Naloxone syringe/vial</li> <li>Narcan Nasal Spray</li> <li>Sublocade injection</li> <li>Vivitrol injection</li> <li>Zimhi injection</li> </ul>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Concomitant therapy of MAT and opioid or central nervous system (CNS) stimulant will require prior authorization.

## **Quantity limits:**

- <sup>2</sup> Bunavail: Max 12.6/2.1 mg per day, strength-dependent (2 to 6 buccal films per day)
- <sup>3</sup> Suboxone films/SL tabs: Max 24 mg/6 mg per day, strength-dependent (2 to 12 films/SL tabs per day)
- <sup>4</sup> Zubsolv: Max 17.2/4.2 mg per day, strength-dependent (1 to 23 SL tabs per day)
- <sup>5</sup> Buprenorphine SL tab: Max 24 mg per day, strength dependent (3 to 12 tablets per day); max of 2-day supply for induction; Additional day supply requires prior authorization

If you have questions regarding this Hot Tip, call Provider Services at 866-231-0847.

The *PDL* is available at **mybcbswny.com/stateplans** > Provider > Eligibility & Pharmacy > Pharmacy Information.