

EXCEPTION DRUG STATUS

Application Process

Yukon physicians only may apply for Exception Drug Status. Applications must be submitted in writing, and must provide sufficient details to permit thorough, objective assessment. Comprehensive supporting information must be provided. **Please refer to “Exception Drug Status Table” (Green pages) for criteria.**

Initial 30 DAY Approval

When a physician prescribes an Exception drug, an Exception Drug Status Application must be submitted. To provide coverage until the application is reviewed, a 30-day approval for the patient may be requested by the pharmacist. The pharmacist must phone the respective drug program advising them. If the patient is active, the Exception drug will be covered for 30 days providing the drug is listed in the Formulary. All new drugs will be reviewed according to the Common Drug Review process before listing in the Formulary.

If the drug requires a “specialist recommendation” according to Exception criteria, the 30-day coverage will not be granted unless the specialist information is provided.

Examples of EXCEPTION DRUGS REQUIRING SPECIALIST RECOMMENDATION

(See detailed criteria in “Exception Drug Status Table” – Separate green pages)

Acitretin

Botulinum Toxin Type A

Clozapine

Dextroamphetamine

Epoetin alfa (see table)

Etanercept

Filgrastim

Glatiramer

Infliximab

Interferon alfa 2a (see table) & Interferon alfa 2b (see table)

Interferon beta-1A & Interferon beta-1B

Methylphenidate

Modafinil

Oxcarbazepine

Peginterferon alfa 2b (see table) & Ribavirin/interferon alfa 2b (see table)

Tacrolimus