



## SoonerCare Fax Blast

September 4, 2009

**SUBJECT: Pharmacy Update & Holiday Hours**

### **Advair® and Symbicort® Prior Authorization**

Prior authorization requirements take effect on September 16, 2009.

#### **Approval Criteria**

- 1) Diagnosis of COPD, or
- 2) Diagnosis of Asthma:
  - Member must be 4 years of age or older, and
  - Member must have used an inhaled corticosteroid for at least one month immediately prior to request for authorization, and
  - Member's asthma considered uncontrolled by the prescriber
    - Requires rescue inhaler more than 2 days per week for reasons other than prevention of exercise induced bronchospasms, and/or requires oral systemic corticosteroids, or
  - Clinical situation warranting initiation with combination therapy due to severity of asthma

#### **Pharmacy Help Desk Holiday Hours**

The OHCA Pharmacy Help Desk will observe the following hours for Labor Day weekend:

Friday 9/4/09	8:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Saturday 9/5/09	9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9/6/09	Closed
Monday 9/7/09	Closed
Tuesday 9/8/09	Resume Regular Hours

Pharmacy Help Desk Phone Numbers (405)522-6205 option 4 or (800)522-0114 option 4  
Service Hours: Monday – Friday (8:30a – 7:00p); Saturday (9:00a – 5:00p); Sunday  
(11:00a – 5:00p)

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