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Dear Physician,

Caterpillar continually reviews prescription drug coverage in an effort to promote cost-effective drug therapy. Recently, we reviewed the urinary antispasmodic drug class used to treat overactive bladder. Drugs in this class include generic **oxybutynin** (immediate release and extended release), **Ditropan[®]**, **Ditropan XL[®]**, **Detrol[®]**, **Detrol LA[®]**, **Oxytrol Patch[®]**, **Gelnique[®]**, **Enablex[®]**, **Sanctura[®]**, **Sanctura XR[®]**, **Toviaz[®]** and **Vesicare[®]**.

According to a recent review in March 2009 by Oregon Evidence-based Practice Center's *Drug Class Review on Agents for Overactive Bladder*, no drug in this class has proven superior in regards to efficacy. To date, no comprehensive comparative study has been published regarding adverse event profiles across this drug class. In addition, Caterpillar's claims data corroborate with the well-documented poor adherence rates for these drugs.

As a result, **beginning July 1, 2010**, Caterpillar's prescription drug benefit for current users of branded OABs will change:

- Before a branded OAB drug will be considered for coverage, documentation of previous use of generic oxybutynin must be provided by the physician through the prior authorization process. (Note: Gelnique[®], Sanctura XR[®] and Toviaz[®] are not covered products for all plans)
- Some participants will be required to pay a higher co-pay for branded medications in this class.

Prior authorization forms are located on CatHealthBenefits.com > For Providers > Prescription Drugs > Prior Authorization List/Forms.

Caterpillar is committed to developing coverage policies based on current published evidence. We will continue to keep participants and their healthcare providers informed of more cost-effective ways to use medications. If you have any questions, please contact us.

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