# **Drugs for Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy**

## Goal(s):

- Encourage use of corticosteroids which have demonstrated long-term efficacy
- Restrict use of eteplirsen and deflazacort to patients with Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy and limit use of deflazacort to patients with contraindications or serious intolerance to other oral corticosteroids

## **Length of Authorization:**

• 6 months

### **Requires PA:**

- Eteplirsen (billed as a pharmacy or physician administered claim)
- Deflazacort

## **Covered Alternatives:**

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at www.orpdl.org
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at www.orpdl.org/drugs/

Ap	Approval Criteria					
1.	What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.				
2.	Is the drug being used to treat an OHP-funded condition AND is the requested treatment funded by the OHP for that condition?  Note: Treatments referenced on an unfunded line of the prioritized list (http://www.oregon.gov/oha/HPA/CSI-	Yes: Go to #3	No: Pass to RPh. Deny; not funded by the OHP.			
	HERC/Pages/Prioritized-List.aspx) are not funded by the OHP.					
3.	Is the request for treatment of Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy?	Yes: Go to #4	No: Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.			
			Note: Eteplirsen and deflazacort are not indicated for other forms of muscular dystrophy or other diagnoses.			
4.	Is the request for continuation of eteplirsen treatment?	Yes: Go to Renewal Criteria	<b>No:</b> Go to #5			
5.	Is the request for deflazacort?	Yes: Go to #6	<b>No:</b> Go to #8			

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6. Is the patient ≥ 5 years of age?	Yes: Go to #7	No: Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.		
7. Does the patient have a documented contraindication or intolerance to oral prednisone that is not expected to crossover to deflazacort?	Yes: Approve for up to 12 months.  Document contraindication or intolerance reaction.	No: Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.  Recommend trial of another oral corticosteroid.		
<ul> <li>8. Does the patient have a diagnosis of Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy with one of the following genetic mutations amenable to exon 51 skipping: <ul> <li>Deletion of exons 45 to 50</li> <li>Deletion of exons 48 to 50</li> <li>Deletion of exons 49 and 50</li> <li>Deletion of exon 50 OR</li> <li>Deletion of exon 52?</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Yes: Go to #9  Document genetic testing.	No: Pass to RPh, Deny; medical appropriateness.		
Has the patient been on a stable dose of corticosteroid for at least 6 months?	<b>Yes:</b> Go to #10	No: Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.		
10. Has baseline functional assessment been evaluated using a validated tool such as the 6-minute walk test or North Star Ambulatory Assessment?	Yes: Document baseline functional assessment and approve for up to 6 months	No: Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.		

Renewal Criteria					
Has the patient's baseline functional status been maintained at or above baseline level or not declined more than expected given the natural disease progression?	Yes: Approve for up to 6 months  Document functional status.	<b>No:</b> Pass to RPh, Deny; medical appropriateness.			

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