

Market Applicability/Effective Date														
Market	FL & FHK	FL MMA	FL LTC	GA	KS	KY	LA	MD	NJ	NV	NY	TN	TX	WA
Applicable	X	NA	NA	X	NA	X	X	NA	X	X	X	NA	NA	NA

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Buprenorphine SL Tablets for Medication Assisted Treatment

Override(s)	Approval Duration
Quantity Limit	Initial Requests: 3 months Maintenance Therapy: Additional authorization required for each additional 12 months

Medications	Quantity Limit
buprenorphine 2mg sublingual tablet	12 tablets per 90 days
buprenorphine 8mg sublingual tablet	3 tablets per 90 days

****Washington Medicaid – See State Specific Mandates***

****Maryland Medicaid – See State Specific Mandates***

****Virginia Medicaid – See State Specific Mandates***

APPROVAL CRITERIA

Initial request for 12 tablets per day of the 2 mg strength OR 3 tablets per day of the 8 mg strength for continuation of therapy after induction dose may be approved if the following criteria are met;

- I. One of the following:
 - A. Individual is pregnant; **OR**
 - B. Individual has a documented allergic reaction to buprenorphine-naloxone (hypersensitivity to naloxone component);

Maintenance requests for 12 tablets per day of the 2 mg strength OR 3 tablets per day of the 8 mg strength may be approved if the following criteria are met:

- I. One of the following:
 - A. Individual is pregnant; **OR**
 - B. Individual has a documented allergic reaction to buprenorphine-naloxone (hypersensitivity to naloxone component)

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*****Note: Subutex (buprenorphine HCl) is NOT indicated for use to manage chronic pain*****

State Specific Mandates		
State name	Date effective	Mandate details (including specific bill if applicable)
Maryland MCD	01/01/15	Maryland: This procedure does not apply to Maryland members, as these medications are NOT covered by Amerigroup, but are covered under the Maryland Medicaid Mental Health Formulary program
Washington MCD	10/01/15	This policy does not apply to Washington. Please see state specific criteria (Buprenorphine Monotherapy policy for WA)
Virginia MCD	04/01/17	This policy does not apply to Virginia. Please see state specific criteria (Buprenorphine and buprenorphine-naloxone policy for VA)

Key References:

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This policy does not apply to health plans or member categories that do not have pharmacy benefits, nor does it apply to Medicare. Note that market specific restrictions or transition-of-care benefit limitations may apply.