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## MISCELLANEOUS DRUG CRITERIA

## **LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATION**: UP TO ONE YEAR

## **INITIAL REVIEW CRITERIA**:

- The patient has tried and failed medications on the Preferred Drug List or there is a reason (allergy, contraindication) that preferred drugs cannot be used; **AND**
- Documentation of previous trials such as progress notes, diagnostic evaluations and lab results are required;

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- If the request is for a brand name drug and the generic is preferred, a trial of the generic drug or rationale why the generic cannot be used is required; AND
- The drug is requested for a medically accepted indication; AND
- Dosage and administration does not exceed FDA approved maximum for the patient's indication.

## **CONTINUATION OF THERAPY:**

- The patient met initial review requirements; AND
- Clinical response to therapy submitted (supporting documentation required); AND
- Patient has not experienced any treatment-restricting adverse effects; AND
- Dosage and administration does not exceed FDA approved maximum for the patient's indication.

The list of preferred medications may be reviewed at the website below: http://ahca.myflorida.com/Medicaid/Prescribed Drug/pharm thera/fmpdl.shtml

Please utilize the miscellaneous drug criteria if no specific criteria or form is listed for the drug or its class on the following link below:

http://ahca.myflorida.com/Medicaid/Prescribed\_Drug/drug\_criteria.shtml