

DIVISION 80

PHARMACEUTICAL AGENTS

Conditions of Formulary Application

852-80-030 The following conditions apply to the formulary of pharmaceutical agents in 852-80-020 and 852-80-025:

(1) Doctors of optometry certified for Topical and Nontopical Therapeutic Pharmaceutical Agents may use, administer, and prescribe any and all over-the-counter pharmaceutical agents.

(2) Doctors of optometry certified for topical TPA use may use, administer and prescribe topical agents in Categories 1-16.

(3) Doctors of optometry certified for nontopical TPA use may use, administer and prescribe topical and nontopical agents in Categories 1-24 as indicated for procedures that are permitted under OAR Chapter 852, Division 20 - Standards of Optometric Practice.

(4) ~~}{Prior to instituting treatment with Anti-glaucoma medication, doctors of optometry shall consult with an ophthalmologist or other doctor of medicine or doctor of osteopathy licensed under ORS chapter 677.}~~

Doctors of Optometry treating a patient with antiglaucoma medication shall consult with an ophthalmologist if:

(a) The glaucoma progresses despite the use of two glaucoma medications;

(b) More than two medications are required to control the glaucoma;

(c) A secondary glaucoma develops.

(A) Glaucoma shall be considered to be progressing if, in comparison to prior examinations, there is a reproducible worsening of the patient's visual field as measured by standard threshold testing or if there is a worsening of the patient's optic nerve as measured by direct observation or standard imaging technology or by rising eye pressure despite the use of two or more medications.

(B) Glaucoma shall be considered to be under control if target eye pressure, individualized for each patient, is maintained with no abnormal glaucomatous progression.

(C) A combination medication that contains two pharmacologic agents shall be considered one medication.

(5) Doctors of optometry certified for nontopical TPA shall consult with a doctor of medicine or doctor of osteopathy, licensed under chapter 677, prior to extending treatment with nontopical corticosteroids or Schedule III analgesics beyond 7 days. They should be diligent in preventing the diversion of drugs for illegitimate purposes.

(6) Doctors of optometry may not use, administer or prescribe agents classified principally as anti-neoplastics.

(7) Doctors of optometry may use or administer pharmaceutical agents in cases of emergency requiring immediate attention.

(8) Doctors of optometry certified for nontopical TPA with injections (ATI) use, may administer subcutaneous and subconjunctival injections. Sub-Tenon, retrobulbar, intraocular and botulinum toxin injections are excluded.

(9) Doctors of optometry certified for nontopical TPA use, may administer oral pre-medication for light sedation. Conscious sedation, deep sedation or general anesthesia are excluded.

Stat. Auth.: ORS Chapter 683; ORS Chapter 182
Stats. Implemented: ORS 683.240, 683.270 & ORS 182.466

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