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Monthly Top 10 Rx Rejections & Alternatives

Absolute Total Care appreciates the quality healthcare you provide to our members, and we are committed to giving you a new level of service excellence in everything we do for you! It is our goal to keep you updated about developments and issues affecting you and your practice. These *Posts* will also be placed on our website for your convenience. (www.absolutetotalcare.com)

Absolute Total Care occasionally contacts physicians with information about non-Preferred drug prescribing. This fax is intended simply to inform you, not to replace your clinical expertise.

Our records indicate that the top ten (10) prescriptions listed in the table below were recently prescribed and attempted to be filled by the pharmacist. However, the prescriptions denied at the point-of-sale because there are Preferred Drug List (PDL) alternatives available that may not have been tried. Possible PDL alternative(s) include but are not limited to the following:

Non-PDL	PDL alternative 1*	PDL alternative 2*
Nexium Cap - 40mg	Omeprazole Cap - 20mg, 40mg	Prevacid 24HR - OTC Only
Cymbalta Cap - 60mg	Use Generic for Effexor - XR, Celexa, Paxil	Use Generic for Zoloft, Elavil
Lansoprazole Cap - 30mg	Omeprazole Cap - 20mg, 40mg	Prevacid 24HR - OTC Only
Cymbalta Cap - 30mg	Use Generic for Effexor - XR, Celexa, Paxil	Use Generic for Zoloft, Elavil
Lexapro Tab - 10mg	Citalopram Hydrobromide Tab	Paroxetine Mesylate
Vyvanse Cap - 30mg	Amphetamine - Dextroamphetamine Cap SR	Dextroamphetamine Sulfate Tab
Symbicort Aer 160-4.5	Formoterol Fumarate Inhal Cap; Fluticasone-Salmeterol Inhal Aer	Salmeterol Xinafoate Aer Powder
Lexapro Tab - 20mg	Citalopram Hydrobromide Tab	Paroxetine Mesylate
Chantix Pak - 0.5 & 1mg	Bupropion HCl (Smoking Deterrent) Tab SR 150 MG	Nicotine TD Patch 24HR 7 MG/24HR
Vyvanse Cap - 20mg	Amphetamine - Dextroamphetamine Cap SR	Dextroamphetamine Sulfate Tab

* See PDL or contact US Script at 1-866-399-0928 for additional alternatives

We welcome your calls and comments. If you have suggestions on how we can improve the way we provide service to you, we want to know! Please contact your Provider Relations Representative or call our offices at **1-866-433-6041**.

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In the future, please consider a PDL agent as the 1st line agent. If you would like for your patient to be on a non-PDL agent, then please submit a prior authorization request. For comments or questions about information in this letter, please call Absolute Total Care at 1-866-433-6041.

Absolute Total Care, with the assistance of independent clinicians on our Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee, has developed a Preferred Drug List (PDL) of medications recommended for use by our members. A preferred medication is identified after a thorough review of medications by physicians and pharmacists for safety and effectiveness. If these evaluations are equal, the cost is then considered.

A copy of the Absolute Total Care PDL is available at our website (www.absolutetotalcare.com).

We appreciate your support of the Absolute Total Care formulary.

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