



Healthcare Exchange PA Criteria Effective: November 2015

Prior Authorization: Freedom Contraceptives

Products Affected: Amethia/Lo, Balcoltra, Beyaz, Brevicon, Camrese/Lo, Cyclessa, Desogen, Ella, Estrostep FE, Falessa, Femcon, Generess FE, Loestrin/FE, Lo Loestrin FE, Loestrin-24 FE, Lo-ovral, LoSeasonique, Lybrel, Microgestin 24 FE, Mimvey, Minastrin FE 24, Mircette, Modicon, Natazia, Nordette, Norinyl, Ocella, Ortho-Cept, Ortho-Cyclen, Ortho Micronor, Ortho-Novum, Ortho Tri-Cyclen, Ortho Tri-Cyclen Lo, Ovcon, Ovrette, Quartette, Safyral, Seasonale, Seasonique, Taytulla, Tri-Norinyl, Twirla, Viorele, Xulane, Yasmin, Yaz, Zarah, Zenchent/FE

Medication Description: Contraceptives lower the risk of becoming pregnant primarily by suppressing ovulation. Other possible mechanisms may include cervical mucus changes that inhibit sperm penetration and endometrial changes that reduce the likelihood of implantation.

Covered Uses: Oral Contraceptives are FDA approved for the prevention of pregnancy.

Exclusion Criteria: N/A

Required Medical Information:

1. Diagnosis
2. Past medication trials

Age Restrictions: N/A

Prescriber Restrictions: N/A

Coverage Duration: 12 months

Other Criteria: Coverage of Brand Name Contraceptives are covered only if the following prior authorization criteria are met:

1. Patient has an intolerance to, or treatment failure of, 3 trials of generic oral contraceptives from 3 different classes, as per the chart below

LOW-DOSE MONOPHASIC PILLS

Aubra, Aviane Falmina Lessina levonorgestrel/EE Lutera Orsythia Sronyx	EE 20 mcg	Levonorgestrel 0.1 mg
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<p>Gildess 1/20 Gildess Fe 1/20 Junel 1/20 Junel Fe 1/20 Microgestin 1/20 Microgestin Fe 1/20 Trina Fe 1/20</p>	<p>EE 20 mcg</p>	<p>Norethindrone acetate 1mg</p>
<p>Layolis Fe norethindrone/EE/ferrous fumarate</p>	<p>EE 25 mcg</p>	<p>Norethindrone 0.8 mg</p>
<p>Altavera Chateal Kurvelo Levora Marlissa Portia-28</p>	<p>EE 30 mcg</p>	<p>Levonorgestrel 0.15 mg</p>
<p>Cryselle-28 Elinest Low-Ogestrel-28</p>	<p>EE 30 mcg</p>	<p>Norgestrel 0.3 mg</p>
<p>Gildess 1.5/30 Gildess Fe 1.5/30 Junel 1.5/30 Junel Fe 1.5/30 Larin 1.5/30 Larin Fe 1.5/30 Microgestin 1.5/30 Microgestin Fe 1.5/30</p>	<p>EE 30 mcg</p>	<p>Norethindrone acetate 1.5 mg</p>
<p>Apri desogestrel/EE Emoquette Enskyce Reclipsen</p>	<p>EE 30 mcg</p>	<p>Desogestrel 0.15 mg</p>
<p>drospirenone/EE Syeda</p>	<p>EE 30 mcg</p>	<p>Drospirenone 3 mg</p>

<p>Kelnor 1/35 Zovia 1/35</p>	<p>EE 35 mcg</p>	<p>Ethinodiol diacetate 1mg</p>
<p>Estarylla Mono-Linyah MonoNessa norgestimate/EE Previfem Sprintec</p>	<p>EE 35 mcg</p>	<p>Norgestimate 0.25 mg</p>
<p>Necon 1/50</p>	<p>Mestranol 50 mcg</p>	<p>Norethindrone 1 mg</p>
<p>Balziva Briellyn Gildagia Philith Vyfemla Wymzya Fe chewable</p>	<p>EE 35 mcg</p>	<p>Norethindrone 0.4 mg; total of 8.4 mg/cycle.</p>
<p>Necon 0.5/35 Nortrel 0.5/35 Wera</p>	<p>EE 35 mcg</p>	<p>Norethindrone 0.5 mg; total of 10.5 mg/cycle</p>
<p>Alyacen 1/35 Cyclafem 1/35 Dasetta 1/35 Necon 1/35-28 Nortrel 1/35 Pirmella 1/35</p>	<p>EE 35 mcg</p>	<p>Norethindrone 1 mg; total of 21 mg/cycle.</p>

HIGH-DOSE MONOPHASIC PILLS

Ogestrel 0.5/50-28	EE 50 mcg	Norgestrel 0.5 mg
Zovia 1/50-28	EE 50 mcg	Ethinodiol diacetate 1mg

BIPHASIC PILLS

Azurette Kariva	EE 20 mcg x 21 days, placebo x 2 days, 10 mcg x 5 days.	Desogestrel 0.15 mg x 21 days
Zovia 1/50-28	EE 50 mcg	Ethinodiol diacetate 1mg

TRIPHASIC PILLS

Tilia Fe Tri-Legest Fe-28	EE 20 mcg x 5 days, 30 mcg x 7 days, 35 mcg x 9 days.	Norethindrone acetate 1 mg x 21 days
Norgestimate/EE	EE 25 mcg x 21 days	Norgestimate 0.18 mg x 7 days, 0.215 mg x 7 days, 0.25 mg x 7 days.
Caziant Velivet	EE 25 mcg x 21 days	Desogestrel 0.1 mg x 7 days, 0.125 mg x 7 days, 0.15 mg x 7 days.
Enpresse-28 Levonest Myzitra Trivora	EE 30 mcg x 6 days, 40 mcg x 5 days, 30 mcg x 10 days.	Levonorgestrel 0.05 mg x 6 days, 0.075 mg x 5 days, 0.125 mg x 10 days. Total of 1.925 mg/cycle.
Norgestimate/EE Tri-Estarylla Tri-Linyah TriNessa Tri-Previfem Tri-Sprintec	EE 35 mcg x 21 days	Norgestimate 0.18 mg x 7 days, 0.215 mg x 7 days, 0.25 mg x 7 days.

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<p>Alyacen 7/7/7 Cyclafem 7/7/7 Dasetta 7/7/7 Nortrel 7/7/7 Necon 7/7/7 Pirmella 7/7/7</p>	<p>EE 35 mcg x 21 days</p>	<p>Norethindrone 0.5 mg x 7 days, 0.75 mg x 7 days, 1 mg x 7 days. Total of 15.75 mg/cycle.</p>
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EXTENDED-CYCLE PILLS

<p>Larin 1/20 Larin 1/20 Fe</p>	<p>EE 20 mcg x 24 days</p>	<p>Norethindrone acetate 1mg x 24 days</p>
<p>levonorgestrel/EE</p>	<p>EE 20 mcg x 84 days, 10 mcg x 7 days</p>	<p>Levonorgestrel 0.1 mg x 84 days</p>
<p>Introvale Jolessa levonorgestrel/EE Quasense</p>	<p>EE 30 mcg x 84 days</p>	<p>Levonorgestrel 0.15 mg x 84 days</p>
<p>Ashlyna</p>	<p>EE 30 mcg x 84 days</p>	<p>Levonorgestrel 0.15 mg</p>
<p>Daysee</p>	<p>10 mcg x 7 days</p>	<p>x 84 days</p>
<p>Glanvi Loryna Nikki Vestura</p>	<p>EE 20 mcg x 24 days</p>	<p>Drospirenone 3 mg x 24 days</p>

CONTINUOUS-CYCLE PILLS

Amethyst (No pill-free interval)	EE 20 mcg	Levonorgestrel 90 mcg
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PROGESTIN-ONLY PILLS - “Mini-pill”

Camila Errin Heather Jencycla Jolivette Lyza Nor-QD Nora-BE norethindrone 0.35 mg	Not applicable	Norethindrone 0.35 mg
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References:

1. Facts & Comparisons Online
2. Pharmacists Letter, 2013; 29 (3): 290305, Chart--Comparison of Oral Contraceptives and NonOral Alternatives; Full Update June 2015

Policy Revision history

Rev #	Type of Change	Summary of Change	Sections Affected	Date
1	New Policy	New Policy	All	November 2015

2	Update	Moved to updated template CCI Revision Record: 8/16, 2/17, 7/18	All	2/5/2020
3	Update	Added Twirla to Products Affected	Products Affected	7/13/2020

