Required File Format = ASCII File - Tab Delimited

Do not include a header record

Filename extension should be ".TXT"

During the initial formulary submission period (March 28 – April 18, 2011) the file must include all drugs in the formulary. All records must have ADD for the Change_Type.

After the initial formulary submission period the file must include only changes.

Field Name	Field Type	Field Length	Field Description	Sample Field Value(s)
Change_Type	CHAR	3	Defines the type of change that is being made to the formulary. During the initial formulary submission period, all rows must be "ADD."	ADD = Add RxCUI to formulary DEL = Delete RxCUI from formulary UPD = Change fields in the existing RxCUI
RxCUI	NUMBER Always Required	Maximum of 8 digits	RxNorm concept unique identifier from the active Formulary Reference File.	210597
Tier_Level	CHAR Always Required	2	Defines the Cost Share Tier Level Associated with the drug. Assumption is that the drug is assigned to only one tier value. These values are consistent with the selection of tier level options available to data entry users in the Plan Benefit Package software.	1 = Tier Level 1 2 = Tier Level 2 3 = Tier Level 3 4 = Tier Level 4 5 = Tier Level 5 6 = Tier Level 6
Drug_Type_Label	CHAR Always Required	1	Defines the Drug Type Label for the drug. Enter the label value for the Drug Type from the defined list of labels.	1 = Generic 2 = Preferred Generic 3 = Non-Preferred Generic 4 = Brand 5 = Preferred Brand 6 = Non-Preferred Brand
Quantity_Limit_YN	CHAR Always Required	1	Does the drug have a quantity limit restriction?	0 = No Quantity Limits 1 = Quantity Limits Apply

Quantity_Limit_A mount	NUM Sometimes Required	7	If Quantity_Limit_YN = 1 (Limits Apply), enter the quantity limit unit amount for a given prescription or time period. The units for this amount must be defined by a unit of measure e.g. number of tablets, milliliters, grams, etc. If the Quantity_Limit_YN = 0 (No Limits), leave this field blank. The maximum number of decimal points that will be accepted is 5., i.e., "9.99999." The maximum number that will be accepted is "9999.99."	9
Quantity_Limit_Da ys	NUM Sometimes Required	3	Enter the number of days associated with the quantity limit. If the Quantity_Limit_YN field is 0 (No), then leave this field blank. The maximum number that will be accepted is "999".	60 (e.g. 9 pills every 60 days) (e.g. 9 injections every 60 days)
Prior_Authorizatio n_Type	CHAR Always Required	1	Is prior authorization required for the drug?	0 = No Prior Authorization 1 = Prior Authorization Applies 2 = Prior Authorization Applies to New Starts Only 3 = Part D vs. Part B Prior Authorization Only
Prior_Authorizatio n_Group_Desc	CHAR Sometimes Required	100	Description of the drug's prior authorization group as it will appear on the submitted prior authorization attachment. The group name may represent a drug category or class or may simply be the name of the drug if no other grouping structure applies. If Prior_Authorization_Type is 0 (No) or 3 (Part D. vs. Part B Authorization Only), then leave this field blank.	Antiemetics
Limited_Access_Y N	CHAR Always Required	1	Is access to this drug limited to certain pharmacies?	0 = No 1 = Yes
Therapeutic_Cate gory_Name	CHAR Always Required	100	Enter the name of the category for the drug.	Analgesics
Therapeutic_Class _Name	CHAR Always Required	100	Enter the name of the class for the drug.	Opioid Analgesics

Step_Therapy_Ty pe	CHAR Always Required	1	Does step therapy apply to this drug?	0 = No Step Therapy Applies 1 = Step Therapy Applies
				2 = Step Therapy Applies to New Starts Only
Step_Therapy_Tot al_Groups	NUM Sometimes Required	2	Enter the total number of step therapy drug treatment groups in which the drug is included.	3
			If response to Step_Therapy_Type = 0 (No), then leave this field blank.	
			The maximum number that will be accepted is "99."	

The remaining two fields described below should be repeated as a group or unit in the file.

For example, for a given drug used in multiple Step Therapy programs, the values for Step_Therapy_Group_Desc = "CHF Therapy" and Step_Therapy_Step_Value = 4 should be included in adjacent columns in the file. Likewise, the values for Step_Therapy_Group_Desc = "Angina Therapy" and Step_Therapy_Step_Value = 1 should be included in additional adjacent columns in the file. Likewise, the values for Step_Therapy_Group_Desc = "CVD Therapy" and Step_Therapy_Step_Value = 5 should be included in additional adjacent columns in the file.

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Step_Therapy_Gr oup_Desc	CHAR Sometimes Required	100	Description of step therapy drug treatment group. Field should be repeated in the record based upon number of groups declared in Step_Therapy_Total_Groups.	Step_Therapy_Gro up_Desc = "CHF Therapy"
				Step_Therapy_Gro up_Desc = "Angina Therapy"
			If response to Step_Therapy_Type = 0 (No), then leave this field blank.	Step_Therapy_Gro up_Desc = "CVD Therapy"
			Note: For a given Rx CUI, each Group Description must be unique.	
			Note: For each Step Therapy Group Description, there must be a Rx CUI with a Step Therapy Value equal to 1.	

Step_Therapy_Ste p_Value	NUM Sometimes Required	2	Identifies the step number or level within the sequence for the Step Therapy Group. Field should be repeated in the record based upon the number of groups declared in Step_Therapy_Total_Groups AND in the same order as Step_Therapy_Group_Desc If response to Step_Therapy_Type = 0	Step_Therapy_Ste p_Value = 4 (e.g. Step 4 of 6) Step_Therapy_Ste p_Value = 1 (e.g. Step 1 of 3) Step_Therapy_Ste p_Value = 5 (e.g. Step 5 of 5)
			(No), then leave this field blank. The range of valid accepted values is 1 to 99. Note: For each Step Therapy Group Description, there must be a Rx CUI with a Step Therapy Value equal to 1.	

Please Note: Certain characters are restricted from HPMS. The submitted file will be rejected if any of the following characters are included in any field: 1) greater than sign (>), 2) less than sign (<), and 3) semicolon (;).