Alabama Medicaid Tobacco Treatment Coverage

Covered Services/Medication

1.800.QUITNOW

QUITNOWALABAMA.COM

1-800-784-8669

Free tobacco cessation counseling is provided through the Alabama Tobacco Quitline.

Refer patient to Quitline by faxing signed referral consent form to the Quitline at 1-800-692-9023. Consent form can be found at <u>https://www.alabamapublichealth.gov/tobacco/assets/faxreferralform.pdf</u>

Required steps for medication approval by Medicaid:

- 1. Prescribe any of the seven approved medications** for cessation, if patient is eligible.
- 2. Fax **both** the Alabama Medicaid Pharmacy Smoking Cessation Prior Authorization (PA) Request Form **AND** the Quitline referral form to Acentra Health, 1-800-748-0116. PA Form is available at https://www.alabamapublichealth.gov/tobacco/assets/priorauthorizationform.pdf
- 3. Fax Quitline referral form to Quitline at 1-800-692-9023.

Plan First Recipients do not require prior approval for smoking cessation products. The Smoking Cessation Prior Authorization Request Form should not be submitted for those recipients.

**Approved cessation medications include nicotine patches, gum, lozenges, inhalers, nasal spray, varenicline and Bupropion SR, according to <u>Treating Tobacco Use and Dependence</u>, <u>U.S. Clinical Practice</u> <u>Guidelines, 2008</u>.