

**Workgroup Recommendations**  
**Ongoing Work related to Pre-Authorization under the Pharmacy Benefit**

The workgroup recommends ongoing work to be coordinated by OneHealthPort.

A. Collaborative processes towards:

1. Implementation of the Best Practice Recommendations (BPRs)

- a. Establish implementation timeframes that are reasonable for all stakeholders. These timeframes should consider capital costs and operational expenses issues identified in the ‘Direction Document Getting to the Future State’.
- b. Facilitate pilot efforts between stakeholder organization to understand implementation issues and address them.

2. Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI)

Perform Continuous Quality Improvement activities through a multi-disciplinary group representing pharmacists, prescribers and health plans. Activities will include:

- a. Monitor implementation of BPRs and respond to design and usability questions if/as they arise
- b. Review/refine the Emergency Fill guidelines ~~inclusion list~~ in an evidence based manner
- c. Validate alignment of implementation with the BPR
- d. Refine/update the BPR as appropriate

3. Getting to the Future state

Develop Best Practice Recommendations related to the Future State practices and tools in accordance with the Guiding Principles Operational Characteristics outlined in the ‘Direction Document Getting to the Future State’.

B. Outreach efforts to include but not be limited to:

1. Support Washington State Department of Health in encouraging provider organizations that prescribe medications to implement the Best Practice Recommendations.

2. Support Washington State Medical Association (WSMA) and Washington State Hospital Association (WSHA) in promoting implementation of the Best Practice Recommendations across their memberships.
3. Support Washington State Pharmacy Association (WSPA) in promoting implementation of the Best Practice Recommendations across their membership.
4. Support Association of Washington Health Plans (AWHP), and other appropriate organizations, in promoting implementation of the Best Practice Recommendations across their membership, other health plans licensed in Washington State and contracted entities of health plans, e.g. PBMs, software vendors, etc.