

## State of California—Health and Human Services Agency California Department of Public Health



Office of AIDS (OA)
AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP)

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TO: ADAP ENROLLMENT WORKERS

SUBJECT: ADDITION OF LAMIVUDINE/TENOFOVIR DISOPROXIL FUMARATE (CIMDUO™) AND EFAVIRENZ/LAMIVUDINE/TENOFOVIR DISOPROXIL FUMARATE (SYMFI™) TO THE ADAP FORMULARY

**Effective March 8, 2019**, lamivudine/tenofovir disoproxil fumarate (Cimduo<sup>™</sup>) and efavirenz/lamivudine/tenofovir disoproxil fumarate (Symfi<sup>™</sup>) have been added to the ADAP formulary.

Cimduo™, a two-drug combination of lamivudine 300 mg and tenofovir disoproxil fumarate 300 mg, both nucleoside analog reverse transcriptase inhibitors, received Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approval on February 28, 2018. Cimduo™ was approved as a once-daily single-tablet combination regimen for the treatment of HIV-1 infection. The ADAP Medical Advisory Committee (MAC) voted for the addition of Cimduo™ to the ADAP formulary.

Symfi<sup>™</sup>, a three-drug combination of efavirenz 600 mg, lamivudine 300 mg, and tenofovir disoproxil fumarate 300 mg, received FDA approval on March 28, 2018, as a once-daily complete single-tablet regimen for the treatment of HIV-1 infection. The ADAP MAC voted on the addition Symfi<sup>™</sup> to the ADAP formulary.

Although these combination drugs were approved by the FDA in February and March of 2018 respectively, the manufacturer of Cimduo<sup>™</sup> and Symfi<sup>™</sup> announced that the medications would not be available until the second quarter of 2018. Due to the delayed release date, ADAP was unable to determine finalized pricing until mid-February of 2019.

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ADAP management requests that you the share this information with your clinical leadership team and local prescribers. The <u>ADAP drug formulary</u> has been updated to reflect the addition of Cimduo<sup>™</sup> and Symfi<sup>™</sup>; it can be accessed at the following url: (<a href="https://cdph.magellanrx.com/member/documents">https://cdph.magellanrx.com/member/documents</a>).

If you have any questions regarding the addition of these medications to the ADAP formulary, please contact Cynthia Reed-Aguayo, ADAP Specialist, at (916) 449-5791.

Thank you,

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