

## FORMULARY MANAGEMENT

**A**t Northwest Pharmacy Services our formulary is developed and approved by an independent Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee. When considering a drug for inclusion on the formulary, the decisions are based on specific criteria which include:

- ⦿ **Efficacy**
- ⦿ **Safety**
- ⦿ **Uniqueness**
- ⦿ **Cost**

Medical and pharmacy experts research the medical literature for “best practices” and utilize evidence and value-based decision making to compare data that determines inclusion/exclusion to the formulary. Our formulary products are selected based on health outcome criteria. Cost is considered only after other criteria have been evaluated and is never a consideration if it compromises the quality of care.

We believe a well-managed formulary can have a positive effect on both patient outcomes and total medical care cost. Using flexible plan design, measurement and expertise, Northwest Pharmacy Services can develop the appropriate formulary for varying member populations helping our clients increase member satisfaction, improve outcomes, and reduce costs.

