Tobacco Cessation

Adults who are not pregnant:

The USPSTF recommends that clinicians ask all adults about tobacco use, advise them to stop using tobacco, and provide behavioral interventions and U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)—approved pharmacotherapy for cessation to adults who use tobacco.

CVS Caremark Recommendation

- No prior authorization of tobacco cessation products
- Limit of 168 day supply of each product in one year of treatment
- Coverage includes generic nicotine replacement products (nicotine patch, gum and lozenges), brand Nicotrol (inhaler system), brand Nicotrol NS (nasal spray), brand Chantix and generic Zyban
- Generics and single source brands
- Brands until generics become available
- Rx or OTC (requires prescription)

GPI Description*

- Bupropion HCl tab SR 12hr 150 mg
- Nicotine TD patch 24 hr 21 mg, 14 mg & 7 mg/24hr
- Nicotine polacrilex gum 2 mg & 4 mg
- Nicotine polacrilex lozenge 2 mg & 4 mg
- Nicotine inhaler system 10 mg (4 mg delivered)
 - Nicotrol brand
- Nicotine nasal spray 10 mg/mL (0.5 mg/spray)
 - Nicotrol NS brand
- Varenicline tartrate tab 0.5 mg (base equiv) & 1 mg (base equiv)
 - Chantix brand
- Varenicline tartrate tab 0.5 mg X 11 tabs & 1 mg X 42 pack
 - Chantix brand