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The FS for SB 509 requires any health insurance plan, benefit plan, or utilization review organization that delivers step therapy programs after January 1, 2020, to use recognized, evidence-based and peer-reviewed clinical practice guidelines when establishing any step therapy protocol. Health insurance carriers will also be required to provide clear guidelines as to how a patient may request an exception to restrictions implemented by a step therapy program. The form or process to request such an exception must be on the carrier's website. The carrier must grant the exemption if certain conditions are met and must respond within 72 hours of a request.

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