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**To:** Eide, Tamara J.  
**Subject:** Latuda - Medicaid Formulary

Idaho Medicaid Pharmacy & Therapeutics Committee,

I would like to strongly advocate for inclusion of Latuda on the Idaho Medicaid formulary. This medication, in my practice/experience, has been very effective for mood instability, depression and psychosis. Across many demographic groups and diagnoses, I have seen this medication be life changing and significantly improve function and quality of life for individuals with even severe mental health conditions. The reported adverse side effects that I encounter are significantly lower than any other atypical antipsychotic that I prescribe. In my opinion, the efficacy that this medication provides saves many clients from inpatient hospitalizations, and the state of Idaho many thousands of dollars as a result.

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