



SmartPA Criteria Proposal

Drug/Drug Class:	Dry Eye Disease Agents PDL Edit
First Implementation Date:	January 1, 2020
Proposed Date:	September 16, 2021
Prepared For:	MO HealthNet
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Criteria Status:	⊠Existing Criteria □Revision of Existing Criteria □New Criteria

Executive Summary

Purpose: The MO HealthNet Pharmacy Program will implement a state-specific preferred drug list.

Why Issue Selected:

Dry eye disease (DED), also known as keratoconjunctivitis sicca, is a condition in which a person lacks enough quality tears to lubricate and nourish the eye and effects 6.8 percent of the US adult population. Treatments for DED aim to restore or maintain the normal amount of tears in the eye to minimize dryness and related discomfort. This can be achieved by supplementing tear production, slowing resorption and evaporation of tears from the surface of the eye or reducing inflammation. Topical cyclosporine (Restatsis® and Cequa™) and topical lifitegrast (Xiidra®) are the market leaders in treatment of DED. Cyclosporine is a topical immunosuppressive that prevents activation and nuclear translocation of cytoplasmic transcription factors that are required for T-cell activation and inflammatory cytoline production. Lifitegrast is a lymphocyte function-associated antigen 1 (LFA-1) antagonist which works via integrin inhibition that ultimately down-regulates inflammation mediated T lymphocytes.

Total program savings for the PDL classes will be regularly reviewed.

Program-Specific	Preferred Agents	Non-Preferred Agents
Information:	Restasis®	• Cequa [™]
	Xiidra [®]	Restatis Multidose®
Type of Criteria:	☐ Increased risk of ADE	□ Preferred Drug List
	☐ Appropriate Indications	☐ Clinical Edit
Data Sources:	☐ Only Administrative Databases	□ Databases + Prescriber-Supplied

Setting & Population

- Drug class for review: Dry Eye Disease Agents
- Age range: All appropriate MO HealthNet participants

Approval Criteria

- Failure to achieve desired therapeutic outcomes with trial on 2 or more preferred agents:
 - Documented trial period for preferred agents OR
 - Documented ADE/ADR to preferred agents

Denial Criteria

- Lack of adequate trial on required preferred agents
- Therapy will be denied if all approval criteria are not met

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Disposition of Edit

Denial: Exception Code "0160" (Preferred Drug List)

Rule Type: PDL

Default Approval Period

1 year

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