



SmartPA Criteria Proposal

Drug/Drug Class:	Beta Adrenergic Agents, Long Acting PDL Edit	
First Implementation Date:	November 10, 2004	
Proposed Date:	April 18, 2023	
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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: Long-acting beta-agonists open the airways by relaxing smooth muscle around the airways. They do not decrease inflammation of pulmonary tissues and are often used with inhaled steroids as a long-term control medication to open the airways in people with moderate to severe asthma.

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

Program-Specific	Preferred Agents	Non-Preferred Agents
Information:	Serevent [®] Diskus	Arformoterol
		• Brovana [®]
		Formoterol
		Perforomist [®]
		Striverdi [®] Respimat [®]
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: Beta Adrenergic Agents, Long Acting
- Age range: All appropriate MO HealthNet participants

Approval Criteria

- For non-preferred agents:
 - o Failure to achieve desired therapeutic outcomes with trial on 1 or more preferred agents
 - Documented trial period of preferred agent OR
 - Documented ADE/ADR to preferred agent AND
 - For Formoterol: documented therapeutic trial of Arformoterol

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Denial Criteria

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

Required Documentation

Laboratory Results: MedWatch Form:

Progress	Notes:
Other:	

Disposition of Edit

Denial: Exception Code "0160" (Preferred Drug List) Rule Type: PDL

Default Approval Period

1 year

References

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