

SmartPA Criteria Proposal

Drug/Drug Class:	Ranexa Clinical Edit
First Implementation Date:	June 13, 2007
Revised Date:	February 18, 2021
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Criteria Status:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Existing Criteria <input type="checkbox"/> Revision of Existing Criteria <input type="checkbox"/> New Criteria

Executive Summary

Purpose: Ensure appropriate utilization and control of Ranexa® (ranolazine)

Why Issue Selected: Ranexa® (ranolazine) was initially FDA approved in 2006. Ranexa is indicated for the treatment of chronic angina. According to the 2012 American College of Cardiology Foundation/American Heart Association guidelines for patients with stable ischemic heart disease, Ranexa may be useful when prescribed as a substitute for beta-blockers for relief of symptoms if initial treatment with beta-blockers leads to unacceptable side effects, is less effective, or if initial treatment with beta-blockers is contraindicated. The guidelines also state Ranexa may be used in combination with beta-blockers for relief of symptoms when initial treatment with beta-blockers is not successful. The mechanism of action of Ranexa's antianginal effects has not been determined. First line therapies for chronic angina include nitrates, beta-blockers, and calcium channel blockers; therapy with Ranexa should be reserved as a second line therapy.

Program-Specific Information:

Date Range FFS 7-1-2019 to 6-30-2020				
Drug	Claims	Spend	Cost per tablet	Avg spend per claim
RANEXA ER 500 MG TABLET	2,096	\$136,287.96	\$0.49 NADAC	\$65.02
RANEXA ER 1,000 MG TABLET	917	\$114,614.16	\$0.84 NADAC	\$124.98

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: Ranexa® (ranolazine)
- Age range: All appropriate MO HealthNet participants aged 18 years and older

Approval Criteria

- Participant aged 18 years or older **AND**

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- Documented compliance to previous ranolazine therapy (defined as 90 days in the past 120 days)
OR
- Documented trial of a nitrate, beta-blocker, or calcium channel blocker (defined as 30 days in the past year)

Denial Criteria

- Therapy will be denied if all approval criteria are not met
- Documented history of significant hepatic impairment

Required Documentation

Laboratory Results:
MedWatch Form:

Progress Notes:
Other:

Disposition of Edit

Denial: Exception code "0682" (Clinical Edit)
Rule Type: CE

Default Approval Period

1 year

References

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