



Drug Name: Relistor (methylnaltrexone bromide)

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Required Medical Information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patient is an adult being treated for documented opioid-induced constipation with advanced illness who is receiving palliative care, and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Patient has failed, or has a documented intolerance or contraindication to, polyethylene glycol and one other laxative (e.g., senna, bisacodyl, lactulose) where effectiveness of each therapy option has been evaluated after 1 or 2 weeks; and ○ Patient does not have known or suspected mechanical gastrointestinal obstruction and does not have a catheter in their abdominal wall. <p>OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patient is an adult who is currently receiving treatment with an opioid; and • Patient has received an opioid for at least 4 weeks; and • Patient is currently diagnosed with opioid-induced constipation (OIC) for chronic non-cancer pain; and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Patient has less than 3 bowel movements [BMs] per week, excessive straining, incomplete evacuations, hard or lumpy stools; and ○ Patient has failed, or has a documented intolerance or contraindication to, polyethylene glycol and one other laxative (e.g., senna, bisacodyl, lactulose) where effectiveness of each therapy option has been evaluated after 1 or 2 weeks; and ○ Patient has failed, or has a documented intolerance or contraindication to, Movantik; and ○ Patient does not have known or suspected mechanical gastrointestinal obstruction and does not have a catheter in their abdominal wall. <p>Renewal Criteria</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The patient had a positive documented response to the medication.
Note(s):	Advanced illness is defined by one of the following: cancer, heart and blood vessel problems (e.g. cardiovascular disease), lung problems (eg, emphysema or COPD), or Alzheimer's disease.
Coverage duration:	Initial: 3 months Renewals: 6 months