PRIOR AUTHORIZATION CRITERIA

ANABOLIC STEROIDS

DRUG CLASS

BRAND NAME (generic)

OXANDRIN (oxandrolone)

Status: CVS Caremark Criteria Type: Initial Prior Authorization Ref # 15-A Ref # 320-A

POLICY

FDA-APPROVED INDICATIONS

Oxandrin is indicated as adjunctive therapy to promote weight gain after weight loss following extensive surgery, chronic infections, or severe trauma, and in some patients who without definite pathophysiologic reasons fail to gain or to maintain normal weight, to offset the protein catabolism associated with prolonged administration of corticosteroids, and for the relief of bone pain frequently accompanying osteoporosis.

Compendial Uses

Cachexia associated with AIDS (HIV wasting)^{2,3,4} To enhance growth in patients with Turner's Syndrome^{3,5}

COVERAGE CRITERIA

The requested drug will be covered with prior authorization when the following criteria are met:

• The requested drug is being prescribed for any of the following: A) As adjunctive therapy to promote weight gain after weight loss following extensive surgery, chronic infections or severe trauma, B) To offset the protein catabolism associated with prolonged administration of corticosteroids, C) For the relief of bone pain accompanying osteoporosis, D) To enhance growth in patients with Turner's Syndrome, E) Cachexia associated with acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) (human immunodeficiency virus [HIV] wasting)

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