

# PRIOR AUTHORIZATION CRITERIA

## DRUG CLASS

## HIGH RISK MEDICATIONS (HRM) CRITERIA

Prior Authorization applies only to patients 70 years of age or older.

## DESCRIPTION

### ANTIARRHYTHMIC

disopyramide  
disopyramide extended release

### ANTIDEPRESSANT

amitriptyline  
clomipramine  
doxepin capsules, tablets, solution (*applies to greater than 6mg daily*)  
imipramine hydrochloride  
imipramine pamoate  
trimipramine

### ANTIEMETIC

scopolamine patch

### ANTI HISTAMINE

carbinoxamine maleate  
clemastine fumarate  
cyproheptadine hydrochloride  
dexchlorpheniramine maleate  
diphenhydramine oral  
hydroxyzine hydrochloride  
hydroxyzine pamoate  
promethazine hydrochloride  
promethazine/phenylephrine

### ANTI-INFECTIVE

nitrofurantoin

### ANTINEOPLASTIC

megestrol acetate  
Megace ES oral suspension

### ANTIPARKINSON

benztropine mesylate (oral dosage form only)  
trihexyphenidyl hydrochloride

### ANTIPSYCHOTIC- ANTIDEPRESSANT COMBINATION

perphenazine-amitriptyline

### ANTISPASMODIC

methscopolamine

<b>BARBITURATE</b>	phenobarbital
<b>BARBITURATE-ANALGESIC</b>	butalbital-apap butalbital-apap-caffeine butalbital-asa-caffeine butalbital-apap-caffeine w/codeine butalbital-asa-caffeine w/codeine
<b>CARDIOVASCULAR</b>	digoxin tablets, oral solution ( <i>applies to greater than 0.125mg daily</i> ) guanfacine methyldopa, methyldopa/hctz
<b>CNS/ADHD</b>	guanfacine extended release
<b>ESTROGEN (ORAL) (includes combination drugs)</b>	conjugated estrogens conjugated estrogen synthetic A and B conjugated estrogen-medroxyprogesterone acetate esterified estrogens estradiol estradiol-drospirenone, estradiol- norethindrone, estradiol-estradiol norgestimate, estropipate, conjugated estrogens/bazedoxifene (Duavee)
<b>ESTROGEN (TOPICAL)</b>	estradiol, estradiol-levonorgestrel, estradiol-norethindrone
<b>HYPOGLYCEMIC (ORAL)</b>	glyburide, glyburide-metformin, glyburide micronized
<b>NON-BENZODIAZEPINE SEDATIVE - HYPNOTIC</b>	eszopiclone zaleplon zolpidem immediate-release zolpidem extended-release zolpidem sublingual zolpidem spray
<b>NON-STEROIDAL ANTI-INFLAMMATORY</b>	ketorolac tromethamine tablets
<b>SKELETAL MUSCLE RELAXANT (includes combination drugs)</b>	carisoprodol carisoprodol/asa/codeine chlorzoxazone cyclobenzaprine hydrochloride metaxalone methocarbamol orphenadrine citrate extended release orphenadrine/asa/caffeine

## VASODILATOR

## dipyridamole (oral dosage form only)

**Status: CVS Caremark Criteria**

**Type: Initial Prior Authorization with Age**

### POLICY

#### COVERAGE CRITERIA

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

- The American Geriatrics Society identifies the use of this medication as potentially inappropriate in older adults, meaning it is best avoided, prescribed at reduced dosage, or used with caution or carefully monitored. The prescriber must acknowledge that the benefit of therapy with this prescribed medication outweighs the potential risks for this patient

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