

## **Pharmacy Drug Policy Checklist**

POLICY NAME Ocaliva (obeticholic acid) POLICY # 2551P

## Criteria

Coverage Criteria	
	Ordered by a Gastroenterologist (stomach doctor)
	Member is age 18 or older
	<ul> <li>Diagnosis of primary biliary cholangitis (PBC) based on 2 of the following:</li> <li>Alkaline phosphatase (ALP) greater than or equal to 1.5 x ULN</li> <li>Presence of antimitochondrial antibodies (AMA) at a titre of 1:40 or higher</li> <li>Histologic evidence of nonsuppurative destructive cholangitis and destruction of interlobular bile ducts</li> </ul>
	Documented failure after 12 months, intolerance, or contraindication to ursodiol (ursodeoxycholic acid)
	Documentation of baseline liver function evaluation and intent to monitor liver function consistently
Exclusion Criteria – Any of the following prevents coverage	
	If member has complete biliary obstruction in either liver or gall bladder
	Evidence of decompensated cirrhosis, a prior decompensation event, or with compensated cirrhosis who have evidence of portal hypertension