

Pharmacy Drug Policy & Procedure

Policy Name: Corlanor (ivabradine) Policy #: 2350P

Purpose of the Policy

The purpose of this policy is to define the criteria in place for Corlanor.

Statement of the Policy

Health Alliance Medical Plans will approve the use of Corlanor when the following criteria have been met.

Criteria

1. Coverage Criteria for Heart Failure

- 1.1 Diagnosis of persistent heart failure (NYHA class II-III) with left ventricular ejection fraction \leq 35%, who are in sinus rhythm with resting heart rate \geq 70 beats per minute
- 1.2 Prescribed by a cardiologist (heart doctor)
- 1.3 Documented failure, intolerance, or contraindication to a beta blocker, such as atenolol or metoprolol,
- 1.4 Documented failure, intolerance, or contraindication to an angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitor (ACE-I, such as lisinopril or enalapril), OR an angiotensin II receptor blocker (ARB, such as losartan or candesartan)

2. Coverage Criteria for Inappropriate Sinus Tachycardia

2.1 Prescribed by an electrophysiologist (doctor specializing in electrical activity of the heart)

3. Approval Period

- 3.1 Initial Approval: 12 months
- 3.2 Subsequent Approvals: 2 years

CPT Codes

HCPCS Codes

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