

# **Pharmacy Drug Policy & Procedure**

Policy Name: Paricalcitol Capsule Step-Edit Policy #: 2647P

## **Purpose of the Policy**

The purpose of this policy is to establish the step-edit criteria for paricalcitol oral capsules.

## **Statement of the Policy**

Health Alliance Medical Plans will approve the use of paricalcitol oral capsules when the following step-edit criteria have been met.

#### Criteria

## 1. Step-Edit Criteria

- 1.1 A previous paid claim at the pharmacy for calcitriol or Vitamin D
- 1.2 Provider can submit medical chart documentation of previous trial and subsequent failure on calcitriol or Vitamin D

# 2. Approval Period

2.1 12 months

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CPT	Codes	
HCP	CS Codes	

#### References

1. Kidney Disease: Improving Global Outcomes (KDIGO) CKD Work Group. KDIGO 2024 Clinical Practice Guideline for the Evaluation and Management of Chronic Kidney Disease. Kidney Int. 2024 Apr;105(4S):S117-S314.

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