

Pharmacy Drug Policy Checklist

POLICY NAME Nourianz (istradefylline) POLICY # 2768P

Criteria

Coverage Criteria	
	Diagnosis of Parkinson's disease
	Age 18 years or older
	Ordered by or in consultation with a neurologist (central nervous system doctor)
	Documentation that member is experiencing "off" episodes (return of Parkinson's symptoms) while receiving a carbidopa/levodopa regimen where attempts have been made to adjust the carbidopa/levodopa dose and/or formulation in order to manage symptoms without success
	Member will continue treatment with carbidopa/levodopa in combination with Nourianz
	Documentation that member has had previous inadequate response, intolerance, or contraindication to at least two different classes of medications for the treatment of Parkinson's disease • Monamine oxidase type B inhibitors • Dopamine agonists • Catechol-O-methyl transferase inhibitors