

Pharmacy Drug Policy Checklist

POLICY NAME Nourianz (istradefylline) POLICY # 2768P

Criteria

Coverage Criteria	
	1.1 Diagnosis of Parkinson's disease
	1.2 Age 18 years or older
	1.3 Ordered by or in consultation with a neurologist (central nervous system doctor)
	1.4 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
	1.5 Member will continue treatment with carbidopa/levodopa in combination with Nourianz
	 1.6 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