## **Pharmacy Drug Policy Checklist**

POLICY NAME Xifaxan (rifaximin) POLICY #

## Criteria

Coverage Criteria for Xifaxan 200mg		
	1.1 Member is age 12 years or older	
	1.2 Documented diagnosis of travelers' diarrhea caused by non-invasive strains of Escherichia coli	
	<ul><li>1.3 Documented failure to respond or contraindication to one of the following medications</li><li>A fluoroquinolone</li><li>Azithromycin</li></ul>	
	1.4 Managed Dose Limit (MDL) of 9 tablets per 30 days per rolling 12 months	
	1.5 Approval Period: 9 tablets per 30 days within 12 months	
Coverage Criteria for Xifaxan 550mg for Hepatic Encephalopathy		
	2.1 Member is age 18 years or older	
	2.2 Documented diagnosis of Hepatic Encephalopathy	
	2.3 Documented failure to respond or contraindication to lactulose	
	2.4 Managed Dose Limit (MDL) of 60 tablets per 30 days	
	2.5 Approval Period: 12 months	

Coverage Criteria for Xifaxan 550mg for IBS-D without Constipation		
	3.1 Member is age 18 years or older	
	<b>3.2</b> Documented diagnosis of moderate to severe Irritable Bowel Syndrome with Diarrhea, defined as the presence of loose or watery stools with 25% of bowel movements and hard or lumpy stools with < 25% of bowel movements	
	<ul> <li>3.3 Documented failure to respond or contraindication to any THREE of the following:</li> <li>loperamide</li> <li>bile acid sequestrant (cholestyramine, colestipol, colesevelam)</li> <li>antispasmodic agent (dicyclomine, hyoscyamine)</li> <li>tricyclic antidepressant (amitriptyline, nortriptyline, and imipramine)</li> </ul>	
	3.4 Managed Dose Limit (MDL) of 42 tablets per 14 days	
	3.5 Approval Period: 42 tablets per 14 days within 12 months; each individual treatment will require a new authorization	
	Maximum of 3 treatments per year	
Coverage Criteria for Xifaxan for Small Intestine Bacterial Overgrowth		
	<b>4.1</b> Documented diagnosis of Small Intestine Bacterial Overgrowth measured by hydrogen breath test or duodenal aspirate and culture	
	4.2 Ordered by a Gastroenterologist (stomach doctor)	
	4.3 Documented failure to respond to at least one previous antibiotic	
	4.4 Managed Dose Limit (MDL) of 42 tablets per 14 days	

4.5 Approval Period: 42 tablets per 14 days within 12 months; each individual treatment will

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