

Pharmacy Drug Policy Checklist

POLICY NAME Zepbound (tirzepatide) POLICY #

Criteria

Exc	Exclusion Criteria – Any of the following prevents coverage	
	2.1 Request for coverage is determined to be solely for weight loss	
	2.2 History of type 1 or type 2 diabetes	
	2.3 Diagnosis of central or mixed sleep apnea	
	2.4 Zepbound will not be covered in combination with any other GLP-1 agonists	
Coverage Criteria		
	1.1 Diagnosis of moderate to severe obstructive sleep apnea confirmed by sleep study	
	 Moderate to severe OSA is defined as at least 15 obstructive respiratory events per hour (or AHI - apnea-hypopnea index) confirmed by a sleep study 	
	1.2 Age 18 years or older	
	1.3 Patient uses a continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) device consistently or is not a candidate for CPAP therapy (e.g. upper airway anatomic abnormalities, recurrent sinus infections or excessive congestion, deviated septum, respiratory arrest, extreme anxiety related to face covering etc)	
	1.4 Patient has a BMI ≥30 kg/m2	
	1.5 Prescribed by or in consultation with a neurologist (nervous system doctor) or sleep medicine practitioner	
	1.6 Zepbound will be used as an adjunct to lifestyle modification (dietary restriction, exercise, etc)	
	 For State of Illinois members: participation in Virta Health or equivalent Health Alliance supported lifestyle management program if member is excluded from Virta Health is required 	