

# **DRUG QUANTITY MANAGEMENT POLICY - PER RX**

**POLICY:** Nonsteroidal Anti-Inflammatory Drug – Tivorbex Drug Quantity

Management Policy – Per Rx

• Tivorbex® (indomethacin capsules – Basiem, generic)

**REVIEW DATE:** 06/02/2025

#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

The following Coverage Policy applies to health benefit plans administered by Cigna Companies. Certain Cigna COMPANIES AND/OR LINES OF BUSINESS ONLY PROVIDE UTILIZATION REVIEW SERVICES TO CLIENTS AND DO NOT MAKE COVERAGE DETERMINATIONS. REFERENCES TO STANDARD BENEFIT PLAN LANGUAGE AND COVERAGE DETERMINATIONS DO NOT APPLY TO THOSE CLIENTS. COVERAGE POLICIES ARE INTENDED TO PROVIDE GUIDANCE IN INTERPRETING CERTAIN STANDARD BENEFIT PLANS ADMINISTERED BY CIGNA COMPANIES. PLEASE NOTE, THE TERMS OF A CUSTOMER'S PARTICULAR BENEFIT PLAN DOCUMENT [GROUP SERVICE AGREEMENT, EVIDENCE OF COVERAGE, CERTIFICATE OF COVERAGE, SUMMARY PLAN DESCRIPTION (SPD) OR SIMILAR PLAN DOCUMENT] MAY DIFFER SIGNIFICANTLY FROM THE STANDARD BENEFIT PLANS UPON WHICH THESE COVERAGE POLICIES ARE BASED. FOR EXAMPLE, A CUSTOMER'S BENEFIT PLAN DOCUMENT MAY CONTAIN A SPECIFIC EXCLUSION RELATED TO A TOPIC ADDRESSED IN A COVERAGE POLICY. IN THE EVENT OF A CONFLICT, A CUSTOMER'S BENEFIT PLAN DOCUMENT ALWAYS SUPERSEDES THE INFORMATION IN THE COVERAGE POLICIES. IN THE ABSENCE OF A CONTROLLING FEDERAL OR STATE COVERAGE MANDATE, BENEFITS ARE ULTIMATELY DETERMINED BY THE TERMS OF THE APPLICABLE BENEFIT PLAN DOCUMENT. COVERAGE DETERMINATIONS IN EACH SPECIFIC INSTANCE REQUIRE CONSIDERATION OF 1) THE TERMS OF THE APPLICABLE BENEFIT PLAN DOCUMENT IN EFFECT ON THE DATE OF SERVICE; 2) ANY APPLICABLE LAWS/REGULATIONS; 3) ANY RELEVANT COLLATERAL SOURCE MATERIALS INCLUDING COVERAGE POLICIES AND; 4) THE SPECIFIC FACTS OF THE PARTICULAR SITUATION. EACH COVERAGE REQUEST SHOULD BE REVIEWED ON ITS OWN MERITS. MEDICAL DIRECTORS ARE EXPECTED TO EXERCISE CLINICAL JUDGMENT WHERE APPROPRIATE AND HAVE DISCRETION IN MAKING INDIVIDUAL COVERAGE DETERMINATIONS. WHERE COVERAGE FOR CARE OR SERVICES DOES NOT DEPEND ON SPECIFIC CIRCUMSTANCES, REIMBURSEMENT WILL ONLY BE PROVIDED IF A REQUESTED SERVICE(S) IS SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RELEVANT CRITERIA OUTLINED IN THE APPLICABLE COVERAGE POLICY, INCLUDING COVERED DIAGNOSIS AND/OR PROCEDURE CODE(S). REIMBURSEMENT IS NOT ALLOWED FOR SERVICES WHEN BILLED FOR CONDITIONS OR DIAGNOSES THAT ARE NOT COVERED UNDER THIS COVERAGE POLICY (SEE "CODING INFORMATION" BELOW). WHEN BILLING, PROVIDERS MUST USE THE MOST APPROPRIATE CODES AS OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE SUBMISSION. CLAIMS SUBMITTED FOR SERVICES THAT ARE NOT ACCOMPANIED BY COVERED CODE(S) UNDER THE APPLICABLE COVERAGE POLICY WILL BE DENIED AS NOT COVERED. COVERAGE POLICIES RELATE EXCLUSIVELY TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS. COVERAGE POLICIES ARE NOT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TREATMENT AND SHOULD NEVER BE USED AS TREATMENT GUIDELINES. IN CERTAIN MARKETS, DELEGATED VENDOR GUIDELINES MAY BE USED TO SUPPORT MEDICAL NECESSITY AND OTHER COVERAGE DETERMINATIONS.

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### **OVERVIEW**

Tivorbex, a nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug (NSAID), indicated for treatment of mild to moderate acute pain in adults.<sup>1</sup>

## **Dosing**

For treatment of mild to moderate acute pain, the recommended dose of Tivorbex is 20 mg three times daily or 40 mg two or three times daily. Tivorbex should be used at the lowest effective dosage for the shortest duration consistent with the patient's individual treatment goals. Different strengths and formulations of oral indomethacin are not interchangeable.

# **Availability**

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Tivorbex (obsolete 02/14/2024) is available as 20 mg capsules in bottles containing 30 capsules each.<sup>1</sup> An authorized generic to Tivorbex was also available, but was discontinued in 2022.

## **POLICY STATEMENT**

This Drug Quantity Management program has been developed to promote the safe, effective, and economic use of Tivorbex (authorized generic). If the Drug Quantity Management rule is not met for the requested medication at the point of service, coverage will be determined by the Criteria below. All approvals are provided for 1 year in duration.

**Drug Quantity Limits** 

Product	Strength	Retail Maximum Quantity per Rx	Home Delivery Maximum Quantity per Rx
Tivorbex® (indomethacin capsules, authorized generic)	20 mg capsules	90 capsules	270 capsules

EXCEPTIONS TO THE QUANTITY LIMITS LISTED ABOVE ARE COVERED AS MEDICALLY NECESSARY WHEN THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA ARE MET. ANY OTHER EXCEPTION IS CONSIDERED NOT MEDICALLY NECESSARY.

### **CRITERIA**

- **1.** If the patient requires a dose of 40 mg twice daily, approve 120 capsules per dispensing at retail or 360 capsules per dispensing at home delivery.
- **2.** If the patient requires a dose of 40 mg three times daily, approve 180 capsules per dispensing at retail or 540 capsules per dispensing at home delivery.

### REFERENCES

1. Tivorbex® capsules [prescribing information]. Madisonville, LA: Basiem; April 2021.

### **HISTORY**

Type of Revision	Summary of Changes	Review Date
Annual Revision	Policy was updated to reflect the existing quantity limits when a product is obtained via home delivery.	06/08/2023
	No criteria changes.	
Annual Revision	No criteria changes.	06/19/2024
Annual Revision	No criteria changes.	06/02/2025

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