



Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing Preferred Drug List (PDL)

Effective February 1, 2008

The PDL applies to Medicaid fee-for-service clients. It does not apply to clients enrolled in Rocky Mountain Health HMO or Denver Health Medicaid Choice.

Therapeutic Drug Class	Preferred Agents	Non-Preferred Agents	Prior Authorization Criteria
Proton Pump Inhibitors <i>Effective 2/1/08</i>	No Prior Authorization Required NEXIUM capsules (esomeprazole) PREVACID capsules (lansoprazole) PREVACID solutabs (lansoprazole)	Prior Authorization Required ACIPHEX (rabeprazole) NEXIUM packets (esomeprazole) omeprazole (generic Prilosec) PREVACID suspension (lansoprazole) PREVPAC (lansoprazole, amox, clarithromycin) PRILOSEC OTC (omeprazole) PROTONIX (pantoprazole) ZEGERID (omeprazole/Na bicarbonate)	Approval for non-preferred proton pump inhibitors will be granted if all of the following criteria are met: Client tried and failed treatment with two preferred products within the last 12 months and client has a qualifying diagnosis, diagnosed by an appropriate diagnostic method. (Failure is defined as: lack of efficacy, allergy, intolerable side effects or significant drug-drug interactions) Qualifying Diagnoses: Barrett's Esophagus, Duodenal Ulcer, Erosive Esophagitis, Gastric Ulcer, GERD, GI Bleed, Heartburn (for Prilosec OTC only), H. pylori, Hypersecretory Conditions (Zollinger-Ellison), NSAID-Induced Ulcer, Pediatric Esophagitis, Recurrent Aspiration Syndrome or Ulcerative GERD Diagnosed by: GI Specialist, Endoscopy, X-Ray, Biopsy, Blood test, or Breath test Quantity Limits: Non-preferred agents will be limited to once daily dosing except for the following diagnoses: Barrett's Esophagus, GI Bleed, H. pylori, Hypersecretory Conditions, or Spinal Cord Injury patients with any acid reflux diagnosis. Children: Aciphex, Protonix, and Zegerid will not be approved for clients less than 18 years of age. Prior Authorization Forms: available online at http://www.chcpf.state.co.us/HCPF/Pharmacy/nwPAList.asp