

## Antiemetics

### Goal(s):

- Promote use of preferred antiemetics.
- Restrict use of costly antiemetic agents for appropriate indications.

### Length of Authorization:

- Up to 6 months

### Requires PA:

- Non-preferred drugs will be subject to PA criteria.

### Covered Alternatives:

- Preferred alternatives listed at [www.orpdl.org](http://www.orpdl.org)

| Approval Criteria   |   |   |
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| 1. What is the diagnosis being treated?   | Record ICD10 Code.  |   |
| 2. Will the prescriber consider a change to the preferred product?<br>Message: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preferred products do not require a PA.</li> <li>• Preferred products are evidence-based reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&amp;T) Committee.</li> </ul> | <b>Yes:</b> Inform prescriber of covered alternatives in class. | <b>No:</b> Go to #3   |
| 3. Is the request for doxylamine/pyridoxine (Diclegis® or Bonjesta) for pregnancy-related nausea or vomiting?   | <b>Yes:</b> Go to #4  | <b>No:</b> Go to #5   |
| 4. Has the patient failed a trial of pyridoxine?<br>Message: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preferred vitamin B products do not require a PA.</li> <li>• Preferred products are evidence-based reviewed for comparative effectiveness and safety by the Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&amp;T) Committee.</li> </ul>         | <b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 3 months                          | <b>No:</b> Pass to RPh; deny and recommend a trial of pyridoxine. |
| 5. Is the request for dronabinol (Marinol®)?  | <b>Yes:</b> Go to #6  | <b>No:</b> Go to #7   |

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| 6. Does the patient have anorexia associated with HIV/AIDS?   | <b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 6 months.* | <b>No:</b> Go to #7  |
| 7. Does the patient have a cancer diagnosis AND receiving chemotherapy or radiation?  | <b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 6 months.  | <b>No:</b> Go to #8  |
| 8. Does patient have refractory nausea/vomiting that has resulted in hospitalizations or ED visits?   | <b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 6 months.* | <b>No:</b> Go to #9  |
| 9. Has the patient tried and failed, or have contraindications, to at least 2 preferred antiemetics?  | <b>Yes:</b> Approve for up to 6 months.* | <b>No:</b> Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness. Must trial at least 2 preferred antiemetics |
| * If the request is for dronabinol (Marinol®) do not exceed 3 doses/day for 2.5 mg and 5 mg strengths and 2 doses/day for the 10 mg strength. |  |  |

P&T/DUR Review:

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