

Platelet Inhibitors

Goal:

- Approve antiplatelet drugs for funded diagnoses which are supported by medical literature.

Length of Authorization:

- Up to 12 months.

Requires PA:

- Non-preferred drugs

Covered Alternatives:

- Preferred alternatives listed at www.orpd.org/drugs/

Approval Criteria

1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Will the prescriber consider a change to a preferred product?	Yes: Inform provider of preferred alternatives.	No: Go to #3
3. Is this new therapy for a patient who was hospitalized and had an antiplatelet initiated in the hospital?	Yes: Approve for 30 days only and request a PA from the provider for continuation of therapy.	No: Go to #4
4. Is this a request for continuation of therapy for a patient that already received 30 days of therapy that was initiated in the hospital?	Yes: Approve for FDA-approved indication for up to 1 year.	No: Go to #5
5. Is the request for ticagrelor?	Yes: Go to #6	No: Got to #7
6. Does the patient have a history of intracranial hemorrhage?	Yes: Deny for medical appropriateness	No: Approve for FDA-approved indication for up to 1 year.

Approval Criteria

7. Is the request for vorapaxar AND does the patient have a history of stroke, TIA or intracranial hemorrhage?

Yes: Deny for medical appropriateness

No: Approve for FDA-approved indications for up to 1 year.

If vorapaxar is requested, it should be approved only when used in combination with aspirin and/or clopidogrel. There is limited experience with other platelet inhibitor drugs or as monotherapy.

FDA Approved Indications (April 2021)

	1° Stroke	2° Stroke	2° PAD	1° MI	2° MI	ACS	
						No PCI	PCI
ASA/DP ER		x					
clopidogrel		x	x		x	x	x
ticagrelor	x	x		x	x	x	x
vorapaxar		CI	x		x		

Abbreviations: 1° = prevention, 2° = secondary prevention; ACS=Acute Coronary Syndrome; ASA/DP ER = aspirin/dipyridamole; CI=contraindication; PCI=Percutaneous Intervention; X = FDA-approved indication.

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