

Sodium Phenylbutyrate/Taurursodiol (Relyvrio™)

Goal(s):

- To encourage use of riluzole which has demonstrated mortality benefits.
- To ensure appropriate use of sodium phenylbutyrate/taurursodiol.

Length of Authorization:

- Up to 12 months

Requires PA:

- All pharmacy claims

Covered Alternatives:

- Current PMPDP preferred drug list per OAR 410-121-0030 at www.orpdl.org
- Searchable site for Oregon FFS Drug Class listed at www.orpdl.org/drugs/

Approval Criteria		
1. What diagnosis is being treated?	Record ICD10 code.	
2. Is the request for continuation of therapy of previously approved FFS criteria (after which patient has completed 6-month trial)?	Yes: Go to Renewal Criteria	No: Go to #3
3. Is this a FDA approved indication?	Yes: Go to #4	No: Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
4. Is the patient currently on riluzole therapy, OR have a documented contraindication or intolerance to riluzole?	Yes: Go to #5	No: Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
5. Is the medication being prescribed by or in consultation with a neurologist?	Yes: Go to #6	No: Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
6. Does the patient have documented percent-predicted slow vital capacity (%SVC) ≥ 60% within past 6 months?	Yes: Record lab result. _____ Go to #7	No: Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness
7. Is there a baseline documentation of the revised ALS Functional Rating Scale (ALSFRS-R) score?	Yes: Record baseline score. _____ Approve for 6 months based on FDA-approved dosing.	No: Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness

Renewal Criteria

1. Has the prescriber provided documentation that anticipated decline of functional abilities as assessed by a Revised ALS Functional Rating Scale (ALSFRS-R) has slowed in a clinically meaningful way?	Yes: Got to #2	No: Pass to RPh. Deny; medical appropriateness.
2. Has the patient progressed to permanent ventilation or received a tracheostomy since beginning medication?	Yes: Pass to RPh; Deny; medical appropriateness.	No: Approve for 12 months.

P&T/DUR Review: 4/23 (SF)

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