Criteria-Based Consultation Prescribing Program CRITERIA FOR DRUG COVERAGE

Potassium chloride 10% (20 mEq/15 mL) liquid

Notes:

* Care Group 4 is a term used by Kaiser to describe patients who are considered frail, have a serious medical illness, and/or have a high likelihood of needing to be hospitalized.

<u>Initiation (new start) criteria</u>: Non-formulary potassium chloride 10% (20 mEq/15 mL) liquid will be covered on the prescription drug benefit when the following criteria are met:

 Patient has documented intolerance or treatment failure with Klor-Con M 20 mEq tablets.

-OR-

- Patient has any one of the following items:
 - Use a feeding tube
 - o History of GI erosions, ulcers, stenosis, or bleeding
 - Diabetic gastroparesis

-OR-

- Patient has two or more of the following items:
 - Strictures
 - Cardiomegaly
 - Care Group 4*
 - Concomitant drug therapy that may increase risk of side effects (e.g. anticholinergics, anticoagulants, NSAIDs, bisphosphonates, or tetracyclines)

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