Criteria-Based Consultation Prescribing Program

CRITERIA FOR DRUG COVERAGE

albuterol sulfate (ProAir Digihaler)

Initiation (new start) criteria: Non-formulary albuterol sulfate (ProAir Digihaler) will be covered on the prescription drug benefit when the following criteria are met:

- Patient has a documented treatment failure or intolerance to albuterol sulfate (Ventolin HFA).

- AND -

- Patient inhaler technique has been evaluated by a respiratory therapist, nurse, or other qualified healthcare professional and has been determined to be correct when using albuterol sulfate (Ventolin HFA).

- AND -

- Prescriber has documented a need for monitoring the patient's use of therapy.

Criteria for current Kaiser Permanente members already taking the medication who have not been reviewed previously: Non-formulary albuterol sulfate (ProAir Digihaler) will be covered on the prescription drug benefit when the following criteria are met:

- Patient has a documented treatment failure or intolerance to albuterol sulfate (Ventolin HFA).

- AND -

- Patient inhaler technique has been evaluated by a respiratory therapist, nurse, or other qualified healthcare professional and has been determined to be correct when using albuterol sulfate (Ventolin HFA).

- AND -

- Prescriber has documented a need for monitoring the patient's use of therapy.

Criteria for new members entering Kaiser Permanente already taking the medication who have not been reviewed previously: Non-formulary albuterol sulfate (ProAir Digihaler) will be covered on the prescription drug benefit when the following criteria are met:

- Patient has a documented treatment failure or intolerance to albuterol sulfate (Ventolin HFA).

- AND -

- Patient states a need to share their therapy use data with their healthcare provider.