Non-formulary **lidocaine patch 5% (Lidoderm®)** will be covered on the prescription drug benefit when the following criteria are met:

- Diagnosis of neuropathic or localized pain
- **AND**
- Prior trial and failure/intolerance to topical lidocaine 5% cream (allow at least one week to determine effectiveness)
- **OR**
- Significant barriers to use of cream (e.g. inability to apply to affected areas several times daily or to apply covering over cream to protect clothing, etc.)
- **OR**
- Dose Change Only: Patient previously met criteria and is already taking the drug.