Non-formulary pantoprazole 40 mg packets for oral suspension (Protonix®) will be covered on the prescription drug benefit when the following criteria are met:

- Patient is not currently swallowing any other medications in capsule/tablet form

  AND

- Patient has failed treatment with omeprazole 2 mg/mL oral suspension or patient has allergy or intolerance to omeprazole

  AND

- Patient has failed treatment with lansoprazole 3 mg/mL oral suspension or patient has allergy or intolerance to lansoprazole

OR

- Dose change only: Patient previously met criteria and is already taking the drug.

  o **Adequate trial** of omeprazole is defined as 14 day treatment duration of 40 mg/day (e.g., 20 mg p.o. BID).

  o **Intolerance** excludes adverse drug reactions that are expected, mild in nature, resolve with continued treatment and do not require medication discontinuation.