Diacomit (stiripentol)
Effective February 1, 2020

Plan
☒ MassHealth
☒ Commercial/Exchange

Program Type
☒ Prior Authorization
☐ Quantity Limit
☐ Step Therapy

Benefit
☒ Pharmacy Benefit
☐ Medical Benefit (NLX)

Specialty Limitations
This medication has been designated specialty and must be filled at a contracted specialty pharmacy.

Contact Information

Specialty Medications
All Plans | Phone: 866-814-5506 | Fax: 866-249-6155

Non-Specialty Medications
MassHealth | Phone: 877-433-7643 | Fax: 866-255-7569
Commercial | Phone: 800-294-5979 | Fax: 888-836-0730
Exchange | Phone: 855-582-2022 | Fax: 855-245-2134

Medical Specialty Medications (NLX)
All Plans | Phone: 844-345-2803 | Fax: 844-851-0882

Exceptions
N/A

Overview
Stiripentol is an anticonvulsant medication used in conjunction with clobazam for patients with Dravet syndrome. The mechanism of the anticonvulsant effect is unknown but may be due to enhancement of GABAergic inhibitory neurotransmission.

Coverage Guidelines
1. Authorization may be granted for members who are currently receiving treatment with Diacomit excluding when the product is obtained as samples or via manufacturer’s patient assistance program

OR

2. Authorization may be granted for members who meet all the following criteria and documentation has been provided:
   a. The member is at least 2 years of age
   b. The member has diagnosis of Dravet syndrome
   c. The prescriber is a neurologist or consult notes from a neurology office are provided
   d. Diacomit will be used in combination with clobazam
   e. The member has had an inadequate response or adverse reaction to one of the following anticonvulsants or a contraindication to ALL of the following anticonvulsants:
      • Clonazepam
      • Divalproex/valproic acid
      • Ethosuximide
      • Levetiracetam
      • Phenobarbital
      • Topiramate
• Zonisamide

Limitations
1. Approvals will be granted for 36 months

References
1. Diacomit (stiripentol) [prescribing information]. Beauvais, France; Biocodex; August 2018.
3. Fisher JL. The effects of stiripentol on GABA(A) receptors. Epilepsia 2011; 52 Suppl 2:76

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