

Diacomit (stiripentol)
Effective February 1, 2020

Plan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MassHealth <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial/Exchange	Program Type	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prior Authorization <input type="checkbox"/> Quantity Limit <input type="checkbox"/> Step Therapy
Benefit	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pharmacy Benefit <input type="checkbox"/> 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

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