



Important Provider Notice



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Acute Migraine Treatment-GEPANTS

Require a Prior Authorization

Preferred/Formulary GEPANT differs depending on prescription benefit and require a prior authorization:

Pennsylvania Medicaid Preferred agent: **Nurtec ODT***

Medicare Part D Formulary agent: **Ubrelvy***

Criteria for Approval for Acute Treatment

- Diagnosis of migraine headache
- Confirmation of use for acute treatment
- Documentation of a trial and failure of two different triptans
- For a nonpreferred/nonformulary agent, a trial of the preferred/formulary agent(s)

Preferred/formulary triptans*:

Pennsylvania Medicaid: Imitrex Nasal Spray, Naratriptan Tablet, Rizatriptan ODT/Tablet, Sumatriptan Cartridge/Nasal Spray/Pen/Tablet/Vial, Zolmitriptan Nasal Spray/ODT/Tablet

Medicare Part D: Rizatriptan tablet/ODT, Sumatriptan Nasal Spray/Tablet/Cartridge/Solution/Solution Autoinjector

*Please note, quantity limits apply

Important Reminders for Submitting a Prior Authorization

- ✓ Be sure to note the preferred agent for the member's prescription benefit
- ✓ CGRP Antagonists and Gepants require Prior Authorization for Acute and Prophylactic Treatment. Visit [Highmarkwholecare.com](https://highmarkwholecare.com) for the PA criteria that applies to preventative treatment.

Visit [Highmarkwholecare.com](https://highmarkwholecare.com) to view the preferred drugs, the most up to date criteria and to access drug specific request forms

Consider using CoverMyMeds to streamline the prior authorization process. Visit covermymeds.com for more information

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