



2027 Step Therapy Medical Necessity Guidelines

Effective: January 1, 2027

For more recent information or other questions, please contact Mass General Brigham Health Plan Member Services.

Visit **www.massgeneralbrighamadvantage.org/plans/rx-information** for the most up to date information on Medicare Part D drug coverage.

You can reach our Member Services
by calling: **855-833-3668** (TTY: 711)

October 1 – March 31
8:00 AM to 8:00 PM EST, Monday through Sunday

April 1 – September 30
8:00 AM to 8:00 PM EST, Monday through Friday

Mass General Brigham Advantage Core (HMO-POS)
Mass General Brigham Advantage Plus (HMO-POS)
Mass General Brigham Advantage Secure (HMO-POS)

Mass General Brigham Health Plan is a Medicare Advantage organization with a Medicare contract offering HMO-POS plans. Enrollment in Mass General Brigham Health Plan depends on contract renewal.

ANTIDEPRESSANTS

Products Affected

- Aplenzin
- Auvelity
- Auvelity Titration Pack
- Emsam
- Exxua
- Exxua Titration Pack
- Fetzima
- Fetzima Titration Pack

Details

Criteria	Pending CMS Review
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ANTIPSYCHOTICS

Products Affected

- Asenapine Maleate SI
- Fanapt
- Fanapt Titration Pack A
- Fanapt Titration Pack B
- Fanapt Titration Pack C
- Secuado

Details

Criteria	Step 1 medications covered without prior authorization: aripiprazole, lurasidone, olanzapine, quetiapine, quetiapine ER, risperidone and ziprasidone. Step 2 medications: Asenapine, Fanapt, Secuado, and Vraylar will be covered if the member has filled for one or more Step-1 or Step-2 medications within the previous 180 days as evidenced by a paid claim or physician documentation.
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HMG-COA INHIBITORS

Products Affected

- Pitavastatin Calcium
- Zypitamag TABS 2MG, 4MG

Details

Criteria	Step 1 medications covered without prior authorization: amlodipine/atorvastatin, atorvastatin, ezetimibe/simvastatin, fluvastatin, fluvastatin ER, lovastatin, pravastatin, rosuvastatin, and simvastatin. Step 2 medications: pitavastatin and Zypitamag will be covered if the member has filled for one or more Step-1 or Step-2 medications within the previous 180 days as evidenced by a paid claim or physician documentation.
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