

#### Diacomit (stiripentol) Effective 11/01/2025 ☐ MassHealth UPPL Plan □ Prior Authorization ⊠Commercial/Exchange **Program Type** ☐ Quantity Limit □ Pharmacy Benefit ☐ Step Therapy Benefit ☐ Medical Benefit Specialty This medication has been designated specialty and must be filled at a contracted Limitations specialty pharmacy. **Medical and Specialty Medications** All Plans Phone: 877-519-1908 Fax: 855-540-3693 Contact Information **Non-Specialty Medications** Phone: 800-711-4555 All Plans Fax: 844-403-1029 N/A

# Overview

Diacomit (stiripentol) is an anticonvulsant medication indicated for the treatment of seizures associated with Dravet syndrome in patients taking clobazam who are 6 months of age and older and weighing 7 kg or more. There are no clinical data to support the use of Diacomit as monotherapy in Dravet syndrome.

### **Coverage Guidelines**

**Exceptions** 

Authorization may be granted for members who are new to the plan within the past 90 days currently receiving treatment with requested medication, excluding when the product is obtained as samples or via manufacturer's patient assistance programs.

# OR

Authorization may be granted when all of the following criteria are met:

- 1. Member is at least 6 months of age or older
- 2. Member has diagnosis of Dravet syndrome
- 3. Requested medication is prescribed by or in consultation with a neurologist
- 4. Member's treatment regimen will include clobazam
- 5. Member has had an inadequate response or adverse reaction to at least ONE of the following anticonvulsants OR has a contraindication to ALL of the following anticonvulsants:
  - a. Clonazepam
  - b. Divalproex/valproic acid
  - c. Ethosuximide
  - d. Levetiracetam
  - e. Phenobarbital
  - f. Topiramate
  - g. Zonisamide

# **Continuation of Therapy**

Requests for reauthorization will be approved when all of the following criteria are met:

1. Documentation member has had a positive response to therapy (e.g., decrease in number or frequency of seizures member is experiencing)

#### Limitations

- 1. Initial approvals and reauthorizations will be granted for 36 months
- 2. The following quantity limits apply:

| Drug Name and Dosage Form | Quantity Limit      |
|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Diacomit 250 mg capsule   | 12 capsules per day |
| Diacomit 500 mg capsule   | 6 capsules per day  |
| Diacomit 250 mg packet    | 12 packets per day  |
| Diacomit 500 mg packet    | 6 packets per day   |

#### References

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# **Review History**

11/20/19 - Reviewed at P&T. Effective 02/01/2020

11/18/2020- Reviewed at P&T

11/16/2022 – Reviewed for Nov P&T. Separated out MH vs Comm/Exch. No clinical changes.

08/13/2025 – Reviewed and updated at August P&T. Updated language for members who are new to the Plan. Updated verbiage for prescriber specialty and concomitant use with clobazam. Added reauthorization criteria, requiring documentation that the member has had a positive response to therapy. Added quantity limits to the Limitations section of the policy. Effective 11/01/2025.

