

**Movantik (naloxegol)**  
**Effective 12/01/2021**

<b>Plan</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> MassHealth UPPL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial/Exchange		<b>Program Type</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prior Authorization
<b>Benefit</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pharmacy Benefit <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Benefit			<input type="checkbox"/> Quantity Limit <input type="checkbox"/> Step Therapy
<b>Specialty Limitations</b>	N/A			
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<b>Exceptions</b>	N/A			

### Overview

Movantik is a prescription medicine used to treat constipation that is caused by prescription pain medicines called opioids, in adults with long-lasting (chronic) pain that is not caused by active cancer.

### Coverage Guidelines

Authorization may be granted for members new to the plan who are currently receiving and are stable on Movantik excluding when the product is obtained as samples or via manufacturer's patient assistance program.

### OR

Authorization may be granted when ALL the following criteria are met:

1. The patient has a diagnosis of opioid-induced constipation
2. The patient is actively using opioid analgesics for chronic, noncancer-related pain
3. All other causes of constipation have been ruled out (medication-induced constipation, gastrointestinal [GI] motility issues, GI obstruction, etc.)
4. The patient is at least 18 years of age
5. The patient has failed dietary and lifestyle modifications
6. The patient has experienced an allergy or side effect with or has had at least a 1-week trial resulting in treatment failure or inadequate response with at least two (2) different **laxative** agents such as saline, stimulant, bulk, or osmotic laxatives (e.g., milk of magnesia, lactulose, polyethylene glycol [PEG], psyllium, methylcellulose, magnesium citrate, senna, bisacodyl, etc.)

### Limitations

1. Approvals will be granted for 12 months.
2. The following quantity limits apply:

Movantik tablets	30 tablets per month
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#### **Review History**

04/25/2016 – Reviewed

07/2016 – Effective

04/24/2017 – Reviewed

02/26/2018 – Reviewed in P&T Meeting

03/18/2020 – Reviewed and Updated P&T Mtg (added QL) (effective 6/1/20)

09/22/2021 – Reviewed Sept P&T; updated started and Stabilized statement to stated members new to the plan; references updated. Effective 12/01/2021.

09/21/2022 – Reviewed at Sept P&T; Separated out Comm/Exch vs MH policy; no clinical updates.

