

# Fintepla (fenfluramine) Effective 11/01/2021

Plan	<ul><li>☑ MassHealth</li><li>☐ Commercial/Exchange</li></ul>		□ Prior Authorization     □ Prior A	
Benefit	□ Pharmacy Benefit	Program Type	<ul><li>✓ Quantity Limit</li><li>✓ Step Therapy</li></ul>	
	☐ Medical Benefit (NLX)		1 13	
Specialty	This medication has been designated specialty and must be filled at a contracted			
Limitations	specialty pharmacy.			
	Specialty Medications			
	All Plans	Phone: 866-814-5506	Fax: 866-249-6155	
	Non-Specialty Medications			
Contact	MassHealth	Phone: 877-433-7643	Fax: 866-255-7569	
Information	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

Dravet syndrome (DS) is a rare, catastrophic form of epilepsy that begins in the first year of life. Fenfluramine and the metabolite, norfenfluramine, increase extracellular levels of serotonin through interaction with serotonin transporter proteins, and exhibit agonist activity at serotonin 5HT-2 receptors.

### **Coverage Guidelines**

Authorization may be granted for members who are currently receiving treatment with Fintepla, excluding when the product is obtained as samples or via manufacturer's patient assistance programs. **OR** 

Authorization may be granted when all the following diagnosis specific criteria are met, and documentation has been provided:

- 1. The member has a diagnosis of seizures associated with Dravet syndrome
- 2. The member is  $\geq 2$  years old
- 3. Prescriber is a neurologist or documentation provided of recent neurology consultation
- 4. Member has had an inadequate response or adverse reaction to at least 2 of the following anticonvulsant agents **OR** a contraindication to ALL the following agents:

a. clobazam

b. clonazepam

c. ethosuximide

d. levetiracetam

e. phenobarbital

f. stiripentol

g. topiramate

h. valproic acid

i. zonisamide

## **Continuation of Therapy**

Reauthorization may be approved when physician assessment has been provided documenting a decrease in the number of seizures.



## **Limitations**

1. Initial approvals will be approved for 3 months

2. Reauthorizations will be approved for 12 months

Fintepla	360mL per 30 days			
Dosing recommendation				
Pediatric ( $\geq 2$ years to 18 years):	0.1 mg/kg/dose twice daily			
	0.2 mg/kg/dose twice daily			
	0.35 mg/kg/dose twice daily			
Maximum dose: 13 mg/dose twice daily				

## **References**

1. Fintepla (fenfluramine) [prescribing information]. Emeryville, CA: Zogenix Inc; June 2020.

## **Review History**

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

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