

Step Therapy Medications		
Step Therapy Group Description	Step Therapy Sequence	Step Therapy Criteria
AGGRENOX	Step-2: aspirin 25 mg-dipyridamole 200 mg capsule,ext.release 12 hr multiphase	If the patient has tried a Step 1 drug, then authorization for a Step 2 drug may be given. Step 1 Drug(s): clopidigrel. Step 2 Drug(s): Aggrenox (aspirin/extended-release dipyridamole). Applies to New Starts Only.
APTIOM	Step-2: APTIOM 200 MG TABLET or APTIOM 400 MG TABLET or APTIOM 600 MG TABLET or APTIOM 800 MG TABLET	If the patient has tried a Step 1 drug, then authorization for a Step 2 drug may be given. Step 1 Drug(s): Oxcarbazepine immediate-release, Lamotrigine immediate-release, Levetiracetam, Levetiracetam XR, Roweepra, Topiramate, Zonisamide. Step 2 Drug(s): Aptiom (eslicarbazepine). Applies to New Starts Only.
BYSTOLIC	Step-2: BYSTOLIC 10 MG TABLET or BYSTOLIC 20 MG TABLET or BYSTOLIC 5 MG TABLET	If the patient has tried TWO Step 1 drugs, then authorization for a Step 2 drug may be given. Step 1 Drug(s): any TWO formulary Beta-blocker . Step 2 Drug(s): Bystolic (nebivolol)
CYCLOSET	Step-2: CYCLOSET 0.8 MG TABLET	If the patient has tried a Step 1 drug, then authorization for a Step 2 drug may be given. Step 1 Drug(s): metformin. Step 2 Drug(s): Cycloset (bromocriptine mesylate)
DOXEPIN HRM - C	Under CMS Review	
FANAPT	Step-2: FANAPT 1 MG TABLET or FANAPT 10 MG TABLET or FANAPT 12 MG TABLET or FANAPT 1MG(2)-2 MG(2)-4MG(2)-6 MG(2) TABLETS IN A DOSE PACK or FANAPT 2 MG TABLET or FANAPT 4 MG TABLET or FANAPT 6 MG TABLET or FANAPT 8 MG TABLET	If the patient has tried a Step 1 drug, then authorization for a Step 2 drug may be given. Step 1 Drug(s): olanzapine, paliperidone, quetiapine fumarate, risperidone, ziprasidone. Step 2 Drug(s): Fanapt (iloperidone), Fanapt Titration Pack (iloperidone). Applies to New Starts Only.
KHEDEZLA	Step-2: KHEDEZLA 100 MG TABLET,EXTENDED RELEASE or KHEDEZLA 50 MG TABLET,EXTENDED RELEASE	If the patient has tried TWO Step 1 drugs, then authorization for a Step 2 drug may be given. Step 1 Drug(s): Bupropion, Citalopram, Desvenlafaxine ER, Escitalopram, Fluoxetine, Fluvoxamine, Mirtazapine, Paroxetine, Sertraline, Venlafaxine (immediate or extended-release products). Step 2 Drug(s): Khedezla. Applies to New Starts Only.
RANEXA	Step-2: RANEXA 1,000 MG TABLET,EXTENDED RELEASE or RANEXA 500 MG TABLET,EXTENDED RELEASE	If the patient has tried a Step 1 drug, then authorization for a Step 2 drug may be given. Step 1 Drug(s): any formulary Beta-blocker, Calcium-channel blocker, or Long-acting nitrate. Step 2 Drug(s): Ranexa (ranolazine)
STROMEKTOL	Step-2: STROMEKTOL 3 MG TABLET	If the patient has tried a Step 1 drug, then authorization for a Step 2 drug may be given. Step 1 Drug(s): Ivermectin. Step 2 Drug(s): Stromectol.

THIORIDAZINE HRM	Step-2: thioridazine 10 mg tablet or thioridazine 100 mg tablet or thioridazine 25 mg tablet or thioridazine 50 mg tablet	If the patient has tried TWO Step 1 drugs, then authorization for a Step 2 drug may be given. Step 1 Drug(s): aripiprazole, Fanapt (iloperidone), paliperidone, Latuda, Olanzapine, Quetiapine, Risperidone, Ziprasidone. Step 2 Drug(s): Thioridazine. New Starts Only
TRINTELLIX - B	Step-2: TRINTELLIX 10 MG TABLET or TRINTELLIX 20 MG TABLET or TRINTELLIX 5 MG TABLET	If the patient has tried TWO Step 1 drugs, then authorization for a Step 2 drug may be given. Step 1 Drug(s): citalopram, desvenlafaxine ER, escitalopram, fluoxetine, fluvoxamine, paroxetine, sertraline, venlafaxine IR/ER. Step 2 Drug(s): Trintellix. Applies to New Starts Only.
ULORIC	Step-2: ULORIC 40 MG TABLET or ULORIC 80 MG TABLET	If the patient has tried a Step 1 drug, then authorization for a Step 2 drug may be given. Step 1 Drug(s): allopurinol. Step 2 Drug(s): Uloric . Approve without trial of step 1 drug if Patient has contraindication to allopurinol use.
VIIBRYD - B	Step-2: VIIBRYD 10 MG (7)-20 MG (23) TABLETS IN A DOSE PACK or VIIBRYD 10 MG TABLET or VIIBRYD 20 MG TABLET or VIIBRYD 40 MG TABLET	If the patient has tried TWO Step 1 drugs, then authorization for a Step 2 drug may be given. Step 1 Drug(s): citalopram, desvenlafaxine ER, escitalopram, fluoxetine, fluvoxamine, paroxetine, sertraline, venlafaxine IR/ER. Step 2 Drug(s): Viibryd, Viibryd Titration Pack. Applies to New Starts Only.