



Prior Authorization

Tricyclic Antidepressant and Fluoxetine Combination

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Fluvoxamine and Clomipramine Combination

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FDA Approved Formulary Agents:

Tricyclic Antidepressant (TCA)

Amitriptyline	Elavil
Clomipramine	Anafranil
Desipramine	Norpramin
Doxepin	Sinequan
Imipramine	Tofranil
Nortriptyline	Pamelor
Protriptyline	Vivactil

Selective Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitors (SSRI)

Fluoxetine	Prozac
Paroxetine	Paxil
Fluvoxamine	Luvox

Guidelines for Approval of TCA in Combination with Fluoxetine or Paroxetine for Treatment-Resistant Depression

1. Behavioral Health Recipient has a diagnosis of depression.
2. An adequate trial of formulary antidepressant monotherapy from two different classes has been attempted with documented failure.
3. Initial TCA doses should start at the lowest dose with monitoring for heart rate, blood pressure, and pupillary reactive response suggested. A maintenance TCA dose request for TCA shall include: heart rate, blood pressure, pupillary reactive response, and TCA levels with submitted prior authorization request.

Guidelines for Approval of Fluvoxamine in Combination with Clomipramine, Amitriptyline, Desipramine or Imipramine for the Treatment of Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder

1. Behavioral Health Recipient has a diagnosis of obsessive-compulsive disorder.
2. An adequate trial on formulary monotherapy has been attempted with documented failure.
3. Monitoring parameters must be provided with initial request to include: heart rate, blood pressure, pupil reactive response, and TCA levels.



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