

Myrbetriq (mirabegron)

Disclaimer

Clinical guidelines are developed and adopted to establish evidence-based clinical criteria for utilization management decisions. Clinical guidelines are applicable according to policy and plan type. The Plan may delegate utilization management decisions of certain services to third parties who may develop and adopt their own clinical criteria.

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Summary

Myrbetriq (mirabegron) is a beta-3 adrenergic receptor (beta-3 AR) agonist indicated for the treatment of adult patients with overactive bladder (OAB) with symptoms of urge urinary incontinence, urgency, and urinary frequency, either as monotherapy or as combination therapy with solifenacin, a bladder-specific antimuscarinic agent. It is also indicated for neurogenic detrusor overactivity (NDO) in pediatric patients 3 years and older. By relaxing the detrusor muscle via beta-3 AR activation, bladder capacity is increased during the urine storage phase.

Beta-3 ARs are usually well-tolerated by patients and offer an alternative for patients experiencing intolerance to selective bladder antimuscarinics. Per guidelines for non-neurogenic OAB, either bladder-specific antimuscarinics or beta-3 ARs may be used as a second-line to behavioral interventions. Clinicians may consider combination therapy with an antimuscarinic and beta-3 AR for patients refractory to monotherapy with either an antimuscarinic or beta-3 AR alone.

Mirabegron therapy has the potential for increasing blood pressure and use is not recommended for those patients with severe uncontrolled hypertension (Adults, systolic blood pressure (SBP) \geq 180 mmHg or diastolic blood pressure (DBP) \geq 110 mmHg; Pediatrics, SBP and/or DBP above the 99th percentile plus 5 mmHg for age, sex, and stature).

Definitions

"**Neurogenic Detrusor Overactivity (NDO)**" is detrusor overactivity due to a neurologic condition, such as spinal cord injury or multiple sclerosis, resulting in urinary urgency, frequency, and incontinence.

"**Overactive Bladder (OAB)**" is a symptom complex characterized by urinary urgency, usually accompanied by increased urinary frequency and nocturia, with or without urge urinary incontinence.

"**Urinary antispasmodics**" are FDA-approved medications used to treat overactive bladder, urinary urgency, and urge incontinence.

"**Urinary retention**" is the incomplete emptying of the bladder.

Clinical Indications

The Plan considers **Myrbetriq (mirabegron)** medically necessary when **ALL** the following criteria are met for the applicable indication listed below:

Medical Necessity Criteria for Initial Authorization

Adult Overactive Bladder (OAB)

1. The member is 18 years of age or older; **AND**
2. The member has a diagnosis of overactive bladder with symptoms of urge urinary incontinence, urgency, and urinary frequency; **AND**
3. The member has documented trial and failure of behavioral therapies (e.g., bladder training, pelvic floor muscle training, fluid management); **AND**
4. The member is unable to use, or has tried and failed **TWO** of the following for at least a 30 day duration each:
 - a. darifenacin; **and/or**
 - b. fesoterodine; **and/or**
 - c. oxybutynin; **and/or**
 - d. solifenacin; **and/or**

- e. tolterodine; **and/or**
 - f. trospium; **AND**
5. The member does **NOT** have **ANY** of the following:
 - a. End stage renal disease (eGFR <15 mL/min/1.73m²); **or**
 - b. Uncontrolled hypertension defined as systolic blood pressure ≥ 180mm Hg and/or diastolic blood pressure ≥ 110mm Hg; **AND**
 6. Mirabegron is prescribed at FDA-approved dosing for overactive bladder of 25-50 mg once daily.

Pediatric Neurogenic Detrusor Overactivity (NDO)

1. The member is 3 years of age or older; **AND**
2. The member has a diagnosis of neurogenic detrusor overactivity; **AND**
3. The member has documented trial and failure of non-pharmacologic therapies (e.g. voiding behavior modification); **AND**
4. **IF** the member is 6 years of age or older, the member is unable to use, or has tried and failed **BOTH** of the following for at least a 30 day duration each:
 - a. fesoterodine; **and/or**
 - b. oxybutynin; **AND**
5. The member does **NOT** have **ANY** of the following:
 - a. Severe uncontrolled hypertension, defined as a systolic and/or diastolic blood pressure above the 99th percentile plus 5 mm Hg for age, sex, and stature using appropriate reference values; **or**
 - b. End stage renal disease (eGFR <15 mL/min/1.73m²); **AND**
6. Mirabegron is prescribed at FDA-approved weight-based dosing for pediatric NDO:
 - a. 11 kg to <22 kg: Oral granules 24-48 mg once daily; **or**
 - b. 22 kg to <35 kg: Oral granules 32-64 mg once daily; **or**
 - c. ≥35 kg: Oral tablets 25-50 mg once daily or oral granules 48-80 mg once daily.

If the above prior authorization criteria are met, the requested product will be authorized for 12-months.

Medical Necessity Criteria for Reauthorization

Adult Overactive Bladder (OAB)

Reauthorization for overactive bladder in adults will be granted for 12 months if the member has experienced clinically significant improvement in urgency, frequency and incontinence episodes documented in chart notes.

Pediatric Neurogenic Detrusor Overactivity (NDO)

Reauthorization for pediatric neurogenic detrusor overactivity will be granted for 12 months if the member has a documented positive clinical response such as reduced incontinence episodes or improved bladder capacity.

Experimental or Investigational / Not Medically Necessary

Myrbetriq (mirabegron for any other indication or use is considered not medically necessary by the Plan, as it is deemed to be experimental, investigational, or unproven. Non-covered indications include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Kidney Stones
- Interstitial Cystitis
- Multiple Sclerosis
- Nocturnal Enuresis
- Parkinson's Disease (PD)

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