

Prior Authorization DRUG Guidelines

Tivicay (dolutegravir)

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Dolutegravir is an HIV-1 antiviral agent that binds to the integrase active site and inhibits the strand transfer step of HIV-1 DNA integration necessary for HIV replication. Please note that the Institute for Safe Medication Practices (ISMP) includes dolutegravir among its list of drugs having a heightened risk of significant patient harm when used in error. Please also note that use is complicated by instances of INSTI (integrase strand transfer inhibitor) resistance.

Pre-authorization Criteria: Treatment of HIV-1 infection in combination with other antiretroviral agents in adult and pediatric patients weighing at least 30 kg who are treatment naïve or treatment-experienced but integrase strand transfer inhibitor (INSTI) naïve, or INSTI experienced with certain INSTI-associated resistance substitutions or clinically suspected INSTI resistance.

Off-Label use: HIV-1 non-occupational post-exposure prophylaxis (nPEP). Please see the VCHCP Coverage of Prescription Medication for Off-Label Use policy.

Note:

VCHCP requires that Combivir be prescribed by an Immunology Clinic physician with current American Academy of HIV Medicine (AAHIVM) certification or a physician boarded in Infectious Disease.

Dosing:

Treatment-naïve or treatment-experienced integrase strand transfer inhibitor (INSTI)-naïve: Oral: 50 mg once daily

Treatment-naïve or treatment-experienced INSTI-naïve when co-administered with carbamazepine, efavirenz, fosamprenavir/ritonavir, tipranavir/ritonavir, or rifampin:
Oral: 50 mg twice daily (pediatric 30-40 kg: 35 mg)

INSTI-experienced with certain INSTI-associated resistance substitutions or clinically suspected INSTI resistance (**Note:** Consult prescribing information for details): Oral: 50 mg twice daily (pediatric 30-40 kg: 35 mg)

Off-Label Use: nPEP: Adults and adolescents weighing ≥ 40 kg: Oral: 50 mg once daily for 28 days in combination with other antiretroviral agents. Initiate therapy within 72 hours of exposure.

How Supplied: oral tablets 10, 25, 50 mg

Adverse Reactions/Precautions: abdominal pain, nausea, flatulence, pruritus, fatigue, headache, depression/insomnia; hypersensitivity reactions; has not been studied in patients with liver impairment

Drug Interactions: mineral salts (e.g. calcium, iron, zinc, selenium) decrease serum concentration; other drugs decrease serum concentration (see product literature)

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