

Commercial/Healthcare Exchange PA Criteria

Effective: December 2011

Prior Authorization: ketorolac nasal spray

Products Affected: Sprix (ketorolac) nasal spray, ketorolac nasal spray

Medication Description: Sprix is a nasal Nonsteroidal Anti-inflammatory Drug (NSAID) that reversibly inhibits cyclooxygenase-1 and 2 (COX-1 and 2) enzymes, which results in decreased formation of prostaglandin precursors; has antipyretic, analgesic, and anti-inflammatory properties.

Covered Uses: Short term (up to 5 days) management of moderate to moderately severe pain that requires analgesia at the opioid level in adult patients.

Exclusion Criteria:

1. Known hypersensitivity (e.g., anaphylactic reactions and serious skin reactions) to ketorolac
2. History of asthma, urticaria, or other allergic-type reactions after taking aspirin or other NSAIDs.
3. In the setting of coronary artery bypass graft (CABG) surgery.
4. Use in patients with active peptic ulcer disease and in patients with recent gastrointestinal bleeding or perforation.
5. Use as a prophylactic analgesic before any major surgery
6. Use in patients with advanced renal disease or patients at risk for renal failure due to volume depletion.
7. Use in labor and delivery.
8. Use in patients with suspected or confirmed cerebrovascular bleeding, hemorrhagic diathesis, incomplete hemostasis, or those for whom hemostasis is critical.
9. Concomitant use with probenecid.
10. Concomitant use with pentoxifylline.

Required Medical Information:

1. Diagnosis
2. History of previous medications tried/failed

Age Restrictions: 17 years of age and older

Prescriber Restrictions: N/A

Coverage Duration: 5 days

Other Criteria:

- A. Patient has moderate to moderately severe pain; AND
- B. Patient has had an intolerance to, or treatment failure of, TWO generic oral NSAIDS (e.g. ketorolac, meloxicam, naproxen, ibuprofen, diclofenac); AND
- C. The patient is unable to ingest solid dosage forms due to one of the following:
 - i. Oral/motor difficulties; OR
 - ii. Dysphagia

References:

1. Sprix Full Prescribing Information, Shirley, NY, American Reagent Inc,
2. Facts & Comparisons online

Policy Revision history

Rev #	Type of Change	Summary of Change	Sections Affected	Date
1	New Policy	New Policy	All	December 2011
2	Policy Update	Updated Template from CCI to EH Updated exclusion criteria to include all FDA labeled contraindications CCI Revision Record: 11/16	All	2/4/2020
3	Update	Addition of generic ketorolac nasal spray Age Restriction updated to 17 to match FDA label	Products Affected Age Restriction	3/27/2020

