

STEP THERAPY CRITERIA

DRUG CLASS**XANTHINE OXIDASE INHIBITORS****BRAND NAME
(generic)****ULORIC
(febuxostat)****Status: CVS Caremark Criteria****Type: Initial Step Therapy; Post Step Therapy Prior Authorization****POLICY****FDA-APPROVED INDICATIONS**

Uloric is a xanthine oxidase (XO) inhibitor indicated for the chronic management of hyperuricemia in patients with gout. Uloric is not recommended for the treatment of asymptomatic hyperuricemia.

INITIAL STEP THERAPY

If the patient has filled a prescription for a 30 day supply of allopurinol within the past 180 days under a prescription benefit administered by CVS Caremark, then the requested drug will be paid under that prescription benefit. If the patient does not meet the initial step therapy criteria, then the claim will reject with a message indicating that a prior authorization (PA) is required. The prior authorization criteria would then be applied to requests submitted for evaluation to the PA unit.

COVERAGE CRITERIA

The requested drug will be covered with prior authorization when the following criteria are met:

- The patient has a diagnosis of gout

AND

- The patient has experienced an inadequate treatment response, intolerance or contraindication to allopurinol

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