QUANTITY LIMIT CRITERIA

DRUG CLASS ALBUTEROL ORAL INHALERS

BRAND NAME* (generic)

PROAIR DIGIHALER

(albuterol)

PROAIR HFA (albuterol)

PROAIR RESPICLICK

(albuterol)

PROVENTIL HFA

(albuterol)

VENTOLIN HFA

(albuterol)

Status: CVS Caremark Criteria COVID19

Type: Quantity Limit

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FDA-APPROVED INDICATIONS

ProAir Digihaler

Bronchospasm

ProAir Digihaler inhalation powder is indicated for the treatment or prevention of bronchospasm in patients 4 years of age and older with reversible obstructive airway disease.

Exercise-Induced Bronchospasm

ProAir Digihaler is indicated for the prevention of exercise-induced bronchospasm in patients 4 years of age and older.

ProAir HFA

Bronchospasm

ProAir HFA Inhalation Aerosol is indicated for the treatment or prevention of bronchospasm in patients 4 years of age and older with reversible obstructive airway disease.

Exercise-Induced Bronchospasm

Proair HFA Inhalation Aerosol is indicated for the prevention of exercise induced bronchospasm in patients 4 years of age and older.

ProAir RespiClick

Bronchospasm

ProAir RespiClick (albuterol sulfate) inhalation powder is indicated for the treatment or prevention of bronchospasm in patients 4 years of age and older with reversible obstructive airway disease.

Exercise-Induced Bronchospasm

ProAir RespiClick is indicated for the prevention of exercise-induced bronchospasm in patients 4 years of age and older.

^{*}Drugs that are listed in the target drug box include both brand and generic and all dosage forms and strengths unless otherwise stated. OTC products are not included unless otherwise stated.

Proventil HFA

Proventil HFA Inhalation Aerosol is indicated in adults and children 4 years of age and older for the treatment or prevention of bronchospasm with reversible obstructive airway disease and for the prevention of exercise-induced bronchospasm.

Ventolin HFA

Bronchospasm

Ventolin HFA is indicated for the treatment or prevention of bronchospasm in patients 4 years of age and older with reversible obstructive airway disease.

Exercise-Induced Bronchospasm

Ventolin HFA is indicated for the prevention of exercise-induced bronchospasm in patients 4 years of age and older.

RATIONALE

The 1 month limit is a quantity sufficient at maximum recommended dosage for 30 days supply and the 3 months limit is 3 times the 1 month limit. If the patient is requesting more than the initial quantity limit the claim will reject with a message indicating that quantity limits are exceeded.

More frequent administration or higher doses or a larger number of inhalations is not recommended.

ProAir Digihaler

For treatment of acute episodes of bronchospasm or prevention of symptoms associated with bronchospasm, the recommended dosage for adults and children 4 years of age or older is 2 inhalations repeated every 4 to 6 hours. In some patients, 1 inhalation every 4 hours may be sufficient.

For prevention of exercise-induced bronchospasm, the recommended dosage for adults and children 4 years of age or older is 2 inhalations 15 to 30 minutes before exercise.

ProAir Digihaler contains a QR code and a built-in electronic module which automatically detects, records, and stores data on inhaler events, including peak inspiratory flow rate (L/min). ProAir Digihaler may pair with and transmit data to the mobile App via Bluetooth wireless technology where inhaler events are categorized.

ProAir Digihaler inhalation powder is supplied as an inhaler in boxes of one and provides 200 actuations.

ProAir HFA

For treatment of acute episodes of bronchospasm or prevention of symptoms associated with bronchospasm, the usual dosage for adults and children 4 years and older is two inhalations repeated every 4 to 6 hours. In some patients, one inhalation every 4 hours may be sufficient.

For prevention of exercise-induced bronchospasm the usual dosage for adults and children 4 years of age or older is two inhalations 15 to 30 minutes before exercise.

ProAir HFA Inhalation Aerosol is supplied as an 8.5g canister in boxes of one providing 200 actuations.

ProAir RespiClick

For treatment of acute episodes of bronchospasm or prevention of symptoms associated with bronchospasm, the recommended dosage for adults and children 4 years of age or older is 2 inhalations repeated every 4 to 6 hours. In some patients, 1 inhalation every 4 hours may be sufficient.

For prevention of exercise-induced bronchospasm, the recommended dosage for adults and children 4 years of age or older is 2 inhalations 15 to 30 minutes before exercise.

ProAir RespiClick inhalation powder is supplied as an inhaler in boxes of one and provides 200 actuations.

Proventil HFA

For treatment of acute episodes of bronchospasm or prevention of asthmatic symptoms, the usual dosage for adults and children 4 years of age and older is two inhalations repeated every 4 to 6 hours. In some patients, one inhalation every 4 hours may be sufficient.

For exercise induced bronchospasm prevention, the usual dosage for adults and children 4 years of age and older is two inhalations 15 to 30 minutes before exercise.

Proventil HFA Inhalation Aerosol is supplied as a canister with net weight of 6.7g containing 200 inhalations.

Ventolin HFA

For treatment of acute episodes of bronchospasm or prevention of symptoms associated with bronchospasm, the usual dosage for adults and children is 2 inhalations repeated every 4 to 6 hours; in some patients, 1 inhalation every 4 hours may be sufficient.

For the prevention of exercise-induced bronchospasm the usual dosage for adults and children 4 years of age and older is 2 inhalations 15 to 30 minutes before exercise.

Ventolin HFA is supplied as an 18g canister containing 200 actuations, and as an 8g canister containing 60 actuations.

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PLEASE NOTE: Since manufacturer package sizes may vary, it is the discretion of the dispensing pharmacy to fill quantities per package size up to these quantity limits. In such cases the filling limit and day supply may be less than what is indicated.

Medication*	Maintenance Dose	Maximum Daily Dose	Package Size	1 Month Limit* 3 Months Limit*
ProAir Digihaler	1-2 inhalations every 4-6 hours	12 inhalations	200 inhalations per inhaler	2 packages / 25 days 6 packages / 75 days
ProAir HFA	1-2 inhalations every 4-6 hours	12 inhalations	200 inhalations per 8.5gm canister	2 packages (8.5gm each) / 25 days 6 packages (8.5gm each) / 75 days
ProAir RespiClick	1-2 inhalations every 4-6 hours	12 inhalations	200 inhalations per inhaler	2 packages / 25 days 6 packages / 75 days
Proventil HFA	1-2 inhalations every 4-6 hours	12 inhalations	200 inhalations per 6.7gm canister	2 packages (6.7gm each) / 25 days 6 packages (6.7gm each) / 75 days
Ventolin HFA	1-2 inhalations every 4-6 hours	12 inhalations	60 inhalations per 8gm canister	6 packages (8gm each) / 25 days 18 packages (8gm each) / 75 days
			200 inhalations per 18gm canister	2 packages (18gm each) / 25 days 6 packages (18gm each) / 75 days

^{*}The duration of 25 days is used for a 30-day fill period and 75 days is used for a 90-day fill period to allow time for refill processing.
*The limit criteria apply to both brand and generic, if available.