

## STEP THERAPY CRITERIA

**BRAND NAME**  
(generic)

**ERGOMAR**  
(ergotamine tartrate sublingual tablets)

**Status: CVS Caremark Criteria**

**Type: Initial Step Therapy; Post Step Therapy Prior Authorization**

### POLICY

#### FDA-APPROVED INDICATIONS

Ergomar is indicated as therapy to abort or prevent vascular headache, e.g., migraine, migraine variants or a so-called "histaminic cephalalgia".

#### INITIAL STEP THERAPY

If the patient has filled a prescription for a 7 day supply of generic ergotamine, generic dihydroergotamine, or generic 5-HT<sub>1</sub> agonists (triptans) within the past 120 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 vascular headache, e.g., migraine, migraine variants or a so-called histaminic cephalalgia
- AND**
- The patient experienced an inadequate treatment response, intolerance, or contraindication to generic ergotamine, generic dihydroergotamine, or generic 5-HT<sub>1</sub> agonists (triptans)

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