

QUANTITY LIMIT CRITERIA

BRAND NAME
(generic)

ketorolac oral

SPRIX
(ketorolac nasal spray)

Status: CVS Caremark Criteria

Type: Quantity Limit

POLICY

FDA-APPROVED INDICATIONS

Ketorolac

Carefully consider the potential benefits and risks of ketorolac and other treatment options before deciding to use ketorolac. Use the lowest effective dose for the shortest duration consistent with individual patient treatment goals.

Acute Pain in Adult Patients

Ketorolac tablets are indicated for the short-term (≤ 5 days) management of moderately severe acute pain that requires analgesia at the opioid level, usually in a postoperative setting. Therapy should always be initiated with IV or IM dosing of ketorolac and ketorolac tablets are to be used only as continuation treatment, if necessary.

The total combined duration of use of ketorolac (IV/IM) and ketorolac tablets is not to exceed five days of use because of the potential of increasing the frequency and severity of adverse reactions associated with the recommended doses. Patients should be switched to alternative analgesics as soon as possible, but ketorolac oral therapy is not to exceed five days.

Sprix

Sprix is indicated in adult patients for the short term (up to 5 days) management of moderate to moderately severe pain that requires analgesia at the opioid level.

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LIMIT CRITERIA

The intent is for the patient to receive only one drug from this drug class at a time; this quantity limit should accumulate across the entire ketorolac drug class. Accumulation does not apply if limit is coded for daily dose.

Drug

1 Month Limit and 3 Months Limit*

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Ketorolac tablets	20 tablets / 25 days
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Sprix nasal spray	5 bottles/ 25 days
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**The duration of 25 days is used for a 30-day fill period.*

**** This drug is indicated for short-term acute use; therefore, the mail limit will be the same as the retail limit.***