

## PRIOR AUTHORIZATION CRITERIA

**BRAND NAME**  
(generic)

**NAMENDA (all dosage forms)**  
(memantine hydrochloride)

**Prior Authorization applies only to patients less than 30 years of age.**

**Status: CVS Caremark Criteria**

**Type: Initial Prior Authorization with Age Edit**

### POLICY

#### FDA-APPROVED INDICATIONS

Namenda and Namenda XR are indicated for the treatment of moderate to severe dementia of the Alzheimer's type.

#### COVERAGE CRITERIA

The requested drug will be covered with prior authorization for patients less than 30 years of age when the following criteria are met:

- The patient has a diagnosis of moderate to severe dementia of the Alzheimer's type

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