

### Clinical Pharmacy Program Guidelines for Austedo

Program	Prior Authorization
Medication	Austedo (deutetrabenazine)
Markets in Scope	Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Nevada, New Jersey, New York, New York EPP, Pennsylvania-CHIP, Rhode Island, South Carolina
Issue Date	10/2017
Pharmacy and Therapeutics Approval Date	11/2020
Effective Date	12/2020

**1. Background:**

Austedo is a vesicular monoamine transporter 2 (VMAT2) inhibitor indicated for the treatment of chorea associated with Huntington’s disease. Austedo is also indicated for the treatment of tardive dyskinesia in adults.

**2. Coverage Criteria:**

<p><b>A. <u>Tardive Dyskinesia</u></b></p> <p>1. <b><u>Initial Authorization</u></b></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">a. Diagnosis of moderate to severe tardive dyskinesia</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>-AND-</b></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">b. <b><u>One</u></b> of the following:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(1) Patient has persistent symptoms of tardive dyskinesia despite a trial of dose reduction, tapering, or discontinuation of the offending medication</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>-OR-</b></p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(2) Patient is not a candidate for a trial of dose reduction, tapering, or discontinuation of the offending medication</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>-AND-</b></p>
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c. Prescribed by or in consultation with one of the following:

- Neurologist
- Psychiatrist

**-AND-**

d. History of failure, contraindication, or intolerance to Ingrezza

**Authorization will be issued for 12 months.**

2. **Reauthorization**

a. Documentation of positive clinical response to Austedo therapy

**Authorization will be issued for 12 months.**

**B. Chorea associated with Huntington's disease**

1. **Initial Authorization**

a. Diagnosis of chorea associated with Huntington's disease

**-AND-**

b. Prescribed by or in consultation with a neurologist

**-AND-**

c. History of failure, contraindication, or intolerance to tetrabenazine

**Authorization will be issued for 12 months.**

2. **Reauthorization**

a. Documentation of positive clinical response to Austedo therapy

**Authorization will be issued for 12 months.**

**3. Additional Clinical Rules:**

- Notwithstanding Coverage Criteria, UnitedHealthcare may approve initial and re-authorization based solely on previous claim/medication history, diagnosis codes (ICD-10) and/or claim logic. Use of automated approval and re-approval processes varies by program and/or therapeutic class.

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- Supply limits may be in place.

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Program	Prior Authorization –Austedo (deutetrabenazine)
<b>Change Control</b>	
Date	Change
10/2017	New program
2/2018	Added trial of Ingrezza for tardive dyskinesia and trial of tetrabenazine for chorea associated with Huntington’s disease due to PDL changes effective 4/1/18.
2/2019	Annual review, updated background.
5/2020	Annual review. Updated references.
11/2020	Annual review. Updated references