



UnitedHealthcare Pharmacy
Clinical Pharmacy Programs

Program Number	2020 P 3111-4
Program	Step Therapy - COPD
Medication	Seebri Neohaler (glycopyrrolate)
P&T Approval Date	6/2018, 5/2019, 6/2019, 5/2020
Effective Date	8/1/2020; Oxford only: 8/1/2020

1. Background:

Seebri Neohaler (glycopyrrolate) is indicated for the long-term, maintenance treatment of airflow obstruction or bronchospasm in patients with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), including chronic bronchitis and/or emphysema.

Step therapy programs are intended to encourage the use of lower cost alternatives for certain therapeutic classes. This program requires a member to try an alternative long-acting antimuscarinic agent before providing coverage for Seebri Neohaler.

2. Coverage Criteria^a:

A. Authorization

1. Seebri Neohaler will be approved based on the following criterion:

a. History of failure, contraindication or intolerance to **both** of the following:

- 1) Spiriva Handihaler or Respimat (tiotropium)
- 2) Incruse Ellipta (umeclidinium)

Authorization will be issued for 12 months.

^a State mandates may apply. Any federal regulatory requirements and the member specific benefit plan coverage may also impact coverage criteria. Other policies and utilization management programs may apply.

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.
- Supply limits may apply.

4. References:

1. Seebri Neohaler prescribing information. Sunovion Pharmaceuticals Inc: Marlborough, MA; January 2018.

Program	Step Therapy – COPD
Change Control	
Date	Change
6/2018	New program.
5/2019	Annual review. Added an authorization look back for current users and updated references.
6/2019	Tudorza Pressair was removed as a step 1 option
5/2020	Removed authorization look back in background section.