

June 17, 2013

Montelukast (Singulair®) Coverage Changes The

following changes will take effect June 17, 2013.

- Montelukast tablets and chewable tablets are now available without prior authorization for members age 20 and younger.
- Montelukast granules require prior authorization for all ages. Authorization requires patientspecific clinically significant reason why member cannot use montelukast tablets or chewable tablets. Age-appropriate trials of asthma and/or allergic rhinitis medications are required.
- Prior authorization is required for members age 21 and older.

Approval Criteria for Asthma (age 21 and older)

Diagnosis of mild or moderate persistent asthma, and/or exercise induced asthma

Approval Criteria for Allergic Rhinitis Diagnosis (age 21 and older)

 Recent trial of an oral antihistamine of 14 days duration within the past 30 days that has failed to relieve allergic rhinitis symptoms

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