

Division: Pharmacy Policy	Subject: Prior Authorization Criteria
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FETZIMA® (lenomilnacipran) extended-release capsules

LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATION: Up to one year

INITIAL REVIEW CRITERIA (ALL OF THE FOLLOWING MUST BE TRUE):

- Patient must be ≥18 years old
- Patient must have a confirmed diagnosis of depression
- Trial and failure with a minimum of two other antidepressant drugs within the past 365 days.
 - One of these two antidepressants must have been in the SNRI class AND
 - Claims history documents a minimum of at least 2 consecutive fills (60 day trial) of the SNRI.

*(Failure can be defined as inefficacy or intolerability, **not** non-compliance)*

CONTINUATION OF THERAPY:

- Must have recent claims history (within previous 3 months) of Fetzima

DOSING & ADMINISTRATION:

- *Recommended dose:* 40 mg to 120 mg once daily with or without food.
- Initiate dose at 20 mg once daily for 2 days and then increase to 40 mg once daily.
- Based on efficacy and tolerability, increase dose in increments of 40 mg at intervals of 2 or more days.
- The maximum recommended dose is 120 mg once daily
- Dosage Form: 20 mg, 40 mg, 80 mg and 120 mg extended release capsules