

Prior Authorization DRUG Guidelines

Invega Sustenna, Invega Trinza

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Paliperidone (Invega Sustenna®, Invega Trinza®) is an atypical antipsychotic. It is the primary active metabolite of risperidone (Risperdal), available in oral and various injectable formulations: (Invega Sustenna®, Invega Trinza®, Invega Hayfera®).

Invega Sustenna is a monthly injection, Invega Trinza every three months and Invega Hayfera every six months. This publication considers the Sustenna and Trinza formulations.

FDA Approved Indication(s) Invega Sustenna is indicated:

- For the treatment of schizophrenia in adults
- For the treatment of schizoaffective disorder in adults as monotherapy and as an adjunct to mood stabilizers or antidepressants

Invega Trinza is indicated:

For the treatment of schizophrenia in patients after they have been adequately treated with Invega Sustenna for at least 4 months.

Pre-Authorization Criteria:

Provider must submit documentation (such as office chart notes, lab results or other clinical information) supporting that member has met all approval criteria.

- I. Initial Approval Criteria
- A. Schizophrenia (must meet all):
 - 1. Diagnosis of schizophrenia AND,
 - 2. Prescribed by or in consultation with a psychiatrist AND,
 - 3. Age \geq 18 years **AND**,
 - 4. Failure of Risperdal Consta (risperidone q2wk injections) unless contraindicated or clinically significant adverse effects are experienced;
 - 5. One of the following (a or b):
 - a. If Invega Sustenna is requested, meets (i or ii):
 - i. Established tolerability with long-acting risperidone injection (Risperdal Consta®) OR,
 - ii. Established tolerability with oral paliperidone or risperidone AND has a history of nonadherence to oral antipsychotic therapy (see Appendix for examples);
 - b. If Invega Trinza is requested, adequate treatment has been established with Invega Sustenna for ≥ 4 months;
 - 6. Dose does not exceed (a or b):
 - a. Invega Sustenna: 234 mg per month OR
 - b. Invega Trinza: 819 mg every 3 months

- B. Schizoaffective Disorder (must meet all):
 - 1. Diagnosis of schizoaffective disorder AND,
 - 2. Request is for Invega Sustenna AND,
 - 3. Prescribed by or in consultation with a psychiatrist AND,
 - 4. Age \geq 18 years **AND**,
 - 5. History of non-adherence to oral antipsychotic therapy AND,
 - 6. Established tolerability with oral paliperidone or risperidone AND,
 - 7. Dose does not exceed 234 mg per month.

II. Continued Therapy

- D. All Indications in Section I (must meet all):
 - 1. Documentation supports that member is currently receiving Invega Sustenna for schizophrenia or schizoaffective disorder, or Invega Trinza for schizophrenia, and has received this medication for at least 30 days **AND**,
 - 2. Member is responding positively to therapy AND,
 - 3. If request is for a dose increase, new dose does not exceed the following (a or b):
 - a. Invega Sustenna: 234 mg per month OR;
 - b. Invega Trinza: 819 mg every 3 months.
- E. Other diagnoses/indications (must meet 1 or 2):
 - 1. Documentation supports positive response to therapy OR,
 - 2. If diagnosis is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized).
- III. Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized:
 - F. Non-FDA approved indications, which are not addressed in this policy
 - G. Dementia-related psychosis.

Appendix

Typical/First Generation Antipsychotics†	Atypical/Second Generation Antipsychotics		
Chlorpromazine (Thorazine)	Aripiprazole (Abilify)*		
 Fluphenazine (Prolixin) 	 Asenapine maleate (Saphris) 		
Haloperidol (Haldol)	Brexpiprazole (Rexulti)		
 Loxapine (Loxitane) 	Cariprazine (Vraylar)		
 Perphenazine (Trilafon) 	Clozapine (Clozaril)		
Pimozide (Orap)	Iloperidone (Fanapt)		
Thioridazine (Mellaril)	Lurasidone (Latuda)		
Thiothixene (Navane)	Olanzapine (Zyprexa)*		
 Trifluoperazine (Stelazine) 	 Olanzapine/Fluoxetine (Symbyax) 		
	Paliperidone (Invega)*		
	Quetiapine (Seroquel)		
	Risperidone (Risperdal)*		
	Ziprasidone (Geodon)		

[†]Most typical/first generation antipsychotics are available only as generics in the U.S. *Long-acting injectable formulation available

References

- 1. Invega Sustenna Prescribing Information. Titusville, NJ: Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc.; March 2018. Available at https://www.invegasustennahcp.com/. Accessed May 1,2018.
- 2. Invega Trinza Prescribing Information. Titusville, NJ: Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc.; March 2018. Available at https://www.invegatrinzahcp.com/. Accessed May 1, 2018.

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