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Applicable	X	X	X	X	X	X	NA

## Uptravi (selexipag)

Override(s)	Approval Duration
Prior Authorization Quantity Limit	1 year

Medications	Quantity Limit
Uptravi 200 mcg-800 mcg Titration Pack	May be subject to quantity limit
Uptravi 200 mcg, 400 mcg, 600 mcg, 800 mcg, 1000 mcg, 1200 mcg, 1400 mcg, 1600 mcg	

### APPROVAL CRITERIA

Requests for Uptravi (selexipag) may be approved if the following criteria are met:

- I. Individual has pulmonary arterial hypertension (PAH) [World Health Organization (WHO) Group 1]<sup>1</sup>; **AND**
- II. Individual has the diagnosis of PAH confirmed by a right-heart catheterization showing all of the following (Hoepfer, 2013; Ivy, 2013; Abman, 2015):
  - A. Mean pulmonary artery pressure (mPAP) greater than or equal to 25 mm Hg at rest;
  - B. Pulmonary capillary wedge pressure (PCWP), mean pulmonary artery wedge pressure (PAWP), left atrial pressure, or left ventricular end-diastolic pressure (LVEDP) less than or equal to 15 mm Hg;
  - C. Pulmonary vascular resistance (PVR) greater than 3 Wood units; **AND**
- III. Individual has WHO functional class II-IV<sup>2</sup> symptoms.

Uptravi (selexipag) may not be approved for the following:

- I. Individual has a diagnosis of severe hepatic impairment (Child-Pugh Class C); **OR**
- II. In combination with prostacyclin analogs [such as but not limited to treprostinil (Orenitram, Remodulin, Tyvaso), epoprostenol (Flolan, Veletri), Ventavis (iloprost)]; **OR**
- III. Individual is on dialysis or a glomerular filtration rate less than 15 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>.

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### **Notes:**

1. WHO Pulmonary Hypertension (PH) Group Classification (ACCF/AHA 2009):
  - A. Group 1: Pulmonary arterial hypertension (PAH)
  - B. Group 2: PH due to left heart disease
  - C. Group 3: PH due to lung diseases and/or hypoxia
  - D. Group 4: Chronic thromboembolic PH (CTEPH)
  - E. Group 5: Miscellaneous/PH with unclear multifactorial mechanisms
  
2. WHO functional classification of PH (CHEST 2014):
  - A. Class I: No limitation of physical activity. Ordinary physical activity does not cause undue dyspnea or fatigue, chest pain, or near syncope.
  - B. Class II: Slight limitation of physical activity. Comfortable at rest but ordinary physical activity causes undue dyspnea or fatigue, chest pain, or near syncope.
  - C. Class III: Marked limitation of physical activity. Comfortable at rest but less than ordinary activity causes undue dyspnea or fatigue, chest pain, or near syncope.
  - D. Class IV: Inability to carry out any physical activity without symptoms. Dyspnea and/or fatigue may be present at rest and discomfort is increased by any physical activity.

State Specific Mandates		
State name	Date effective	Mandate details (including specific bill if applicable)
N/A	N/A	N/A

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