

# Corlanor (ivabradine)

Override(s)	Approval Duration
Prior Authorization	1 year

Medications
Corlanor (ivabradine) tablets Corlanor (ivabradine) oral solution ampules

## APPROVAL CRITERIA

Initial requests for Corlanor (ivabradine) may be approved if the following criteria are met:

- I. Individual is 18 years of age or older; **AND**
- II. Individual is using for the treatment of New York Heart Association (NYHA) class II, III, or IV heart failure symptoms; **AND**
- III. Individual has a left ventricular ejection fraction less than or equal to 35%; **AND**
- IV. Individual will be:
  - A. Utilizing in combination with a beta-blocker (bisoprolol, carvedilol, metoprolol succinate); **OR**
  - B. Has a contraindication or intolerance to beta-blocker therapy; **AND**
- V. Individual is in normal sinus rhythm; **AND**
- VI. Individual has a resting heart rate greater than or equal to 70 beats per minute;

### **OR**

- VII. Individual is less than 18 years of age; **AND**
- VIII. Individual is using for the treatment of New York Heart Association (NYHA) class II, III, or IV heart failure symptoms due to dilated cardiomyopathy; **AND**
- IX. Individual has a left ventricular ejection fraction less than or equal to 45%; **AND**
- X. Individual is in normal sinus rhythm; **AND**
- XI. Individual has an elevated resting heart rate.

Continuation requests for Corlanor (ivabradine) may be approved if the following criteria are met:

- I. Individual is using Corlanor (ivabradine) for the treatment of heart failure symptoms; **AND**
- II. There is clinically significant improvement or stabilization in clinical signs and symptoms of disease (including but not limited to improvement in heart failure symptoms, reduction in heart failure related physical limitations, reduction in hospitalization); **AND**
- III. Individual is in normal sinus rhythm; **AND**
- IV. If individual is over 18 years of age, individual continues to use Corlanor (ivabradine) in combination with beta-blocker (bisoprolol, carvedilol, metoprolol succinate) therapy unless contraindicated or not tolerated.

Corlanor (ivabradine) may not be approved for any of the following:

- I. Individual's heart rate is maintained exclusively by a pacemaker; **OR**
- II. Individual has clinically significant hypotension; **OR**
- III. Individual has severe hepatic impairment (Child-Pugh class C).

**Key References:**

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