Ancobon (flucytosine)

Override(s)	Approval Duration
Prior Authorization	1 year

Medications	
Ancobon (flucytosine)	

APPROVAL CRITERIA

Requests for Ancobon (flucytosine) may be approved when the following criteria are met:

- I. Individual has a diagnosis of one of the following:
 - A. Serious *Candida* infection, including urinary tract or pulmonary infections, candidemia, endocarditis, meningitis and endophthalmitis; **OR**
 - B. Serious cryptococcal infections, including pulmonary infections, septicemia and meningitis; **OR**

AND

II. Ancobon (flucytosine) will be used in combination with amphotericin B;

OR

III. Individual is using alone or in combination with other antifungals for treatment of chromoblastomycosis (chromomycosis) caused by various dematiaceous fungi (such as Cladosporium, Exophiala, Phialophora) (AHFS);

OR

- IV. Individual is using for induction therapy for the treatment of acute infection of cryptococcal meningitis in HIV-infected individuals (DrugPoints BIIa,);
 AND
- V. Individual is using in combination with one of the following:
 - A. Amphotericin B; OR
 - B. Fluconazole;

OR

VI. Individual is transitioning from inpatient treatment to an outpatient setting and requires continued therapy for an organism susceptible to Ancobon.

Ancobon (flucytosine) may not be approved for the following:

I. Individual with known complete dihydropyrimidine dehydrogenase (DPD) enzyme deficiency.

Note:

Ancobon (flucytosine) has a black box warning indicating that use should be approached with extreme caution in individuals with impaired renal function. Close monitoring of hematologic, renal and hepatic status of all individuals is essential.

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Federal and state laws or requirements, contract language, and Plan utilization management programs or polices may take precedence over the application of this clinical criteria.

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