

CGRP ANTAGONISTS



PRIOR AUTHORIZATION IS REQUIRED.

Learn about Aimovig® (erenumab-aooe), Ajoovy® (fremanezumab-vfrm), the preferred preventive treatments of episodic and chronic migraine and cluster headaches in adults (as of April 2022).

All prophylactic migraine CGRP antagonists require prior authorization.

Criteria for Approval of Prior Authorization*

- Documentation of the number of migraine days and headache days per month:
 - ✓ Episodic migraine: **4-14 headache days** per month.
 - ✓ Chronic migraine: at least **15 headache days** per month **and** at least **8 migraine days** per month.
 - ✓ Cluster headache: at least **one cluster attack every other day** and no more than 8 attacks per day.
- **For a nonpreferred agent:** a trial of **all** preferred agents; Aimovig and Ajoovy is required.
- For episodic and chronic migraine: a trial of **3 different prophylactic** agents for at least 2 months (e.g., divalproex sodium, sodium valproate, topiramate, metoprolol, propranolol).
- For cluster headache: a two-week trial of Verapamil and Suboccipital steroid injections.

Important Reminders for Submitting a Prior Authorization

- Be sure to indicate if you are prescribing Nurtec for treatment or prophylaxis
- Document the number of headache days per month that the member experiences
- If there is a reason that the criteria cannot be met, document the rationale clearly and completely on the initial request.
- Documentation of improvement is required for continued treatment.

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* Criteria subject to change.