

MHIL Provider Memo

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Therapeutic Duplication Edit for CGRP Migraine Medications

Molina Healthcare of Illinois (Molina) is informing providers that, effective February 1, 2026, Molina will implement a Drug Utilization Review (DUR) edit targeting CGRP (calcitonin gene-related peptide) antagonists, specifically the two subclasses gepants and monoclonal antibodies (MAB). This edit applies to Medicaid.

What's changing?

- Concurrent use of multiple gepants or multiple MABs is not supported by FDA labeling or clinical guidelines.
- This DUR edit will limit therapy to one CGRP gepant at a time and one CGRP MAB at a time.

Why this matters

These changes promote evidence-based prescribing, reduce unnecessary medication costs, and prevent therapeutic duplication.

Provider action required

- Review members currently receiving two drugs from the gepants table or two drugs from the MABs tables below.
- Assess whether continued use of both agents is clinically necessary.
- Current members who are approved for one or more of these agents will continue to receive these medications for the remaining duration of their authorization.
- For new exception requests, submit a Prior Authorization request per standard procedures.

CGRP antagonists gepants

Brand Name (Active Ingredient)	Mechanism of Action	Type of Migraine Treatment
Nurtec (Rimegepant)	Blocks CGRP receptor	Acute and prophylaxis
Ubrelvy (Ubrogepant)	Blocks CGRP receptor	Acute
Qulipta (Atogepant)	Blocks CGRP receptor	Prophylaxis
Zavzpret (Zavegepant)	Blocks CGRP receptor	Acute

CGRM antagonist MABs

Brand Name (Active Ingredient)	Mechanism of Action	Type of Migraine Treatment
Aimovig (Erenumab)	Blocks CGRP receptor	Prophylaxis
Ajovy (Fremenezumab)	Binds CGRP ligand	Prophylaxis
Emgality (Galcanezumab)	Binds CGRP ligand	Prophylaxis
Vyepti (Eptinezumab)	Binds CGRP ligand	Prophylaxis

Questions?

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