



AETNA BETTER HEALTH®  
Coverage Policy/Guideline

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### Intent:

The intent of this policy/guideline is to provide information to the prescribing practitioner outlining the coverage criteria for Ingrezza under the patient's prescription drug benefit.

### Description:

#### FDA-Approved Indications

Treatment of adults with:

- A. Tardive dyskinesia
- B. Chorea associated with Huntington's disease

All other indications are considered experimental/investigational and not medically necessary.

### Applicable Drug List:

Ingrezza

### Policy/Guideline:

#### Documentation:

Submission of the following information is necessary for both initial approval and continuation of therapy prior authorization reviews (where applicable): Documentation of score of items 1 to 7 of the Abnormal Involuntary Movement Scale (AIMS).

#### Criteria for Initial Approval:

##### A. Tardive dyskinesia

Authorization of 6 months may be granted for treatment of tardive dyskinesia when the baseline AIMS score for items 1 to 7 is obtained;

##### AND

Patient must also be unable to take Austedo and tetrabenazine for the given diagnosis, due to a trial and inadequate treatment response, or intolerance, or a contraindication

##### B. Chorea associated with Huntington's disease

Authorization of 6 months may be granted for treatment of chorea associated with Huntington's disease when both of the following criteria are met:

1. Member demonstrates characteristic motor examination features
2. Member meets one of the following conditions:
  - i. Laboratory results indicate an expanded *HTT* CAG repeat sequence of at least 36
  - ii. Member has a positive family history for Huntington's disease



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## AND

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### Criteria for Continuation of Therapy:

#### A. Tardive dyskinesia

Authorization of 12 months may be granted for treatment of tardive dyskinesia when the member's tardive dyskinesia symptoms have improved as indicated by a decreased AIMS score (items 1 to 7) from baseline.

#### B. Chorea associated with Huntington's disease

Authorization of 12 months may be granted for treatment of chorea associated with Huntington's disease when the disease has improved or stabilized.

### Approval Duration and Quantity Restrictions:

#### Approval:

- Initial approval: 6 months
- Renewal: 12 months

#### Quantity Level Limit:

- Ingrezza 40 mg capsule: 30 per 30 days
- Ingrezza 60 mg capsule: 30 per 30 days
- Ingrezza 80 mg capsule: 30 per 30 days
- Ingrezza 4-week Initiation Pack (7- 40 mg capsules, 21- 80 mg capsules): 1 pack (28 capsules) per 28 days
- Ingrezza 4-week Initiation Pack (14 x 40 mg capsules, 14 x 60 mg capsules): 1 pack (28 capsules) per 28 days

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