# PRIOR AUTHORIZATION CRITERIA

BRAND NAME (generic)

NOXAFIL (all dosage forms) (posaconazole)

Status: CVS Caremark® Criteria Type: Initial Prior Authorization

## **POLICY**

#### **FDA-APPROVED INDICATIONS**

Treatment of Invasive Aspergillosis

**Noxafil injection** and **Noxafil delayed-release tablets** are indicated for the treatment of invasive aspergillosis in adults and pediatric patients 13 years of age and older.

## Prophylaxis of Invasive Aspergillus and Candida Infections

Noxafil is indicated for the prophylaxis of invasive *Aspergillus* and *Candida* infections in patients who are at high risk of developing these infections due to being severely immunocompromised, such as hematopoietic stem cell transplant (HSCT) recipients with graft-versus-host disease (GVHD) or those with hematologic malignancies with prolonged neutropenia from chemotherapy as follows:

- Noxafil Injection: adults and pediatric patients 2 years of age and older
- Noxafil delayed-release tablets: adults and pediatric patients 2 years of age and older who weigh greater than 40 kg
- Noxafil oral suspension: adults and pediatric patients 13 years of age and older
- Noxafil PowderMix for delayed-release oral suspension: pediatric patients 2 years of age and older who
  weigh 40 kg or less

<u>Treatment of Oropharyngeal Candidiasis Including Oropharyngeal Candidiasis Refractory to Itraconazole and/or Fluconazole</u>

**Noxafil oral suspension** is indicated for the treatment of oropharyngeal candidiasis, including oropharyngeal candidiasis refractory to itraconazole and/or fluconazole in adults and pediatric patients 13 years of age and older.

#### **COVERAGE CRITERIA**

#### **Oropharyngeal Candidiasis**

Authorization may be granted when the requested drug is being prescribed for the treatment of moderate to severe oropharyngeal candidiasis when ALL of the following criteria are met:

- The request is for Noxafil oral suspension (immediate-release)
- The patient has experienced an inadequate treatment response, intolerance or has a contraindication to fluconazole AND itraconazole oral solution

# **Prevention of Invasive Aspergillus and Candida Infections**

Authorization may be granted when the requested drug is being prescribed for the prevention of invasive aspergillus and candida infections in a patient who is at high risk of developing these infections due to being severely immunocompromised

## Treatment of Invasive Aspergillus

Authorization may be granted when the requested drug is being prescribed for the treatment of invasive aspergillosis when the following criteria is met:

The request is for Noxafil injection or Noxafil delayed-release tablets

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# **DURATION OF APPROVAL (DOA)**

- 3094-A: DOA:
  - o Prevention of invasive Aspergillus and Candida infections: 6 months
  - Treatment of invasive aspergillosis: 3 months
  - o Treatment of moderate to severe oropharyngeal candidiasis: 1 month

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