

Criteria for Coverage of Amphetamine Agents and Modafinil (Provigil)

Prescriptions for amphetamine agents require prior authorization for adult patients over 18 years of age.

Criteria for coverage of amphetamine agents for adults are as follows:

- Diagnosis of adult attention deficit disorder, learning disorders, and/or narcolepsy.
- Diagnosis of obesity will not be covered
- Weight loss drugs are not covered.
- Diagnosis of depression will only be covered after a documentation of multiple failures with anti-depressants.

Prior authorization is required for all prescriptions for modafinil (Provigil) and will only be given for FDA approved indications and meeting the following criteria:

- Patients > 16 years of age
- Diagnosis of narcolepsy
- Shift work disorder in patients working at least 5 or more overnight shifts per month and having a score of at least 10 on the EPWORTH Sleepiness Scale.
- Diagnosis of excessive sleepiness associated with obstructive sleep apnea or hypopnea syndrome, if
 - Patient has had a sleep study and diagnosis is confirmed by a sleep specialist physician; and
 - Patient is compliant with Continuous Positive Airway Pressure (CPAP) or Bi-level Positive Airway Pressure (BIPAP) machine and meets the criteria for Medicaid coverage of CPAP and/or BIPAP machines; and
 - Other medications used by the patient have been reviewed by the prescribing physician. Sedating medications should be discontinued if possible.