# **QUANTITY LIMIT CRITERIA**

DRUG CLASS CORTICOSTEROID ORAL INHALATION

BRAND NAME (generic)

ALVESCO (ciclesonide)

ARMONAIR DIGIHALER (fluticasone propionate)

ARNUITY ELLIPTA (fluticasone furoate)

ASMANEX HFA (mometasone furoate)

ASMANEX TWISTHALER (mometasone furoate)

FLOVENT DISKUS (fluticasone propionate)

FLOVENT HFA (fluticasone propionate)

PULMICORT FLEXHALER (budesonide)

PULMICORT RESPULES (budesonide)

QVAR REDIHALER (beclomethasone)

Status: CVS Caremark Criteria

Type: Quantity Limit

# **POLICY**

## **FDA-APPROVED INDICATIONS**

## Alvesco

Alvesco is indicated for the maintenance treatment of asthma as prophylactic therapy in adult and adolescent patients 12 years of age and older.

Alvesco is NOT indicated for children under 12 years of age.

ArmonAir Digihaler

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ArmonAir Digihaler is indicated for the maintenance treatment of asthma as prophylactic therapy in patients 12 years of age and older.

## **Arnuity Ellipta**

Arnuity Ellipta is indicated for the once-daily maintenance treatment of asthma as prophylactic therapy in patients aged 5 years and older.

## **Asmanex HFA**

Asmanex HFA is indicated for the maintenance treatment of asthma as prophylactic therapy in patients 5 years of age and older.

### **Asmanex Twisthaler**

Asmanex Twisthaler is indicated for the maintenance treatment of asthma as prophylactic therapy in patients 4 years of age and older.

Asmanex Twisthaler is NOT indicated in children less than 4 years of age.

#### **Flovent Diskus**

Flovent Diskus is indicated for the maintenance treatment of asthma as prophylactic therapy in patients aged 4 years and older.

#### Flovent HFA

Flovent HFA is indicated for the maintenance treatment of asthma as prophylactic therapy in patients aged 4 years and older.

## **Pulmicort Flexhaler**

Pulmicort Flexhaler is indicated for the maintenance treatment of asthma as prophylactic therapy in patients six years of age or older.

## **Pulmicort Respules**

Pulmicort Respules is indicated for the maintenance treatment of asthma and as prophylactic therapy in children 12 months to 8 years of age.

#### **QVAR Redihaler**

QVAR Redihaler is indicated in the maintenance treatment of asthma as prophylactic therapy in patients 4 years of age and older.

## **Important Limitations of Use**

Oral inhaled corticosteroids are NOT indicated for the relief of acute bronchospasm.

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# **LIMIT CRITERIA**

# Limits do not accumulate together; patient is allowed the maximum limit for each drug and strength

PLEASE NOTE: Since manufacturer package sizes may vary, it is the discretion of the dispensing pharmacy to fill quantities per package size up to these quantity limits. In such cases the filling limit and day supply may be less than what is indicated.

Medication**	Starting Dose	Maximum** Daily Dose	Package Size	1 Month Limit* 3 Months Limit*
Alvesco 80mcg** (ciclesonide)	1-3 inhalations twice daily	6 inhalations**	60 inhalations per 6.1gm canister	3 packages (6.1gm each) / 25 days 9 packages (6.1gm each) / 75 days

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Alvegee	1-2 inhalations	4 inhalations	60 inhalations	Omeglyones (C. 1 am each) / OF days
Alvesco	twice daily	(640mcg)	per 6.1gm canister	2 packages (6.1gm each) / 25 days
160mcg	twice daily	(040meg)	per o. rgin canister	6 packages (6.1gm each) / 75 days
(ciclesonide)	1 inhalation	2 inhalations**	60 inhalations	A nachana / OF davis
ArmonAir Digihaler	twice daily	2 innaiations	per inhaler	1 package / 25 days
55mcg**	twice daily		per irinaler	3 packages / 75 days
(fluticasone propionate)	4 ' 1 1 2'	0:11: **	00:11:	
ArmonAir Digihaler	1 inhalation	2 inhalations**	60 inhalations	1 package / 25 days
113mcg**	twice daily		per inhaler	3 packages / 75 days
(fluticasone propionate)				
ArmonAir Digihaler	1 inhalation	2 inhalations	60 inhalations	1 package / 25 days
232mcg	twice daily	(464mcg)	per inhaler	3 packages / 75 days
(fluticasone propionate)				
Arnuity Ellipta	1 inhalation	1 inhalation	30 blisters	1 package (30 blisters) / 25 days
50	once daily		per inhaler	3 packages (30 blisters each) / 75 days
(fluticasone furoate)				
Arnuity Ellipta	1 inhalation	1 inhalation**	30 blisters	1 package (30 blisters) / 25 days
100**	once daily		per inhaler	3 packages (30 blisters each) / 75 days
(fluticasone furoate)				
Arnuity Ellipta	1 inhalation	1 inhalation	30 blisters	1 package (30 blisters) / 25 days
200	once daily	(200mcg)	per inhaler	3 packages (30 blisters each) / 75 days
(fluticasone furoate)				, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Asmanex HFA	2 inhalations	4 inhalations	120 inhalations	1 package (13gm each) / 25 days
50mcg	twice daily		per 13gm canister	3 packages (13gm each) / 75 days
(mometasone furoate)				
Asmanex HFA	2 inhalations	4 inhalations**	120 inhalations	1 package (13gm each) / 25 days
100mcg**	twice daily		per 13gm canister	3 packages (13gm each) / 75 days
(mometasone furoate)				
Asmanex HFA	2 inhalations	4 inhalations	120 inhalations	1 package (13gm each) / 25 days
200mcg	twice daily	(800mcg)	per 13gm canister	3 packages (13gm each) / 75 days
(mometasone furoate)				a parameter (regin county, re any)
Asmanex Twisthaler	1 inhalation	2 inhalations**	30 inhalation units	2 packages / 25 days
110mcg**	once daily		per package	6 packages / 75 days
(mometasone furoate)				o paonageo, re daye
Asmanex Twisthaler	1-2 inhalations	4 inhalations	30 inhalation units	4 packages / 25 days
220mcg	once-twice	(880mcg)	per package	12 packages / 75 days
(mometasone furoate)	daily		60 inhalation units	2 packages / 25 days
()			per package	6 packages / 75 days
			120 inhalation units	1 package / 25 days
			per package	3 packages / 75 days
Flovent Diskus	1-3 inhalations	6 inhalations**	60 blisters	3 packages (60 blisters each) / 25 days
50mcg**	twice daily	C IIII GIGUOIS	per device	9 packages (60 blisters each) / 75 days
(fluticasone propionate)				o packages (or biloters each) / 13 days
Flovent Diskus	1-4 inhalations	8 inhalations**	60 blisters	4 packages (60 blisters each) / 25 days
100mcg**	twice daily	Cililadadons	per device	12 packages (60 blisters each) / 25 days
(fluticasone propionate)			- 5. 557,00	12 packages (ou blisters each) / 75 days
Flovent Diskus	1-4 inhalations	8 inhalations	60 blisters	4 packages (60 blisters each) / 25 days
250mcg	twice daily	(2000mcg)	per device	4 packages (60 blisters each) / 25 days
o o	loo dany	(=00011109)	po. 407100	12 packages (60 blisters each) / 75 days
(fluticasone propionate)	2.4 inholetiers	0 inhalations**	120 inhalations	2 pookogoo (40 Com coch) / 25 dess
Flovent HFA	2-4 inhalations twice daily	8 inhalations**	per 10.6gm canister	2 packages (10.6gm each) / 25 days
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(fluticasone propionate)	4.0 inhalatian	Ginhalatic **	400 inhalatia	0 modes and (40 mm ) / 05   1
Flovent HFA	1-3 inhalations	6 inhalations**	120 inhalations	2 packages (12gm each) / 25 days
110mcg**	twice daily		per 12gm canister	6 packages (12gm each) / 75 days
(fluticasone propionate)				

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Flovent HFA 220mcg (fluticasone propionate)	1-4 inhalations twice daily	8 inhalations (1760mcg)	120 inhalations per 12gm canister	2 packages (12gm each) / 25 days 6 packages (12gm each) / 75 days
Pulmicort Flexhaler 90mcg** (budesonide)	2-3 inhalations twice daily	6 inhalations**	60 inhalations per device	3 packages / 25 days 9 packages / 75 days
Pulmicort Flexhaler 180mcg (budesonide)	1-4 inhalations twice daily	8 inhalations (1440mcg)	120 inhalations per device	2 packages / 25 days 6 packages / 75 days
Pulmicort Respules 0.25mg** (budesonide)	nebulization of 1-2 respules (2-4mL) daily	3 respules**	30 respules (2mL each) per carton	3 packages (90 respules x 2mL) / 25 days 9 packages (270 respules x 2mL) / 75 days
Pulmicort Respules 0.5mg (budesonide)	nebulization of 1-2 respules (2-4mL) daily	2 respules (1mg)	30 respules (2mL each) per carton	2 packages (60 respules x 2mL) / 25 days 6 packages (180 respules x 2mL) / 75 days
Pulmicort Respules 1mg (budesonide)	nebulization of 1 respule (2mL) daily	1 respule (1mg)	30 respules (2mL each) per carton	1 package (30 respules x 2mL) / 25 days 3 packages (90 respules x 2mL) / 75 days
QVAR Redihaler 40mcg** (beclomethasone)	1-3 inhalations twice daily	6 inhalations**	120 inhalations per 10.6gm canister	2 packages (10.6gm each) / 25 days 6 packages (10.6gm each) / 75 days
QVAR Redihaler 80mcg (beclomethasone)	1-4 inhalations twice daily	8 inhalations (640mcg)	120 inhalations per 10.6gm canister	2 packages (10.6gm each) / 25 days 6 packages (10.6gm each) / 75 days

<sup>\*</sup>The duration of 25 days is used for a 30-day fill period and 75 days is used for a 90-day fill period to allow time for refill processing.

\*\*Utilize higher strength available.