

UnitedHealthcare Pharmacy Clinical Pharmacy Programs

Program Number	2022 P 3083-7
Program	Step Therapy – Essential PDL Only
Medication	Azilect (rasagiline)
P&T Approval Date	10/2016, 10/2017, 10/2018, 10/2019, 11/2020, 2/2022
Effective Date	5/1/2022;
	Oxford: N/A

1. Background:

Step Therapy programs are utilized to encourage the use of lower cost alternatives for certain therapeutic classes. This program requires a member to try the lower cost generic alternative before coverage will be provided for brand Azilect.

2. Coverage Criteria^a:

- A. **Azilect** will be approved based on the following criterion:
 - 1. History of failure, contraindication, or intolerance to the following (list reason for therapeutic failure, contraindication, or intolerance):
 - a. selegiline (generic Eldepryl)

Authorization will be issued for 12 months

^a State mandates may apply. Any federal regulatory requirements and the member specific benefit plan coverage may also impact coverage criteria. Other policies and utilization management programs may apply

3. Additional Clinical Rules:

- Notwithstanding Coverage Criteria, UnitedHealthcare may approve initial and reauthorization based solely on previous claim/medication history, diagnosis codes (ICD-10) and/or claim logic. Use of automated approval and re-approval processes varies by program and/or therapeutic class.
- Supply limits may be in place

4. References:

1. Azilect [package insert]. Overland Park, KS: Teva Neuroscience; June 2020



Program	Step Therapy – Azilect	
Change Control		
Date	Change	
10/2016	New program.	
1/2017	Administrative change. Clarified applies to Essential PDL only.	
10/2017	Annual review. State mandate reference language updated.	
10/2018	Annual review. Updated references.	
10/2019	Annual review. Administrative changes.	
11/2020	Annual review. Updated references.	
2/2022	No changes.	