

Criteria-Based Consultation Prescribing Program

CRITERIA FOR DRUG COVERAGE

albuterol sulfate (ProAir Digihaler)

Initiation (new start) criteria and criteria for *current Kaiser Permanente members already taking the medication who have not been reviewed previously*: Non-formulary **albuterol sulfate (ProAir Digihaler)** will be covered on the prescription drug benefit when the following criteria are met:

- Patient has a documented treatment failure or intolerance to albuterol sulfate (Proventil HFA).
- Patient inhaler technique has been evaluated by a respiratory therapist, nurse, or other qualified healthcare professional and has been determined to be correct when using albuterol sulfate (Proventil HFA).
- Prescriber has documented a need for monitoring the patient's use of therapy.

Criteria for *new members entering Kaiser Permanente already taking the medication who have not been reviewed previously*: Non-formulary **albuterol sulfate (ProAir Digihaler)** will be covered on the prescription drug benefit when the following criteria are met:

- Patient has a documented treatment failure or intolerance to albuterol sulfate (Proventil HFA).
- Patient states a need to share their therapy use data with their healthcare provider.