

# pyrimethamine (DARAPRIM)

# Diagnoses Considered for Coverage:

- Toxoplasmosis treatment
- Toxoplasmosis prevention
- Pneumocystis jiroveci pneumonia (PJP) (*previously known as pneumocystitis carinii pneumonia, PCP*) prevention
- Isosopra belli treatment & secondary prevention

# **Coverage Criteria:**

## For diagnosis of treatment of toxoplasmosis:

- Prescribed by or in consultation with an infectious disease specialist, ophthalmologist, or gynecologist, and
- Dose does not exceed 200 mg loading dose followed by 75 mg per day.

Coverage Duration: 8 weeks

### For prevention of toxoplasmosis:

- Prescribed by or in consultation with an infectious disease specialist, ophthalmologist, or gynecologist, **and**
- One of the following:
  - Patient is HIV+ AND dose does not exceed 50 mg per day or
  - Patient is immunocompromised (i.e. cancer, HIV+, posttransplantation) AND inadequate response, intolerable side effect, or contraindication to trimethoprim/sulfamethoxazole (Bactrim, Septra) AND dose does not exceed 25 mg per day or 75 mg once weekly.

Coverage Duration: one year

# For diagnosis of prevention of PJP (previously known as PCP):

- Prescribed by or in consultation with an infectious disease specialist (or HIV specialist), and
- Inadequate response, intolerable side effect, or contraindication to trimethoprim/sulfamethoxazole (Bactrim, Septra), **and**
- Patient is immunocompromised (i.e. cancer, HIV+, post-transplantation),
  and
- Dose does not exceed 25 mg per day.

Coverage Duration: one year

# For diagnosis of treatment or secondary prevention following reoccurrence of Cystoisospora belli (previously known as Isospora belli):

- Prescribed by or in consultation with an infectious disease specialist, and
- Inadequate response, intolerable side effect, or contraindication to trimethoprim/sulfamethoxazole (Bactrim, Septra), **and**
- For treatment of Cystoisospora belli. Dose does not exceed 75 mg per day or
- For secondary prevention of Cystoisospora belli: Patient is immunocompromised (i.e. cancer, HIV+, post-transplantation), AND dose does not exceed 25 mg per day for indefinite use.

# Coverage Duration:

treatment: 14 days prevention: one year

Coverage Duration: see specific coverage criteria

#### References:

1. Prescribing Information. Daraprim. Turing Pharmaceuticals. 2017

2. AHFS-DI: Accessed March 2022

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