



Preferred Drug List

NEW DRUG REVIEW

Proprietary Name: Prezista™

Common Name: Darunavir

PDL Category: Antiretrovirals

<u>Comparable Products</u>	<u>Preferred Drug List/ Recommended Drug List Status</u>
Epzicom®	Recommended
Truvada®	Recommended

Summary

Indications and Usage: Treatment of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV)

Dosage Forms: Tablets, 300mg

Recommended Dosage: 600mg by mouth twice daily taken with ritonavir 100mg

Common Adverse Drug Reactions: Skin rash, fever, elevated transaminase, diarrhea, abdominal pain

Contraindications: Hypersensitivity to any component of darunavir

Manufacturer: Tibotec Pharmaceuticals Ltd.

Analysis: Prezista™ received accelerated approval from the FDA for the treatment of HIV as it showed to have a therapeutic advantage over other comparable products on the market in early studies. Patients who were HIV positive combined Prezista™ with ritonavir were more likely to "achieve a virologic response, achieve undetectable viral load, and have an increase in CD4+ cell counts from baseline" compared to patients taking other antiretrovirals, (Darunavir, drugs.com/prezista.html). Due to the positive patient outcomes in early trials, this medication is a cost effective choice for management of HIV.

IME Recommendation:

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<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Preferred Drug	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Recommended Drug
<input type="checkbox"/> Preferred Drug with Conditions	