

QUANTITY LIMIT CRITERIA

BRAND NAME

(generic)

ALBENZA
(albendazole)

BILTRICIDE
(praziquantel)

EGATEN
(triclabendazole)

EMVERM
(mebendazole)

Status: CVS Caremark Criteria

Type: Quantity Limit

POLICY

FDA-APPROVED INDICATIONS

Albenza

Neurocysticercosis

Albenza is indicated for the treatment of parenchymal neurocysticercosis due to active lesions caused by larval forms of the pork tapeworm, *Taenia solium*.

Hydatid Disease

Albenza is indicated for the treatment of cystic hydatid disease of the liver, lung, and peritoneum, caused by the larval form of the dog tapeworm, *Echinococcus granulosus*.

Biltricide

Biltricide is indicated in patients aged 1 year and older for the treatment of the following infections:

Schistosomiasis due to all species of schistosoma (for example, *Schistosoma mekongi*, *Schistosoma japonicum*, *Schistosoma mansoni* and *Schistosoma hematobium*), and Clonorchiasis and Opisthorchiasis due to the liver flukes, *Clonorchis sinensis*/*Opisthorchis viverrini* (approval of this indication was based on studies in which the two species were not differentiated)

Compendial Uses

Treatment of intestinal infections caused by *Taenia solium*, *Taenia saginata*, *Diphyllobothrium latum* and *Hymenolepis nana*.^{5,6}

Egaten

Egaten is indicated for the treatment of fascioliasis in patients 6 years of age or older

Emverm

Emverm is indicated for the treatment of patients two years of age and older with gastrointestinal infections caused by *Ancylostoma duodenale* (hookworm), *Ascaris lumbricoides* (roundworm), *Enterobius vermicularis* (pinworm), *Necator americanus* (hookworm), and *Trichuris trichiura* (whipworm).

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LIMIT CRITERIA

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

Drug	Quantities to approve*
Albenza (albendazole)	336 tablets per 365 days
Biltricide (praziquantel)	24 tablets per 365 days
Egaten (triclabendazole)	16 tablets per 365 days
Emverm (mebendazole)	12 tablets per 365 days

* This drug is indicated for short-term acute use; therefore, the mail limit will be the same as the retail limit.