



Fee-for Service PA Criteria

Drug Ponstel : (mefenamic acid) [Sciele Pharma I]
Therapeutic Area NSAID (non steroidal anti-inflammatory drug)

FDA approved indication:

Ponstel is indicated:

- For relief of mild to moderate pain in patients ≥ 14 years of age, when therapy will not exceed one week (7 days).
- For treatment of primary dysmenorrhea.

Criteria:

Patient is ≥ 14 years of age

And

Has mild to moderate pain or primary dysmenorrhea.

And

Has tried 3 other NSAIDS without adequate therapeutic benefit or developed an intolerable adverse event.

Therapy limited to 25 capsules. Ponstel is FDA approved only for short term use.

Rationale

Ponstel, an NSAID, is priced at \$10.89 per capsule (AWP). Ponstel may be administered up to 4 times daily.