



**Commercial PA Criteria**  
**Effective: December 18, 2023**

**Prior Authorization:** Zurzuvae (zuranolone)

**Products Affected:** Zurzuvae (zuranolone) oral capsules

**Medication Description:** The mechanism of action of zuranolone in the treatment of postpartum depression (PPD) is not fully understood, but is thought to be related to its positive allosteric modulation of GABA-A receptors

**Covered Uses:**

1. Treatment of postpartum depression (PPD)

**Exclusion Criteria:** None

**Required Medical Information:**

1. Diagnosis

**Prescriber Restriction:** Medication is prescribed by or in consultation with a psychiatrist or an obstetrician-gynecologist

**Age Restriction:** 18 years and older

**Coverage Duration:** 14 days

**Other Criteria:**

**Initial Approval Criteria**

**1. Postpartum Depression.**

- A. Patient meets **BOTH** of the following (i and ii):
  - i. Patient has been diagnosed with severe depression; **AND**
  - ii. Symptom onset began during the third trimester of pregnancy or up to 4 weeks post-delivery; **AND**
- B. Patient is  $\leq$  12 months postpartum; **AND**
- C. Patient is not currently pregnant

**References:**

1. Product Information: ZURZUVAE™ oral capsules, zuranolone oral capsules. Biogen Inc (per FDA), Cambridge, MA, 2023

**Policy Revision history**

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<b>Rev #</b>	<b>Type of Change</b>	<b>Summary of Change</b>	<b>Sections Affected</b>	<b>Date</b>
1	New Policy	New Policy	All	12/18/2023