

## Drugs That Require Step Therapy

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## COLCHICINE-PST

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### Products Affected

#### Step 1:

- Mitigare 0.6 mg capsule

#### Step 2:

- Colcrys 0.6 mg tablet

### Details

<b>Criteria</b>	If the patient has tried one Step 1 product, authorization for a Step 2 product may be given. Exceptions can be made for a step 2 drug (without a trial of a step 1 drug) for the treatment of Familial Mediterranean Fever and for the treatment of gout flares (i.e, prophylaxis of gout flares requires a trial of a step 1 drug).
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## ULORIC

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#### Step 1:

- allopurinol 100 mg tablet
- allopurinol 300 mg tablet

#### Step 2:

- Uloric 40 mg tablet
- Uloric 80 mg tablet

### Details

Criteria	
	If the patient has tried a Step 1 drug then authorization for a Step 2 drug may be given. Authorization may be given for Uloric if the patient has renal insufficiency or decreased renal function. Authorization may be given for Uloric if the patient is receiving concomitant medications that have significant drug-drug interactions with allopurinol, which are not noted with Uloric (eg, cyclosporine, chlorpropamide).

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