Butalbital-Containing Products

APPROVAL AMOUNT: UP TO A MAXIMUM OF ANOTHER 120 TABLETS/CAPSULES OR 180 ml (for the liquid)

REVIEW CRITERIA:

- **Tensions (Muscle Contraction) Headaches**: (for requests exceeding the quantity limit)
  - Must have a chronic history of attacks (per progress notes).
  - Must be prescribed or recommended upon consultation with a specialist (eg. neurologist) as per progress notes submitted.
  - Must have had trial and failure of at least three of the four therapies in the past 365 days:
    - NSAIDs (eg. ibuprofen, naproxen)
    - Tricyclics (eg. amitriptyline)
    - Muscle relaxants (eg. tizanidine)
    - Non-drug Therapies (relaxation training, cognitive behavior therapy, EMG biofeedback)

- **Migraine Headaches**: (for requests exceeding the quantity limit)
  - Must have a chronic history of attacks (per progress notes).
  - Must have current (within past 30 days) treatment failure of prophylaxis therapy (eg. metoprolol, topiramate, amitriptyline).
  - Must be prescribed or recommended upon consultation with a specialist (eg. neurologist) as per progress notes submitted.
  - Must have had trial and failure of at least one medication from each of the classes of therapy below in the past 365 days:
    - NSAIDs (eg. ibuprofen, naproxen)
    - Triptans [eg. Axert (almotriptan), Maxalt (rizatriptan), Imitrex (sumatriptan), Relpax (eletriptan), Treximet (sumatriptan/naproxen), Amerge (naratriptan), Frova (frovatriptan, Zomig (zolmitriptan)]
### DOSING & ADMINISTRATION:

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<td>Butalbital/ASA/Caffeine</td>
<td>Adults: 50-100 mg butalbital PO q4h prn; Max: 300 mg/day butalbital; 1 g/4h and 4 g/day acetaminophen; 360 mg/day codeine</td>
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<td>Alagesic LQ (50mg butalbital/325mg APAP/40mg caffeine) per 15ml</td>
<td>Ages &gt;12 years: One or two tablespoonfuls (15 mL or 30 mL) every four hours. Total daily dosage should not exceed 6 tablespoonfuls.</td>
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