

Market Applicability														
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Applicable	X	X	NA	NA	X	NA	X	X	X	X	X	NA	NA	NA

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Omega-3 Fatty Acid Step Therapy

Override(s)	Approval Duration
Prior Authorization Quantity Limit	1 year

Medications	Quantity Limit
Lovaza (omega-3-acid ethyl esters) Omega-3-acid ethyl esters - generic Lovaza Triкло (omega-3-acid ethyl esters) – generic Lovaza Vascepa (icosapent ethyl)	May be subject to quantity limit

APPROVAL CRITERIA

Requests for omega-3 fatty acid [brand Lovaza (omega-3-acid ethyl esters), omega-3 acid ethyl esters (generic Lovaza), Triкло (omega-3-acid ethyl esters) and Vascepa (icosapent ethyl)] may be approved if the following criteria are met:

- I. Individual has had a trial of one generic fenofibrate (AAFC 2017); **AND**
- II. Individual did not achieve a decrease in triglyceride levels deemed significant by the provider;

OR

- III. Individual is unable to take fenofibrate as a result of one of the following:
 1. Concurrent therapy with a high-dose statin [Lipitor (atorvastatin) 40mg or 80 mg, Crestor (rosuvastatin) 20 mg or 40 mg] (ACC/AHA 2013); **OR**
 2. Severe renal dysfunction (CrCl less than 30 mL/min), including individuals receiving dialysis; **OR**
 3. Active liver disease; **OR**
 4. Gallbladder disease; **OR**
 5. Known hypersensitivity to fenofibrate; **OR**
 6. Nursing mothers.

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State Specific Mandates		
State name	Date effective	Mandate details (including specific bill if applicable)
N/A	N/A	N/A

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