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**Omnaris™ - Nasal relief for allergy sufferers**

Allergy season is once again upon us and with it, comes the sneezing and itchy, runny nose! Omnaris™ (ciclesonide) is a corticosteroidal nasal spray for the treatment of allergic rhinitis ("AR"). AR is a chronic inflammatory disease characterized with symptoms such as watery nasal discharge (rhinorrhea), sneezing, nasal obstruction and itchiness of the nose and eyes\(^1\). It is often incorrectly referred to as hay fever, even though AR may be caused by allergens other than pollen.

AR is a global problem and reports indicate that it is found in up to 40% of the population\(^2\). In a recent survey of 1,001 adult patients (Allergies in Canada), seventy-five of the respondents indicated that the allergy season had some effect on their quality of life\(^3\). Indeed, AR has been shown to be a risk factor for asthma, sinusitis, otitis media, upper respiratory infection and nasal polyps\(^4\). Thus, the costs associated with AR are not just limited to allergy season.

Current treatments for AR include antihistamines, decongestants, leukotriene modifiers (e.g. Singulair™) and corticosteroid nasal sprays ("CNSs"). CNSs are considered the most effective treatment for the management of AR symptoms. In terms of efficacy and tolerability, all the CNSs, including Omnaris™, have been shown to be similar, with the choice of one over the other based solely on physician and/or patient preference.

The annual cost of treatment with Omnaris™ is approximately $288. Since this is in line with the other CNSs (cost ranging from $123 - $290 annually), Omnaris™ will be fully covered under ALL ClaimSecure drug plans, including ClaimSecure Managed Formularies.

*If you require additional information about Omnaris™, please contact Shellina Sevany, Manager, Clinical Services Department, at (905) 949-3025 or 1-888-479-7587 ext.3025.*

**Recommendation: Full Coverage**

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References:


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