



UnitedHealthcare Pharmacy  
Clinical Pharmacy Programs

Program Number	2026 P 2360-2
Program	Prior Authorization/Medical Necessity
Medication	Cobenfy™ (xanomeline and trospium chloride)
P&T Approval Date	1/2025, 3/2026
Effective Date	6/1/2026

**1. Background:**

Cobenfy is FDA approved for the treatment of schizophrenia. This program requires a member to try three atypical antipsychotics before providing coverage for Cobenfy.

**2. Coverage Criteria<sup>a</sup>:**

**A. Initial Authorization**

1. Cobenfy will be approved based on **ONE** of the following criteria:

a. **BOTH** of the following:

1) Diagnosis of schizophrenia

**-AND-**

2) History of failure, contraindication, or intolerance to **three** of the following (please document drug, date and duration of trial):

- (a) aripiprazole (generic Abilify)
- (b) olanzapine (generic Zyprexa)
- (c) quetiapine IR or ER (generic Seroquel or Seroquel XR)
- (d) risperidone (generic Risperdal)
- (e) ziprasidone (generic Geodon)

**-OR-**

b. Treatment with Cobenfy was initiated at a recent behavioral inpatient admission (discharge within the past 3 months) and the member is currently stable on therapy. (Please document date of discharge from inpatient admission).

**-OR-**

c. Member is new to the plan and currently stabilized on Cobenfy (as evidenced by coverage effective date of less than or equal to 120 days)

**Authorization will be issued for 12 months.**

**B. Reauthorization**

1. **Cobefny** will be approved for continuation of therapy based on the following criterion:

- a. Documentation of a positive clinical response to therapy

**Authorization will be issued for 12 months.**

<sup>a</sup> State mandates may apply. Any federal regulatory requirements and the member specific benefit plan coverage may also impact coverage criteria. Other policies and utilization management programs may apply.

**3. Additional Clinical Programs:**

- Notwithstanding Coverage Criteria, UnitedHealthcare may approve initial and re-authorization based solely on previous claim/medication history, diagnosis codes (ICD-10) and/or claim logic. Use of automated approval and re-approval processes varies by program and/or therapeutic class.
- Supply limits and Prior Authorization/Notification may also be in place.

**4. References:**

1. Cobefny [package insert]. Princeton, NJ: E.R. Squibb & Sons, LLC. January 2026.
2. American Psychiatric Association. Practice Guideline for the Treatment of Patients with Schizophrenia Third Edition. Available at:  
<https://psychiatryonline.org/doi/10.1176/appi.books.9780890424841>

Program	Prior Authorization/Medical Necessity - Cobefny
<b>Change Control</b>	
1/2025	New program.
3/2026	Annual review with no changes.