Prior Authorization Criteria
for Cox II Inhibitors

Please list medication: ____

Cox II Inhibitors reduce the rate of clinically important NSAID ulcers by 60%. It does not completely eliminate them. Its pain relief is equivalent to the older NSAIDs.
****Medications will be reviewed based on FDA approved indications****

Patient Name: ____ DOB: ___________________________

Doctor: ____ Diagnosis: ___________________________

Please circle response:

1. Is the patient 18 years old or older? If yes, continue to **2**. If no, send to WHP.

2. Does the patient have the diagnosis of **Osteoarthritis**? If yes, go to **A**. If no, go to **3**.
   - **A.** Is the use of acetaminophen contraindicated (e.g., intolerant or on Coumadin)? If yes, go to **3C**. If no, go to **B**.
   - **B.** Has the patient had a two-week trial of 3-4 grams daily of acetaminophen and failed to respond adequately? If yes, continue to **3C**. If no, send to WHP.

3. Does the patient have the diagnosis **Rheumatoid arthritis, Dysmenorrhea or Acute Pain**? If yes go to **C**. If no, send to WHP.
   - **C.** Does the patient have a history of an NSAID-associated GI adverse event (e.g., nausea, vomiting, diarrhea/constipation, abdominal pain, or dyspepsia) after a minimum of 2 weeks of NSAID therapy that has occurred with at least two different NSAIDS? If no, go to **D**. If yes, list NSAIDs tried __________________, ___________________ then send to WHP.
   - **D.** Is the patient at risk for NSAID-induced GI adverse events? (Risk factors may include, but are not limited to, the following: age 60 or older; history of peptic ulcer or GI bleed; concomitant use of corticosteroids or anticoagulants; ARA functional class III or IV). Please circle the risk factors of your patient then send to WHP.

☐ Check box if this authorization is for a renewal of therapy, then send to WHP.

Sent in by: ______________________________ Phone: _________________ Fax: __________________

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