

ALASKA MEDICAID

Lovaza (omega-3-acid ethyl esters)

1,000mg capsule

INDICATION:

“LOVAZA is a combination of ethyl esters of omega 3 fatty acids, principally EPA and DHA, indicated as an adjunct to diet to reduce triglyceride (TG) levels in adult patients with severe (≥ 500 mg/dL) hypertriglyceridemia.”¹

CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL:

1. The patient is being treated for severe hypertriglyceridemia (≥ 500 mg/dL). Documentation of severe hypertriglyceridemia, including at least one laboratory test result within the last 24 months, must accompany the prior authorization request.

Recipients compliantly taking Lovaza during the 6 months preceding this prior authorization requirement will be granted authorization (“grandfathered”).

REFERENCES / FOOTNOTES:

¹Lovaza package insert, available at <http://us.gsk.com/products/assets/us_lovaza.pdf>
Accessed 7/6/2011.