

PHARMACY GUIDELINE – 1

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UNIVERSITY PHYSICIANS HEALTH PLANS

(Maricopa Health Plan)

PHARMACY REFERRAL GUIDELINE

DIGESTIVE ENZYMES

Indications:

- Digestive aid in diseases of deficiency of pancreatic enzymes; i.e., cystic fibrosis

Formulary Products:

- Generic equivalents of Pancrease, Viokase, and Creon are on the formulary

Criteria for Use:

- For other requests, such as Ultrase or brand name products, must have documentation that:
 - The patient does have a history of bowel obstruction.
 - Pancrease and/or generic enzymes have been tried and the extent of failure documented.

Common Digestive Enzymes:

- Pancreatin -- Entozyme, Pancreatin, Pancrezyme
- Pancrelipase -- Cotazym, Creon, Pancrease, Ultrase, Viokase, Zymase

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