

Drug Name: Nucynta

Common Use: Treatment of pain

Coverage Requirement: A trial of one or more short acting opioids prior to the use of Nucynta. Examples include the following:

APAP/Hydrocodone
Bupropion/APAP/Caf/Cod
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Codeine Sulfate
Codeine/APAP
Darvocet/N
Hydrocodone/IBU
Hydromorphone
Meperidine
Morphine IR
Oxycodone
Oxycodone/APAP
Oxycodone/ASA
Oxycodone/IBU
Pentazocine/APAP
Propoxyphene HCL
Propoxyphene Napsylate
Vicoprofen

Coverage Rationale: There is no clinical evidence that shows Nucynta is more effective than other short-acting opioids. Preferred agents should be considered first.

*If your doctor would like an exception to step therapy, he or she may request preauthorization by calling SelectHealth Pharmacy Services at **801-442-4912** (Salt Lake area) or **800-442-3129** weekdays, from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., and Saturdays, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.*