## **Riociguat**



**Included Products:** Adempas (riociguat)

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All Diagnoses			
Initial Criteria		If yes	If no
1.	Is Adempas being prescribed by a pulmonologist or cardiologist?	Continue to #2.	Do not approve.
2.	Does the member have WHO group 1 (pulmonary arterial hypertension) or WHO group 4 (chronic thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension) pulmonary hypertension?  a. WHO group 1, continue to #3.  b. WHO group 4, continue to #4.  c. Neither, do not approve.		
3.	Has the member failed or is a poor candidate for a PDE-5 inhibitor (e.g. sildenafil or tadalafil)?	Continue to #4.	Do not approve.
4.	Approve for lifetime.		