

*[P-462R] Development for criteria for use of lansoprazole: investigation of once daily dosing in a Veterans Affairs medical center*

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*Lansoprazole is consistently responsible for the highest pharmacy drug cost on a monthly basis at this Veterans Affairs Medical Center, with an estimated 1.6 million dollars spent annually. The purpose of this study was to evaluate the indications for once daily lansoprazole dosing in this patient population and to develop criteria for use of lansoprazole. A retrospective chart review was conducted on 100 patients from a computer-generated list of once daily lansoprazole prescriptions. Data collected include patient demographics, prescription profile information and concomitant medications, duration of proton pump inhibitor use, indication for agent, and method of diagnosis. Criteria for use of lansoprazole will then be developed based on literature review and collaboration with physicians. Following implementation of the criteria for use, a follow up assessment will be conducted to evaluate appropriate prescribing according to the criteria.*