**Acute medication** refers to drugs or treatments that are prescribed for short-term use to address sudden illnesses or immediate health conditions, typically to treat an acute illness or injury. These conditions are often characterized by a rapid onset and a short duration, such as infections, injuries, or sudden pain. It is generally not intended for long-term or chronic conditions; instead, it’s aimed at quickly relieving symptoms or addressing the underlying issue until the patient recovers. Unlike chronic medications, which may have longer approval timelines and extended coverage, short-acting medication claims require a streamlined and efficient process that allows for a speedy assessment, and thus ensuring that the insured individuals receive timely access to necessary treatments.

