



CLINICAL MEDICATION POLICY	
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DISCLAIMER

Gateway HealthSM (Gateway) clinical medication policy is intended to serve only as a general reference resource regarding payment and coverage for the services described. This policy does not constitute medical advice and is not intended to govern or otherwise influence medical decisions.

POLICY STATEMENT

Gateway HealthSM provides coverage under the medical benefits of the Company's Medicare products for medically necessary Portrazza® (necitumumab) administration.

This policy is designed to address medical necessity guidelines that are appropriate for the majority of individuals with a particular disease, illness or condition. Each person's unique clinical circumstances warrant individual consideration, based upon review of applicable medical records.

(Current applicable Pennsylvania HealthChoices Agreement Section V. Program Requirements, B. Prior Authorization of Services, 1. General Prior Authorization Requirements.)

PROCEDURES

1. Portrazza is an epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR) antagonist indicated, in combination with gemcitabine and cisplatin, for the first-line treatment of members with non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC). The following medical necessity criteria must be met in order for coverage to be provided:
 - A. The member must be diagnosed with metastatic or advanced squamous cell NSCLC; AND
 - B. The member is aged 18 years or older; AND
 - C. The prescriber is a hematologist/oncologist; AND
 - D. The member will receive or has received a cardiac assessment prior to initiation of Portrazza; AND
 - E. The member will have routine monitoring of serum electrolytes prior to each dose of Portrazza during treatment and for at least eight weeks following completion of treatment; AND
 - F. Portrazza will be used in combination with gemcitabine and cisplatin for first-line treatment; AND
 - G. The prescriber provides documentation to the member explaining why the addition of Portrazza to cisplatin and gemcitabine as first-line therapy has benefits outweighing the increased risk of toxicity, adverse effects, and documented limited efficacy; AND
 - H. The prescriber is aware that the National Comprehensive Cancer Network does not support the addition of a third agent to cisplatin and gemcitabine for the first-line treatment of metastatic squamous cell Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer; AND
 - I. The medication dosing is within the following prescribing-supported parameter:
 - 1) The dose does not exceed 800 mg per dose
 - 2) The dose does not exceed 2 doses every 3 weeks
2. When services are not covered
Services are not covered for conditions other than those listed above because the scientific evidence has not been established.

Coverage may be provided for any non-FDA labeled indication or a medically accepted indication that is supported by nationally recognized pharmacy compendia or peer-reviewed medical literature for treatment of the diagnosis for which it is prescribed and will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis to determine medical necessity.

3. Length of Coverage
Coverage for Portrazza will be approved for a 12-month duration.

Reauthorization will be for 6 months upon receiving documentation that the member is tolerating and responding to treatment and the member will continue to have routine monitoring of serum electrolytes during treatment and for at least eight weeks following completion of treatment.

4. **Post-payment Audit Statement**
The medical record must include documentation that reflects the medical necessity criteria and is subject to audit by Gateway HealthSM at any time pursuant to the terms of your provider agreement.
5. **Place of Service**
The place of service for the administration of Portrazza is outpatient.
6. **Coverage Determination**
Gateway HealthSM follows the coverage determinations made by CMS as outlined in either the national coverage determinations (NCD) or the state-specific local carrier determination (LCD).

For Pennsylvania, there is no state-specific LCD or NCD for Portrazza. For additional information, please see:

http://www.novitas-solutions.com/webcenter/portal/MedicalPolicy_JL/?_afLoop=237596175793895#!%40%40%3F_afLoop%3D237596175793895%26_adf.ctrl-state%3Dwnoa115p2_42

CODING REQUIREMENTS

Procedure Codes

CPT/HCPCS Codes	Description
J3490	Unclassified drugs
J3590	Unclassified biologics
J9999	Not otherwise classified, antineoplastic drugs
C9475	Injection, Necitumumab, 1 mg
96413	Chemotherapy administration, intravenous infusion technique; up to 1 hour, single or initial substance/drug
96365	Intravenous infusion, for therapy, prophylaxis, or diagnosis (specify substance or drug); initial, up to 1 hour

Diagnosis Codes

ICD-10 Codes	Description
C34.0	Malignant neoplasm of main bronchus
C34.00	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified main bronchus
C34.01	Malignant neoplasm of right main bronchus
C34.02	Malignant neoplasm of left main bronchus
C34.10	Malignant neoplasm of upper lobe, unspecified bronchus or lung
C34.11	Malignant neoplasm of upper lobe, right bronchus or lung
C34.12	Malignant neoplasm of upper lobe, left bronchus or lung
C34.3	Malignant neoplasm of lower lobe, bronchus or lung
C34.30	Malignant neoplasm of lower lobe, unspecified bronchus or lung
C34.31	Malignant neoplasm of lower lobe, right bronchus or lung
C34.32	Malignant neoplasm of lower lobe, left bronchus or lung

C34.8	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of bronchus and lung
C34.80	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of unspecified bronchus and lung
C34.81	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of right bronchus and lung
C34.82	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of left bronchus and lung
C34.90	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified part of unspecified bronchus or lung
C34.91	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified part of right bronchus or lung
C34.92	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified part of left bronchus or lung

REIMBURSEMENT

Participating facilities will be reimbursed per their Gateway HealthSM contract.

POLICY SOURCE(S)

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Policy History:

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