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DRUG POLICY

Mavyret (glecaprevir and pibrentasvir)

NOTICE

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BENEFIT APPLICATION

Benefit determinations are based on the applicable contract language in effect at the time the services were rendered. Exclusions, limitations or exceptions may apply. Benefits may vary based on contract, and individual member benefits must be verified. Wellmark determines medical necessity only if the benefit exists and no contract exclusions are applicable. This medical policy may not apply to FEP. Benefits are determined by the Federal Employee Program.

DESCRIPTION

The intent of the Mavyret drug policy is to ensure clinically suitable, cost-effective therapy for members based on product labeling, clinical guidelines and clinical studies while maintaining optimal therapeutic results. Due to the constant changing treatment landscape of Hepatitis C with newly published data, developments, and new regimens available, the indications recommended in The American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases (AASLD) and the Infectious Diseases Society of America (IDSA) Hepatitis C guidelines are considered covered benefits provided that all the approval criteria are met, the member has no exclusions to the prescribed therapy, and guidelines reflect most recent evidence available.

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Exclusions

Coverage will not be provided for members with decompensated cirrhosis/moderate or severe hepatic impairment (Child Turcotte Pugh Class B or C)

Note: When the requested drug is being used in a combination therapy regimen, exclusions to the other antiviral drugs also apply.

Criteria for Initial Approval

A. Chronic Hepatitis C virus infection, without ribavirin

1. Genotype 1 infection

- a) Authorization of up to 8 weeks total may be granted for treatment-naive members without cirrhosis or with compensated cirrhosis.

- b) Authorization of up to 12 weeks total may be granted for treatment-naïve members with compensated cirrhosis and HIV coinfection.
- c) Authorization of up to 16 weeks total may be granted for members without cirrhosis or with compensated cirrhosis who failed prior treatment with an NS5A inhibitor (excluding glecaprevir/pibrentasvir) and who have not received an NS3/4A protease inhibitor.
- d) Authorization of up to 12 weeks total may be granted for members without cirrhosis or with compensated cirrhosis who failed prior treatment with an NS3/4A protease inhibitor (e.g., simeprevir, boceprevir or telaprevir in combination with peginterferon and ribavirin, simeprevir with sofosbuvir) and who have not received an NS5A inhibitor.
- e) Authorization of up to 8 weeks total may be granted for members without cirrhosis who failed prior treatment with an interferon-based regimen with or without ribavirin (RBV) and who have not received an NS3/4A protease inhibitor or NS5A inhibitor.
- f) Authorization of up to 12 weeks total may be granted for members with compensated cirrhosis who failed prior treatment with an interferon-based regimen with or without RBV and who have not received an NS3/4A protease inhibitor or NS5A inhibitor.
- g) Authorization of up to 16 weeks total may be granted for members without cirrhosis or with compensated cirrhosis who failed prior treatment with a sofosbuvir (Sovaldi)-based regimen (e.g., sofosbuvir and ribavirin with or without interferon, sofosbuvir/ledipasvir [Harvoni], sofosbuvir/velpatasvir [Eplclusa]) and who have not had prior exposure to an NS5A inhibitor plus NS3/4A protease inhibitor regimen (e.g., elbasvir/grazoprevir [Zepatier]).

2. Genotype 3 infection

- a) Authorization of up to 8 weeks total may be granted for treatment-naïve members without cirrhosis or with compensated cirrhosis.
- b) Authorization of up to 12 weeks total may be granted for treatment naïve members with compensated cirrhosis and HIV coinfection.
- c) Authorization of up to 16 weeks total may be granted for members without cirrhosis or with compensated cirrhosis who failed prior treatment with an interferon-based regimen with or without RBV and who have not received an NS3/4A protease inhibitor or NS5A inhibitor.
- d) Authorization of up to 16 weeks total may be granted for members without cirrhosis or with compensated cirrhosis who failed prior treatment with sofosbuvir (Sovaldi)-based regimen (e.g., sofosbuvir and ribavirin with or without interferon) without sofosbuvir/NS5A inhibitor experience (e.g., sofosbuvir/ledipasvir [Harvoni], sofosbuvir/velpatasvir [Eplclusa]) or prior exposure to a NS5A inhibitor plus NS3/4A protease inhibitor regimen (e.g., elbasvir/grazoprevir [Zepatier]).

3. Genotype 2, 4, 5, or 6 infection

- a) Authorization of up to 8 weeks total may be granted for treatment-naïve members without cirrhosis or with compensated cirrhosis.
- b) Authorization of up to 12 weeks total may be granted for treatment naïve members with compensated cirrhosis and HIV coinfection.
- c) Authorization of up to 8 weeks total may be granted for members without cirrhosis who failed prior treatment with an interferon-based regimen with or without RBV and who have not received an NS3/4A protease inhibitor or NS5A inhibitor.
- d) Authorization of up to 12 weeks total may be granted for members with compensated cirrhosis who failed prior treatment with an interferon-based regimen with or without RBV and who have not received an NS3/4A protease inhibitor or NS5A inhibitor.
- e) Authorization of up to 16 weeks total may be granted for members without cirrhosis or with compensated cirrhosis who failed prior treatment with asofosbuvir (Sovaldi)-based regimen (e.g., sofosbuvir and ribavirin with or without an interferon, sofosbuvir/ledipasvir [Harvoni], sofosbuvir/velpatasvir [Eplclusa]) and who have not had prior exposure to an

NS5A inhibitor plus NS3/4A protease inhibitor regimen (e.g., elbasvir/grazoprevir [Zepatier]).

4. Unknown genotype/genotype could not be determined

Authorization of up to 8 weeks total may be granted for members with unknown or undetermined genotype without cirrhosis who are treatment-naïve and do not have any of the following characteristics:

- i. HIV or HBsAG positive
- ii. Current pregnancy
- iii. Known or suspected hepatocellular carcinoma
- iv. Prior liver transplantation

Note: Genotype testing is required for members with any of the characteristics listed.

5. Recurrent HCV infection post liver transplantation

- a) Authorization of up to 12 weeks total may be granted for members without cirrhosis or with compensated cirrhosis and recurrent HCV genotype 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6 infection post liver transplantation.
- b) Authorization of up to 16 weeks total may be granted for members with recurrent HCV genotype 1 infection post liver transplantation without cirrhosis or with compensated cirrhosis who failed prior treatment with an NS5A inhibitor (excluding glecaprevir/pibrentasvir) and who have not received an NS3/4A protease inhibitor.
- c) Authorization of up to 16 weeks total may be granted for members with recurrent HCV genotype 3 infection post liver transplantation without cirrhosis or with compensated cirrhosis who failed prior treatment with PEG-IFN and RBV and who have not received an NS3/4A protease inhibitor or NS5A inhibitor.
- d) Authorization of up to 16 weeks total may be granted for members with recurrent HCV genotype 3 infection post liver transplantation without cirrhosis or with compensated cirrhosis who failed prior treatment with sofosbuvir (Sovaldi) and RBV with or without PEG-IFN and who have not received an NS3/4A protease inhibitor or NS5A inhibitor.

6. Kidney transplant recipients

- a) Authorization of up to 12 weeks total may be granted for members without cirrhosis or with compensated cirrhosis who have HCV genotype 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6 infection and are treatment-naïve or who have not failed prior treatment with a direct-acting antiviral.
- b) Authorization of up to 16 weeks total may be granted for members with HCV genotype 1 infection without cirrhosis or with compensated cirrhosis who failed prior treatment with an NS5A inhibitor (excluding glecaprevir/pibrentasvir) and who have not received an NS3/4A protease inhibitor.
- c) Authorization of up to 16 weeks total may be granted for members with HCV genotype 3 infection without cirrhosis or with compensated cirrhosis who failed prior treatment with PEG-IFN and RBV and who have not received an NS3/4A protease inhibitor or NS5A inhibitor.
- d) Authorization of up to 16 weeks total may be granted for members with HCV genotype 3 infection without cirrhosis or with compensated cirrhosis who failed prior treatment with sofosbuvir (Sovaldi) and RBV with or without PEG-IFN and who have not received an NS3/4A protease inhibitor or NS5A inhibitor

7. Organ recipient from HCV-viremic donor

- a) Authorization of up to 12 weeks total may be granted for members who have received a liver transplant from an HCV-viremic donor.

- b) Authorization of up to 8 weeks total may be granted for members who have received a non-liver organ transplant from an HCV-viremic donor when treatment is initiated in the first week after transplant.
- c) Authorization of up to 12 weeks total may be granted for members who have received a non-liver organ transplant from an HCV-viremic donor when treatment is initiated more than one week after transplant.

B. Hepatitis C virus infection, in combination with Sovaldi and ribavirin

Genotype 1,2,3,4,5, or 6 infection

- a) Authorization of up to 16 weeks total may be granted for members without cirrhosis or with compensated cirrhosis who failed prior treatment with glecaprevir/pibrentasvir (Mavyret). An additional 8 weeks may be granted following failure with sofosbuvir (Sovaldi) and Mavyret.
- b) Authorization of up to 16 weeks total may be granted for members without cirrhosis or with compensated cirrhosis who failed prior treatment with sofosbuvir/velpatasvir/voxilaprevir (Vosevi). Authorization of up to 24 weeks may be granted for members with extremely difficult cases (e.g., genotype 3 with cirrhosis).

C. HCV and HIV Coinfection

Authorization may be granted for members with HCV and HIV coinfection when the criteria for approval of the requested regimen in Sections A or B above are met.

Continuation of Therapy

All members (including new members) requesting authorization for continuation of therapy must meet all initial authorization criteria.

Prior Approval is required.

Dosing and Administration

Approvals may be subject to dosing limits in accordance with FDA-approved labeling, accepted compendia, and/or evidence-based practice guidelines.

Dosing Limits

- The following dosing limits apply: 3 tablets/day, 5 pellets/day. Lifetime Maximum 336 tablets/560 pellets (672 tablets/1120 pellets if meets criteria B a) above).

Dispensing Limits

- A 28-day supply dispense limit applies to all targeted hepatitis C agents in order to better manage the therapy regimen.

PROCEDURES AND BILLING CODES

To report provider services, use appropriate CPT* codes, Alpha Numeric (HCPCS level 2) codes, Revenue codes, and/or ICD diagnostic codes.

REFERENCES

- Mavyret [package insert]. North Chicago, IL: AbbVie Inc.; June 2021.
- AASLD/IDSA/IAS–USA. Recommendations for testing, managing, and treating hepatitis C. <http://www.hcvguidelines.org>. Last changes made September 29, 2021.

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