

<b>Policy Name:</b>	<b>Mytesi (crofelemer)</b>	<b>Policy#:</b>	<b>2042P</b>
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## Purpose of the Policy

The purpose of this policy is to define coverage criteria for Mytesi (crofelemer).

## Statement of the Policy

Health Alliance Medical Plans will approve the use of Mytesi (crofelemer) if the following criteria are met.

## Criteria

### 1. Coverage Criteria

- 1.1 Member is greater than 17 years of age
- 1.2 Member currently on antiretroviral therapy for the treatment of HIV/AIDS
- 1.3 Diagnosis of noninfectious diarrhea for at least one month
- 1.4 Symptoms persist despite use with an anti-motility drug (e.g., loperamide or diphenoxylate/atropine [Lomotil])

### 2. Duration of Treatment

- 2.1 Initial approval: 12 months
- 2.2 Extension of treatment: 12 months with documentation of improvement of symptoms

## CPT Codes

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## HCPCS Codes

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