Pharmacy Drug Policy & Procedure

Policy Name:	Vyndaqel/Vyndamax (tafamidis meglumine)	Policy #:	2714P

Purpose of the Policy

The purpose of this policy is to establish the criteria for coverage of Vyndaqel or Vyndamax.

Statement of the Policy

Health Alliance Medical Plans will approve the use of Vyndaqel (tafamidis meglumine) or Vyndamax (tafamidis meglumine) under the specialty pharmacy benefit when the following criteria have been met.

Criteria

1.1 Diagnosis of transthyretin (ATTR) – mediated amyloidosis with cardiomyopathy (ATTR-CM)

1.2 One of the following:

- Documentation that the patient has a pathogenic TTR mutation (e.g., V30M), or
- Heart biopsy demonstrating microscopic confirmation of ATTR amyloid deposits, or
- ALL of the following:
  - Echocardiogram or heart imaging suggestive of amyloidosis, and
  - Radionuclide imaging (99mTc-DPD, 99mTc-PYP, or 99m Tc-HMDP) showing grade 2 or 3 cardiac uptake, and
  - Absence of protein identified in blood, urine immunofixation (IFE), serum free light chain (sFLC) assay

1.3 Prescribed by or in consultation with a cardiologist (heart doctor)

1.4 Presence of clinical signs and symptoms of heart disease (e.g., heart failure, labored breathing, leg swelling, enlarged liver, chest pain or stomach cavity fluid, etc.)

1.5 Documentation the patient has an N-terminal pro-B-type naturetic peptide (NT-proBNP) level greater than or equal to 600 pg/mL AND ONE of the following:

- Patient has New York Heart Association (NYHA) Functional Class I or II heart failure, or
- Patient has New York Heart Association (NYHA) Functional Class III heart failure, and patient's cardiopulmonary functional status allows patient to ambulate 100 meters or greater in 6 minutes or less

2. Approval Period

2.1 Initial Approval: 12 months

2.2 Reapproval: 12 months with documentation that the patient has experienced a positive clinical response to Vyndaqel/Vyndamax (e.g., improved symptoms, quality of life, slowing of disease progression, decreased hospitalizations, etc.)

CPT Codes

HCPCS Codes

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