

RX.PA.006.MPC Cabenuva® (cabotegravir/rilpivirine) Injectable Policy

PURPOSE

Cabenuva® is a two-drug co-packaged product of cabotegravir (INSTI – integrase strand-transfer inhibitor) and rilpivirine (NNRTI – non-nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitor) indicated as a complete regimen for the treatment of HIV-1 infection in adults to replace current antiretroviral regimen in virologically suppressed (HIV-1 RNA < 50 copies per mL) on stable antiretroviral regimen with no history of treatment or suspected resistance to cabotegravir or rilpivirine. Maryland Physicians Care requires Prior Authorization for its use.

Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV): Approve Cabenuva if the member meets **ONE** of the following conditions (A or B)

A. Initial Therapy - Member must meet **ALL** of the following:

- a. Member has HIV type-1 (HIV-1) infection
AND
- b. Member is ≥ 18 years of age
AND
- c. Member has HIV-1 RNA < 50 copies/mL (virologically suppressed)
AND
- d. Member has no documented history of treatment failure with other medications used for managing HIV-1 infection
AND
- e. For oral Vocabria (cabotegravir) lead-in: Member has documented contraindication or intolerance to preferred INSTI formulary alternative Isentress (raltegravir)
AND
- f. Member has documented tolerance to 30-day oral lead-in trial therapy with Vocabria (cabotegravir) tablets and Edurant (rilpivirine) tablets
AND
- g. Member has no documented history of suspected resistance to cabotegravir (INSTI) or rilpivirine (NNRTI)
AND
- h. For Cabenuva: member has documented contraindication or intolerance to a formulary oral combination product
AND
- i. Cabenuva is prescribed by or in consultation with a specialist in the treatment of HIV infection

B. Member Currently Treated with Cabenuva:

- a. Member has HIV type-1 (HIV-1) infection
AND
- b. Member is \geq 18 years of age
AND
- c. Member has HIV-1 RNA < 50 copies/mL (virologically suppressed)
AND
- d. Member has documented claims supporting prior treatment initiation with 30-day oral lead-in trial therapy with Vocabria (cabotegravir) tablets and Edurant (rilpivirine) tablets (samples will not be accepted for lead-in trial)
AND
- e. Member has documented claims supporting continuation of therapy with Cabenuva (samples will not be accepted as a continuation of therapy)

C. Must be prescribed at a dose within the manufacturer’s dosing guidelines (based on diagnosis, weight, etc) listed in the FDA approved labeling.

D. Cabenuva will be considered investigational or experimental for any other use and will not be covered.

Approval Duration:

- A. Initial Therapy: Approve for 6 months
- B. Continuation of Therapy: Approve for 1 year

| CPT Code | Description |
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| J0741 | Injection, cabotegravir and rilpivirine, 2mg/3mg |

References:

1. Cabenuva® injection [prescribing information]. Research Triangle Park, NJ: ViiV Healthcare/GlaxoSmithKline; January 2021.

REVIEW HISTORY

| DESCRIPTION OF REVIEW / REVISION | DATE APPROVED |
|--|----------------|
| <i>Annual review and J-Code Update</i> | <i>02/2022</i> |

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| <i>Addition of dosing requirements</i> | <i>12/2021</i> |
| <i>P&T Review</i> | <i>05/2021</i> |