

## **RX.PA.034.MPC Specialty Enzymes (Lumizyme, Fabrazyme, and Elfabrio) & Galafold**

The purpose of this policy is to define the prior authorization process for the following specialty enzymes: Lumizyme (alglucosidase alfa), Fabrazyme (agalsidase beta), and Elfabrio (pegunigalsidase alfa-iwxj); Galafold (migalastat)

- Lumizyme (alglucosidase alfa) is indicated for patients with Pompe disease. Lumizyme consists of the human enzyme acid alpha-glucosidase (GAA) and is intended for intravenous infusion.
- Fabrazyme (agalsidase beta) is a recombinant human enzyme indicated for use in patients with Fabry disease. Agalsidase beta (Fabrazyme) reduces globotriasylceramide (GL-3) deposition in capillary endothelium of the kidney and certain other cell types.
- Elfabrio (pegunigalsidase alfa-iwxj) is indicated for the treatment of adults with confirmed Fabry disease.
- Galafold (migalastat) is an alpha-galactosidase A (alpha-Gal A) pharmacological chaperone indicated for the treatment of adults with a confirmed diagnosis of Fabry disease.

## **DEFINITIONS**

**Mucopolysaccharidosis I** – a rare, autosomal recessive genetic disease caused by a defect in the gene coding for the lysosomal enzyme alpha-L-iduronidase resulting in inability to produce sufficient amounts of the enzyme

**Hunter Syndrome** – a serious progressive genetic disorder caused by a deficiency or absence of the lysosomal enzyme (iduronate-2-sulfatase) required for the degradation of glycosaminoglycans (GAG) resulting in accumulation of GAG in cells throughout the body. Hunter Syndrome affects males almost exclusively.

**Mucopolysaccharidosis VI** – a progressive lysosomal storage disorder caused by a deficiency in the arylsulfatase B enzyme causing retention of glycosaminoglycans leading to multisystemic organ damage.

**Pompe Disease** – A genetic absence or deficiency of acid alpha-glucosidase (GAA) resulting in build-up of glycogen in the cardiac and skeletal muscles, and in hepatic tissue. This results in the development of cardiomyopathy, progressive muscle weakness, and impairment of respiratory function.

**Fabry Disease** – a rare genetic disorder caused by a defect in the gene for the lysosomal enzyme alpha-galactosidase resulting in inability or diminished ability to catabolize certain lipids. These lipids then accumulate in many cell-types throughout the body.

**Globotriasylceramide** – a type of glycolipid compound that accumulates in blood vessel walls of people with Fabry disease

## PROCEDURE

### A. Initial Authorization Criteria:

*Must meet all of the criteria listed below under each respective drug.*

#### **Lumizyme (alglucosidase alfa)**

- Must be prescribed by or in consultation with a physician who specializes in the treatment of inherited metabolic disorders or a neurologist
- Must have a documented confirmed diagnosis of alpha glucosidase deficiency (Pompe disease)
  - Diagnosis must be confirmed through GAA enzyme assay (from blood, skin fibroblasts, lymphocytes, or muscle) and/or identification of GAA gene mutation
- Must have documentation of baseline factors for the following:
  - Percent predicted forced vital capacity (FVC)
  - 6-minute walk test
    - Note: 6 minute walk test is excluded for members at an age not able to walk
- Dosage must not exceed 20mg per kg body weight administered every 2 weeks

#### **Fabrazyme (agalsidase beta) and Galafold (migalastat)**

- Must be prescribed by or in consultation with a provider who specializes in the treatment of inherited metabolic disorders or a neurologist
- Member is at least 2 years of age or older
- Must have a documented diagnosis of Fabry disease confirmed by one of the following:
  - Genetic test confirming mutation of galactosidase alpha (GLA) gene
  - Biopsy of tissue or organ (such as kidney) showing intracellular globotriaosylceramide (Gb3) inclusion
  - Male members only may also have their diagnosis confirmed by an Alpha-galactosidase A (alpha-Gal A) enzyme activity <3%
- Fabrazyme (agalsidase beta) and Galafold (migalastat) must not be used together or in combination with other enzyme replacement therapies for Fabry's disease
- Dosage must not exceed 1mg per kg body weight administered every 2 weeks

**Elfabrio (pegunigalsidase alfa-iwxj)**

- Member is at least 18 years of age or older
- Must be prescribed by or in consultation with a provider who specializes in the treatment of inherited metabolic disorders or a neurologist
- Must have a documented diagnosis of Fabry disease confirmed by one of the following:
  - Genetic test confirming mutation of galactosidase alpha (GLA) gene
  - Biopsy of tissue or organ (such as kidney) showing intracellular globotriaosylceramide (Gb3) inclusion
  - Male members only may also have their diagnosis confirmed by an Alpha-galactosidase A (alpha-Gal A) enzyme activity <3%
- Member must have documentation of at least one or more symptoms:
  - Pain in the extremities (acroparesthesias); OR
  - Cutaneous vascular lesions (angiokeratomas)
  - Corneal verticillata (whorls)
  - Decreased sweating (anhidrosis or hypohidrosis)
  - Personal or family history of exercise, heat, or cold intolerance
- Must not be used in combination with Galafold (migalastat), Fabrazyme (agalsidase beta), or other enzyme replacement therapies for Fabry's disease
- Dosage must not exceed 1mg per kg (actual body weight) administered every 2 weeks
- Must have documented baseline values of at least one of the following:
  - Globotriaosylceramide (Gb3) concentration in urine > 1.5 times upper normal limit
  - Plasma globotriaosylceramide (GL3) level
  - Plasma globotriaosphingosine (lyso-Gb3) level

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

**C. Lumizyme, Fabrazyme, Galafold and Elfabrio will be considered investigational or experimental for any other use and will not be covered.**

**D. Reauthorization Criteria:**

All prior authorization renewals are reviewed on an annual basis to determine the Medical Necessity for continuation of therapy.

- **MPC Renewal:**
  - Must be prescribed by or in consultation with a provider who specializes in the treatment of inherited metabolic disorders or a neurologist

- Documentation of a clinical response of the member's condition which has stabilized or improved based upon the prescriber's assessment
- For alpha glucosidase deficiency (Pompe disease), must provide documentation of an improvement in percent predicted FVC and/or 6 minute walk test compared to baseline
  - Note: 6 minute walk test is excluded for members at an age not able to walk
- **Non- MPC Renewal:**
  - Members who have previously been taking Lumizyme, Fabrazyme, Galafold or Elfabrio and are requesting a non-MPC renewal should be considered under criterion A (Initial Authorization Criteria).
  - Member has not been receiving medication samples for Lumizyme, Fabrazyme, Galafold or Elfabrio
  - Must be prescribed by or in consultation with a provider who specializes in the treatment of inherited metabolic disorders or a neurologist
  - Provider has a documented clinical response of the member's condition which has stabilized or improved based upon the prescriber's assessment
  - For alpha glucosidase deficiency (Pompe disease), must provide documentation of an improvement in percent predicted FVC and/or 6 minute walk test compared to baseline
    - Note: 6 minute walk test is excluded for members at an age not able to walk

**Limitations:**

Length of Authorization (if above criteria met)	
Initial Authorization	Up to 6 months
Reauthorization	Up to 12 months

If the established criteria are not met, the request is referred to a Medical Director for review.

**Codes: J Code(s)**

Code	Description
J0180	Injection, agalsidase beta, 1 mg
J0221	Injection, alglucosidase alfa, (lumizyme), 10 mg
J3590	Unclassified biologic

## REFERENCES

1. Aldurazyme [package insert]. BioMatin/Genzyme LLC. Novato CA, April 2008.
2. Elaprase [package insert]. Shire Human Genetic Therapies Inc. Cambridge MA, October 2007.
3. Naglazyme [package insert]. BioMarin Pharmaceuticals. Novato CA, June 2005.
4. Lumizyme [package insert]. Genzyme Corp. Cambridge, MA, September 2014.
5. American Association of Neuromuscular & Electrodiagnostic Medicine. Diagnostic criteria for late-onset (childhood and adult) Pompe disease. Muscle Nerve 2009;40:149-160
6. Kishnani PS, Steiner RD, Bali D, et al. Pompe disease diagnosis and management guideline. Genet Med 2006;8(5):267-288
7. Kishnani PS, Amartino HM, Lindberg C, et al. Methods of diagnosis of patients with Pompe disease: data from the Pompe registry. Mol Genet Metab 2014; <http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.ymgme.2014.07.014>
8. Fabrazyme [package insert]. Genzyme Corporation. Cambridge MA, December 2008.
9. Galafold™ [Prescribing Information]. Cranbury, NJ: Amicus Therapeutics; August 2018.
10. Elfabrio [package insert]. Chiesi USA, Inc. Cary NC, May 2023.

## REVIEW HISTORY

DESCRIPTION OF REVIEW / REVISION	DATE APPROVED
<i>Selected Review</i> <i>Addition of criteria requirements for Elfabrio (pegunigalsidase alfa-iwxj)</i>	<i>09/2023</i>
<i>Annual review</i>	<i>02/2023</i>
<i>Selected Revision</i> <i>Addition of MPC vs Non-MPC Renewal Criteria and expanded initial review criteria</i>	<i>08/2022</i>
<i>Annual review</i>	<i>02/2022</i>
<i>Addition of dosing requirements and off-label restrictions</i>	<i>12/2021</i>
<i>P&amp;T Review</i>	<i>11/2020</i>