

Clinical Policy Title:	elosulfase alfa
Policy Number:	RxA.551
Drug(s) Applied:	Vimzim®
Original Policy Date:	03/06/2020
Last Review Date:	12/07/2020
Line of Business Policy Applies to:	All lines of business

Background

Elosulfase alfa (Vimzim®) is a hydrolytic lysosomal glycosaminoglycan-specific enzyme. It is indicated for patients with mucopolysaccharidosis type IVA (MPS IVA; Morquio A syndrome).

Dosing Information

Drug Name	Indication	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose
elosulfase alfa (Vimzim®)	MPS IVA	2 mg/kg IV once weekly	2 mg/kg/week

Dosage Forms

- Single-use vial: 5 mg/5 mL

Clinical Policy

Provider must submit documentation (such as office chart notes, lab results or other clinical information) supporting that member has met all approval criteria.

I. Initial Approval Criteria

A. Mucopolysaccharidosis IVA: Morquio A Syndrome (must meet all):

1. Diagnosis of Morquio A syndrome (MPS IVA) confirmed by one of the following:
 - a. Enzyme assay demonstrating a deficiency of N-acetylgalactosamine-6-sulfatase activity;
 - b. DNA testing;
2. Age ≥ 5 years;
3. Dose does not exceed 2 mg per kg per week.

Approval Duration

Commercial: 6 months

Medicaid: 6 months

II. Continued Therapy Approval

A. Mucopolysaccharidosis IVA: Morquio A Syndrome (must meet all):

1. Currently receiving medication that has been authorized by RxAdvance or member has previously met initial approval criteria listed in this policy;
2. Member is responding positively to therapy as evidenced by improvement in the individual member's MPS IVA disease manifestation profile (*see Appendix D for examples*);

This clinical policy has been developed to authorize, modify, or determine coverage for individuals with similar conditions. Specific care and treatment may vary depending on individual need and benefits covered by the plan. This policy is not intended to dictate to providers how to practice medicine, nor does it constitute a contract or guarantee regarding payment or results. This document may contain prescription brand name drugs that are trademarks of pharmaceutical manufacturers that are not affiliated with RxAdvance.

- If request is for a dose increase, new dose does not exceed 2 mg per kg per week.

Approval Duration

Commercial: 6 months

Medicaid: 12 months

III. Appendices

APPENDIX A: Abbreviation/Acronym Key

FDA: Food and Drug Administration

MPS IVA: mucopolysaccharidosis IVA

APPENDIX B: Therapeutic Alternatives

Not applicable.

APPENDIX C: Contraindications/Boxed Warnings

- Contraindication(s):
 - None reported.
- Boxed Warning(s):
 - Risk of life-threatening anaphylactic reactions during Vimizim® infusions.

APPENDIX D: General Information

The presenting symptoms and clinical course of MPS IVA can vary from one individual to another. Some examples, however, of improvement in MPS IVA disease as a result of Vimizim® therapy may include improvement in:

- 6-minute walking test distance
- Breathing difficulties
- Muscle weakness
- Vision or hearing problems
- Height and weight
- Hepatomegaly or splenomegaly

References

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Review/Revision History	Review/Revision Date	P&T Approval Date
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Policy was reviewed 1. Clinical policy title updated 2. Line of business policy applies to was updated to 'All lines of business'	09/21/2020	12/07/2020

<ol style="list-style-type: none">3. Continued Therapy criteria II.A.1 was rephrased to "Currently receiving medication that has been authorized by RxAdvance..."4. Appendix D updated to add height and weight.5. Reference reviewed and updated.		
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