

<b>Clinical Policy Title:</b>	pexidartinib
<b>Policy Number:</b>	RxA.511
<b>Drug(s) Applied:</b>	Turalio®
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<b>Line of Business Policy Applies to:</b>	All lines of business

## Background

Pexidartinib (Turalio®) is a kinase inhibitor indicated for the treatment of adult patients with symptomatic tenosynovial giant cell tumor (TGCT) associated with severe morbidity or functional limitations and not amenable to improvement with surgery.

## Dosing Information

Drug Name	Indication	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose
pexidartinib (Turalio®)	TGCT	400 mg PO BID on an empty stomach (at least one hour before or two hours after a meal or snack) until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity	800 mg/day

## Dosage Forms

- Capsule: 200 mg

## 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. Tenosynovial Giant Cell Tumor (must meet all):

1. Diagnosis of TGCT (also known as giant cell tumor of the tendon sheath [GCT-TS] or pigmented villonodular synovitis [PVNS]);
2. Prescribed by or in consultation with an oncologist;
3. Age ≥ 18 years;
4. Disease is associated with severe morbidity or functional limitations and is not amenable to improvement with surgery;
5. Request meets one of the following (a or b):\*
  - a. Dose does not exceed 800 mg (4 capsules) per day;
  - b. Dose is supported by practice guidelines or peer-reviewed literature for the relevant off-

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label use (prescriber must submit supporting evidence).

\*Prescribed regimen must be FDA-approved or recommended by NCCN

**Approval duration**

**Commercial:** 6 months

**Medicaid:** 6 months

**II. Continued Therapy Approval**

**A. Tenosynovial Giant Cell Tumor (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;
3. If request is for a dose increase, request meets one of the following (a or b): \*
  - a. New dose does not exceed 800 mg (4 capsules) per day;
  - b. New dose is supported by practice guidelines or peer-reviewed literature for the relevant off-label use (prescriber must submit supporting evidence).

\*Prescribed regimen must be FDA-approved or recommended by NCCN

**Approval duration**

**Commercial:** 12 months

**Medicaid:** 12 months

**III. Appendices**

**APPENDIX A: Abbreviation/Acronym Key**

CSF1R: colony stimulating factor 1 Receptor  
FDA: Food and Drug Administration  
GCT-TS: giant cell tumor of the tendon sheath  
PVNS: pigmented villonodular synovitis  
TGCT: tenosynovial giant cell tumor

**APPENDIX B: Therapeutic Alternatives**

- Not applicable

**APPENDIX C: Contraindications/Boxed Warnings**

- Contraindication(s):
  - None reported
- Boxed Warning(s):
  - Hepatotoxicity
    - Turalio is available only through a restricted program called the Turalio Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategy (REMS) Program (additional information available at: [www.TuralioREMS.com](http://www.TuralioREMS.com)).
    - Turalio can cause serious and potentially fatal liver injury.
    - Monitor liver tests prior to initiation of Turalio and at specified intervals during treatment. Withhold and dose reduce or permanently discontinue Turalio based on severity of hepatotoxicity.

**APPENDIX D: General Information**

- Pexidartinib is a small molecule tyrosine kinase inhibitor that targets colony stimulating factor 1 receptor (CSF1R), KIT proto-oncogene receptor tyrosine kinase (KIT), and FMS-like tyrosine kinase 3 (FLT3) harboring an internal tandem duplication (ITD) mutation.

- Turalio may cause fetal harm. Advise patients of reproductive potential of the potential risk to a fetus and to use an effective non-hormonal method of contraception.

**References**

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Review/Revision History	Review/Revision Date	P&T Approval Date
Policy established.	01/2020	03/06/2020
Policy was reviewed: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Clinical Policy Title Table was updated.</li> <li>2. Line of business policy applies was updated to All lines of business.</li> <li>3. Continued Therapy criteria II.A.1 was rephrased to "Currently receiving medication that has been authorized by RxAdvance..."</li> <li>4. Initial Approval criteria: Commercial approval duration was updated from member's Length of Benefit to 6 months.</li> <li>5. Continued Approval criteria: Commercial approval duration were updated to 12 months.</li> <li>6. APPENDIX D: General Information was updated to include the risk during pregnancy.</li> <li>7. References was reviewed and updated.</li> <li>8. Updated indication: Pexidartinib (Turalio®) is a kinase inhibitor indicated for the treatment of adult patients with symptomatic tenosynovial giant cell tumor (TGCT) associated with severe morbidity or functional limitations and not amenable to improvement with surgery.</li> </ol>	09/16/2020	12/07/2020