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Subject: Lorlatinib (Lorbrena)

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Dosage/ Administration	Position Statement	Billing/Coding	Reimbursement	Program Exceptions	Definitions
Related Guidelines	Other	References	Updates		

DESCRIPTION:

Lorlatinib (Lorbrena), a kinase inhibitor, was approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) in 2018 for the treatment of patients with anaplastic lymphoma kinase (ALK)-positive metastatic non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC) whose disease has progressed on crizotinib, alectinib, or ceritinib.

The safety and efficacy of lorlatinib were evaluated in a non-randomized study of patients with anaplastic lymphoma kinase (ALK)-positive metastatic non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC) previously treated with 1 or more ALK kinase inhibitors (N=215). All patients received lorlatinib 1 mg daily.

The overall response rate (ORR) was 48% (complete response, 4%) and median duration of response was 12.5 months (95% CI, 8.4 to 23.7 months) with lorlatinib in In a subgroup of patients with CNS metastases (n=89), intracranial response rate was 60% (complete response, 21%) and median duration of response was 19.5 months (95% CI, 12.4 months to not reached). In exploratory analysis, ORR was 39%, 31%, and 46% in patients who received crizotinib and at least 1 other ALK inhibitor with or without chemotherapy (n=119), in patients who received alectinib as their only ALK inhibitor with or without chemotherapy (n=13), and in patients who received ceritinib as their only ALK inhibitor with or without chemotherapy (n=13), respectively.

National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN) Guidelines for Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer (Version 7.2019) recommend lorlatinib for ALK- or ROS-positive recurrent, advanced or metastatic disease.

POSITION STATEMENT:

Comparative Effectiveness

The FDA has deemed the drug(s) or biological product(s) in this coverage policy to be appropriate for self-administration or administration by a caregiver (i.e., not a healthcare professional). Therefore, coverage (i.e., administration) in a provider-administered setting such as an outpatient hospital, ambulatory surgical suite, physician office, or emergency facility is not considered medically necessary.

Initiation of lorlatinib (Lorbrena) **meets the definition of medical necessity** for members diagnosed with **ANY** of the following conditions when **ALL** associated criteria are met:

1. Non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC)
 - a. Member's disease is recurrent, advanced, or metastatic
 - b. Member has a documented anaplastic lymphoma kinase (ALK) or ROS1 rearrangement – laboratory documentation must be provided
 - c. Member meets **ONE** of the following:
 - i. ALK-positive disease **AND** one of the following
 1. Use is following disease progression on first-line therapy with crizotinib **AND** subsequent therapy with alectinib, brigatinib, or ceritinib
 2. Use is following disease progression on first-line therapy with alectinib, brigatinib, or ceritinib
 - ii. ROS1-positive disease **AND** use is following disease progression on crizotinib or ceritinib
 - d. Use will be as monotherapy (without concomitant chemotherapy)
 - e. Dose does not exceed 100 mg daily – dosage will be achieved using the fewest tablets possible
2. Other FDA-approved or NCCN supported diagnosis (not previously listed above)
 - a. Member meets one of the following:
 - i. Member is diagnosed with a condition that is consistent with an indication listed in the product's FDA-approved prescribing information (or package insert) **AND** member meets any additional requirements listed in the "Indications and Usage" section of the FDA-approved prescribing information (or package insert)
 - ii. Indication **AND** usage is recognized in NCCN Drugs and Biologics Compendium as a Category 1 or 2A recommendation
 - b. Dose does not exceed 100 mg daily – dosage will be achieved using the fewest tablets possible

Approval duration: 6 months

Continuation of lorlatinib (Lorbrena) **meets the definition of medical necessity** when **ALL** of the following criteria are met:

1. Authorization/reauthorization has been previously approved by Florida Blue or another health plan in the past two years for treatment of ALK-positive or ROS1-positive NSCLC, or other FDA-approved or NCCN supported diagnosis, **OR** the member has previously met all indication-specific criteria.
2. Dose does not exceed 100 mg daily – dosage will be achieved using the fewest tablets possible

Approval duration: 1 year

DOSAGE/ADMINISTRATION:

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FOR DOSAGE GUIDELINES AND OTHER INFORMATION RELATED TO THIS MEDICATION BEFORE MAKING ANY CLINICAL DECISIONS REGARDING ITS USAGE.

FDA-approved

- 100 mg orally once daily

Dose Adjustments

- First dose reduction: 75 mg once daily
- Second dose reduction: 50 mg once daily

Drug Availability

- Tablets: 25 mg or 100 mg

PRECAUTIONS:

Boxed Warning

- None

Contraindications

- Concomitant use with strong CYP3A inducers

Precautions/Warnings

- Risk of Serious Hepatotoxicity with Concomitant Use of Strong CYP3A Inducers
- Central Nervous System (CNS) Effects
- Hyperlipidemia/Atrioventricular Block
- Embryo-Fetal Toxicity

BILLING/CODING INFORMATION:

The following codes may be used to describe:

HCPCS Coding

J8999	Prescription drug, oral, chemotherapeutic, Not Otherwise Specified
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ICD-10 Diagnosis Codes That Support Medical Necessity

C33	Malignant neoplasm of trachea
C34.00-C34.92	Malignant neoplasm of bronchus or lung

REIMBURSEMENT INFORMATION:

Refer to section entitled [POSITION STATEMENT](#).

PROGRAM EXCEPTIONS:

Federal Employee Program (FEP): Follow FEP guidelines.

State Account Organization (SAO): Follow SAO guidelines.

Medicare Part D: BCBSF has delegated to Prime Therapeutics authority to make coverage determinations for the Medicare Part D services referenced in this guideline.

Medicare Advantage: No National Coverage Determination (NCD) and/or Local Coverage Determination (LCD) were found at the time of the last guideline review date.

DEFINITIONS:

None

RELATED GUIDELINES:

None

OTHER:

None

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COMMITTEE APPROVAL:

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GUIDELINE UPDATE INFORMATION:

03/15/19	New Medical Coverage Guideline.
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10/15/19	Review and revision, updated position statement, description, references.
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