



SmartPA Criteria Proposal

Drug/Drug Class:	Voxzogo Clinical Edit		
First Implementation Date:	TBD		
Proposed Date:	March 17, 2022		
Prepared for:	MO HealthNet		
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Criteria Status:	□Existing Criteria □Revision of Existing Criteria ⊠New Criteria		

Executive Summary

Purpose: Ensure appropriate utilization and control of Voxzogo® (vosoritide)

Why Issue Selected:

Voxzogo® (vosoritide) was FDA approved on November 19, 2021 to increase linear growth in pediatric patients with achondroplasia (ACH) and open epiphyses who are at least 5 years of age. ACH is a genetic disorder caused by a pathogenic variant in the *FGFR3* gene, resulting in overactivation of the FGFR3 protein and decreased bone growth. ACH is the most common type of short-limbed dwarfism occurring in roughly 1 in 15,000 to 40,000 newborns worldwide and most commonly presents as shortened limbs, large head circumference, and short stature. Treatment of ACH generally consists of addressing complications (spinal stenosis, recurrent ear infections, obstructive sleep apnea, obesity) and maximizing functional capacity through methods such as physical therapy.

Voxzogo acts by binding to natriuretic peptide receptor-B (NPR-B), resulting in positive regulation of endochondral bone growth by promoting chondrocyte proliferation and differentiation. Voxzogo is the first FDA-approved treatment to increase linear bone growth in patients with ACH and is administered as a once-daily subcutaneous injection.

Due to the high cost and specific approved indications, MO HealthNet will impose clinical criteria to ensure appropriate utilization of Voxzogo.

Program-Specific Information:

Drug	Cost per vial (WAC)	Cost per month (WAC)	Cost per year (WAC)
VOXZOGO 0.4 MG VIAL			
VOXZOGO 0.56 MG VIAL	\$899.00	\$26,970.00	\$328,135.00
VOXZOGO 1.2 MG VIAL			

Type of Criteria:	☐ Increased risk of ADE☒ Appropriate Indications	☐ Preferred Drug List☑ Clinical Edit
Data Sources:	☐ Only Administrative Databases	☑ Databases + Prescriber-Supplied

Setting & Population

- Drug class for review: Voxzogo (vosoritide)
- Age range: All appropriate MO HealthNet participants aged 5 years and older

Approval Criteria

Initial Therapy

- Prescribed by or in consultation with a geneticist, skeletal dysplasia specialist, pediatric endocrinologist, or other specialist in the treated disease state AND
- Participant is aged 5 years or older AND
- Documented diagnosis of ACH confirmed by genetic testing AND
- Documented baseline average growth velocity (AGV) within last 90 days AND
- Male participants aged 15 years or older have recent confirmatory X-ray showing open epiphyses OR
- Female participants aged 13 years or older have recent confirmatory X-ray showing open epiphyses
- Initial approval for 1 year

Continuation of Therapy

- Documentation of increase in AGV ≥ 1.0 cm/year from baseline AND
- Male participants aged 15 years or older have recent confirmatory X-ray showing open epiphyses OR
- Female participants aged 13 years or older have recent confirmatory X-ray showing open epiphyses
- Continued approval for 1 year

Denial Criteria

- Therapy will be denied if all approval criteria are not met
- Participant has documented Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) Stage 3, 4, or 5 or End-Stage Renal Disease
- Participant is currently pregnant
- Claim exceeds 1 vial per day

Required Documentation								
Laboratory Results: MedWatch Form:		Progress Notes: Other:	х					

Disposition of Edit

Denial: Exception code "0682" (Clinical Edit)

Rule Type: CE

Default Approval Period

1 year

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