Executive Summary

Purpose: Ensure appropriate utilization and control of agents used for Pompe Disease.

Why Issue Selected: Pompe disease is a rare, genetic, lysosomal storage disease caused by a deficiency of the enzyme acid alpha-glucosidase (GAA), which is responsible for converting glycogen into glucose within the lysosomes. Deficiency of GAA results in lysosomal accumulation of glycogen in the skeletal, cardiac, and smooth muscles. Incidence is estimated at approximately 1 in 40,000 individuals in the United States. Pompe disease is classified as either infantile-onset (IOPD) or late-onset (LOPD). IOPD is characterized as complete or near-complete deficiency of GAA, while LOPD is characterized by partial deficiency of GAA. LOPD applies to all cases in which hypertrophic cardiomyopathy (HCM) did not manifest or was not diagnosed at or under 1 year of age, as well as all cases with symptom onset after 1 year of age. The American Association of Neuromuscular and Electrodiagnostic Medicine (AANEM) recommends Enzyme Replacement Therapy (ERT) at symptom onset and/or at onset of detectable proximal muscle weakness or reduced forced vital capacity (FVC) in either upright or supine position. Generally, after 1 year of ERT treatment patients should be reevaluated to determine whether ERT should be continued. There is currently no evidence to give preference to one ERT over another in the treatment of late-onset Pompe disease.

Approved by the FDA in May 2010, Lumizyme® (alglucosidase alfa) is indicated for patients with both infantile-onset and late-onset Pompe disease. Lumizyme is an exogenous source of GAA resulting in increased GAA enzymatic activity and glycogen cleavage. Treatment with Lumizyme is associated with prolonging life by improving cardiac, respiratory, and skeletal muscle function.

FDA approved in August 2021, Nexviazyme™ (avalglucosidase alfa-ngpt) is indicated for the treatment of patients 1 year of age and older with LOPD. Nexviazyme is an exogenous source of GAA and binds to M6P receptors on the cell surface, it is then internalized and transported into lysosomes where it undergoes proteolytic cleavage that results in increased GAA enzymatic activity and glycogen cleavage.

Due to the high cost and specific approved indications, MO HealthNet will impose clinical criteria to ensure appropriate utilization of agents for Pompe disease.
Program-Specific Information:

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\(^1\)Cost based on 70 kg patient dosed at 20 mg/kg every two weeks. In practice, 40 mg/kg weekly dosing is sometimes used resulting in a potential yearly cost of $2,521,850.24.

Type of Criteria:
- ☑ Increased risk of ADE
- ☑ Preferred Drug List
- ☑ Appropriate Indications
- ☑ Clinical Edit

Data Sources:
- ☑ Databases + Prescriber-Supplied
- ☑ Only Administrative Databases

Setting & Population

- Drug class for review: agents for Pompe disease
- Age range: All appropriate MO HealthNet participants

Approval Criteria

Initial Therapy:
- Prescribed by or in consultation with a neurologist, geneticist, or other specialist in the treated disease state AND
- Documented diagnosis of Pompe disease AND
- For Nexviazyme
  - Documented medical reason why participant cannot use Lumizyme AND
  - Participant aged ≥ 1 year AND
  - Diagnosis of late-onset Pompe Disease, as evidenced by the following:
    - Enzyme assay showing a deficiency of acid-alpha glucosidase (GAA) activity in the blood, skin, or muscle OR
    - Genetic testing showing a pathogenic variant of the GAA gene

Continuation of Therapy:
- Initial approval is for 1 year, renewal of prior authorization may be authorized if participant is compliant on current therapy regimen and documentation of benefit of therapy is received

Denial Criteria

- Therapy will be denied if all approval criteria are not met
- For Lumizyme: concomitant use of Nexviazyme
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Required Documentation

- Laboratory Results: 
- Progress Notes: 
- MedWatch Form: 
- Other: X
Disposition of Edit

Denial: Exception code “0682” (Clinical Edit)
Rule Type: CE

Default Approval Period

1 year

References