

Pharmacy Drug Policy & Procedure

Policy Name: Elaprase (idursulfase) Policy #: 2473P

Purpose of the Policy

The purpose of this policy is to establish the criteria for coverage of Elaprase.

Statement of the Policy

Health Alliance Medical Plans will approve the use of Elaprase under the Specialty Medical benefit when the following criteria have been met.

Criteria

1. Coverage Criteria for the Treatment of mucopolysaccharidosis type II (MPS type II)

- 1.1 Diagnosis of MPS type II (Hunter Syndrome)
- 1.2 Age 5 years or older
- 1.3 Prescribed by a geneticist (gene specialist)

2. Exclusion Criteria

2.1 Health Alliance does not cover Elaprase for pediatric patients between the ages of 16 months to 5 years because in clinical trials Elaprase did not show improvement in disease-related symptoms or long-term clinical result.

3. Approval Period

- 3.1 Initial: 12 months
- 3.2 Reauthorization: 12 months with documented clinical benefit from therapy

CPT Codes						
HCPCS Codes						
J1743		Injection, idursulfase, 1mg (Elaprase)				

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