

# **Pharmacy Drug Policy & Procedure**

Policy Name:	Empaveli (pegcetacoplan)	Policy#:	3101P

# **Purpose of the Policy**

The purpose of this policy is to define coverage criteria for Empaveli (pegcetacoplan)

## **Statement of the Policy**

Health Alliance Medical Plans will approve the use of Empaveli (pegcetacoplan) under the specialty pharmacy benefit if the following criteria are met.

#### Criteria

## 1. Coverage Criteria

- 1.1 Diagnosis of paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria (PNH)
- 1.2 Age 18 years or older
- 1.3 Prescribed by or with a hematologist (blood doctor), immunology specialist (immune system doctor), or oncologist (cancer doctor)
- 1.4 Documentation of meningococcal vaccine series OR will receive vaccine at least 2 weeks prior to first dose
- 1.5 Review of chart notes documenting diagnosis and confirming that the patient has met all of the above requirements for treatment with Empaveli by both a pharmacist and medical director

### 2. Approval Period

- 2.1 Initial: 12 months
- 2.2 Subsequent Approvals: 12 months documentation of positive clinical response to therapy (e.g., improvement in hemoglobin level, hemoglobin stabilization, decrease in the number of red blood cell transfusions)

<b>CPT Codes</b>		
HCPCS Codes		

#### References

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- 2. Wong RSM, Pullon HWH, Amine I, et al. Inhibition of C3 with pegcetacoplan results in normalization of hemolysis markers in paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria. Ann Hematol. 2022 Sep;101(9):1971-1986.

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