

Pharmacy Drug Policy & Procedure

Policy Name: Tepezza (teprotumumab) Policy #: 2755P	Policy Name:			2755P
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Purpose of the Policy

The purpose of this policy is to define the criteria for coverage of Tepezza.

Statement of the Policy

Health Alliance Medical Plans will approve the use of Tepezza under the specialty medical benefit or Medicare Part B when applicable when the following criteria have been met.

Criteria

1. Coverage Criteria

- 1.1 Documented diagnosis of Graves' Disease and documented active Graves' ophthalmopathy (thyroid eye disease) with ALL of the following:
 - Lid retraction of > 2mm
 - Moderate to severe soft tissue involvement
 - Proptosis (bulging eyes) \geq 3mm above normal values
- 1.2 Ordered by an endocrinologist (hormone doctor) or ophthalmologist (eye doctor)
- 1.3 Age 18 years or older
- 1.4 Documented lab results indicating that the patient is euthyroid (normal thyroid function)
 - Lab results documenting thyroxine and free triiodothyronine levels less than 50% above or below normal limits are also acceptable
- 1.5 Documented failure, intolerance, or contraindication to glucocorticoid therapy as described below:
 - Trial should be of either oral prednisone 30mg/day for four weeks or IV methylprednisolone 500mg once weekly for weeks 1 to 6, then 250mg once weekly for weeks 7 to 12 with a cumulative dose of 4.5 to 5 grams over 12 weeks
 - If initial oral dose is ineffective, higher doses may be required and a switch to the IV route should be made
- 1.6 Review of chart notes and labs documenting diagnosis and confirming that the patient has met all of the above requirements for treatment with Tepezza by both a pharmacist and medical director

2. Exclusion Criteria

2.1 Prior orbital decompression surgery

3. Approval Period

- 3.1 6 month lifetime approval with a maximum of 8 infusions
 - The recommended dose of Tepezza is 10mg/kg IV for the initial dose followed by 20mg/kg IV every three weeks for 7 additional infusions

CPT Codes				
HCPCS Codes				

References

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