

Pharmacy Drug Policy & Procedure

Policy Name: Beqvez (fidanacogene elaparvovec) Policy#: 3371P

Purpose of the Policy

The purpose of this policy is to define coverage criteria for Bequez (fidanacogene elaparvovec).

Statement of the Policy

Health Alliance Medical Plans will approve the use of Beqvez (fidanacogene elaparvovec) under the specialty medical benefit if the following criteria are met.

Criteria

1. Coverage Criteria for Hemophilia B

- 1.1 Males with diagnosis of moderate or severe hemophilia B
 - Diagnosis of moderate or severe hemophilia B defined as an inherited deficiency of factor IX with a factor IX activity level \(\leq 2\)% of normal (\(\leq 0.02 \) IU/dL)
- 1.2 Ages 18 years or older
- 1.3 Prescribed by or in consultation with a hematologist (blood disorder doctor) at a qualified hemophilia treatment center
- 1.4 Documentation of one of the following:
 - Current use of Factor IX prophylaxis therapy
 - Current or historical life-threatening hemorrhage
 - Repeated, serious spontaneous bleeding episodes
 - O Documentation must include number of bleeds within the year prior to request
- 1.5 Patient does not have neutralizing antibodies to adeno-associated virus serotype Rh74var (AAVRh74var) capsid as detected by an FDA-approved test
- 1.6 Review of chart notes and labs documenting diagnosis and confirming that patient has met all of the above requirements for treatment by both a pharmacist and medical director

2. Exclusion Criteria

- 2.1 Diagnosis of any other inherited or acquired hemophilia (ex: hemophilia A, hemophilia C, etc.)
- 2.2 Documented factor IX inhibitors
- 2.3 Previous treatment with any hemophilia B gene therapy

3. Approval Period

3.1 One-time approval per lifetime

CPT Codes	
HCPCS Codes	
J1414	Injection, fidanacogene elaparvovec-dzkt, per therapeutic dose

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