POLICY #

2685P

## Criteria

Coverage Criteria	
	Documented diagnosis of Mycobacterium avium complex (MAC) lung disease
	Sputum, or lung secretion, sample is positive for the infection
	Sputum samples are still positive after at least 6 months in a row of using multiple drugs for MAC lung disease
	<ul> <li>Examples are: clarithromycin (or azithromycin), rifampin, and ethambutol</li> </ul>
	Documentation that Arikayce will be used as part of a multi-drug regimen with the Lamira Nebulizer system
	Prescribed by or in consultation with a pulmonologist (lung doctor) or infectious disease specialist
Exclusion Criteria – Any of the following prevents coverage	
	Arikayce will not be covered for patients with non-refractory MAC lung disease
	<ul> <li>Amikacin oral inhalation has only been studied in patients with refractory MAC lung disease defined as patients who did not achieve negative sputum cultures after a minimum of 6 consecutive months of a multidrug background regimen therapy. The use of amikacin is not recommended for patients with non-refractory MAC lung disease.</li> </ul>
	Contraindicated in patients with a known hypersensitivity to any aminoglycoside