

Pharmacy Drug Policy & Procedure

Policy Name: Orkambi (lumacaftor/ivac	caftor)	Policy #:	2391P
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Purpose of the Policy

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

Statement of the Policy

Health Alliance Medical Plans will approve the use of Orkambi under the specialty pharmacy benefit when the following criteria have been met.

Criteria

1. Coverage Criteria

- 1.1 Age 1 year or older
- 1.2 Prescribed by a pulmonologist (lung doctor)
- 1.3 Documented diagnosis of cystic fibrosis
 - Must be homozygous for the F508del mutation
- 1.4 Review of chart notes documenting diagnosis and confirming that patient has met all of the above requirements for treatment with Orkambi by both a pharmacist and medical director

2. Approval Period

2.1 Initial Approval: 12 months2.2 Subsequent Approvals: 2 years

CPT Codes	
HODGG G	
HCPCS Codes	

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