

**POTASSIUM BINDERS****Lokelma (sodium zirconium cyclosilicate), Veltassa (patiromer)****Pre - PA Allowance**

None

**Prior-Approval Requirements**

**Age** Lokelma **only**: 18 years of age or older  
Veltassa **only**: 12 years of age or older

**Diagnosis**

Patient must have the following:

Hyperkalemia

**AND ALL** of the following:

1. Prescriber agrees to adjust the dose based on the serum potassium level
2. Prescriber agrees **NOT** to use this medication as emergency treatment for life-threatening hyperkalemia
3. Patients **WITHOUT** chronic kidney disease (CKD) **only**:
  - a. Patient has **ONE** of the following:
    - i. Patient is not taking a drug that can cause hyperkalemia (such as ACE inhibitor, ARB, aldosterone antagonist, or potassium-sparing diuretic)
    - ii. Patient is using the lowest effective dose of the drug(s) that can cause hyperkalemia **AND** there is no therapeutic alternative to the medication(s)
4. Inadequate treatment response, intolerance, or contraindication to a loop or thiazide diuretic
5. Patient is on a low potassium diet (2-3 grams per day)
6. **NO** dual therapy with another potassium binder

**Prior - Approval Limits****Quantity****Lokelma**

Strength	Quantity Limit
5 gram packet	270 packets per 90 days
10 gram packet	

**Veltassa**

**POTASSIUM BINDERS****Lokelma (sodium zirconium cyclosilicate), Veltassa (patiromer)**

Strength	Quantity Limit
1 gram packet	360 packets per 90 days <b>OR</b>
8.4 gram packet	270 packets per 90 days <b>OR</b>
16.8 gram packet	90 packets per 90 days <b>OR</b>
25.2 gram packet	90 packets per 90 days

**\*Maximum daily limit of any combination of Veltassa: 25.2 grams****Duration** 12 months

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**Prior – Approval *Renewal* Requirements**

**Age** Lokelma **only**: 18 years of age or older  
Veltassa **only**: 12 years of age or older

**Diagnosis**

Patient must have the following:

Hyperkalemia

**AND ALL** of the following:

1. Prescriber agrees to adjust the dose based on the serum potassium level
2. Prescriber agrees **NOT** to use this medication as emergency
3. Patients **WITHOUT** chronic kidney disease (CKD) **only**:
  - a. Patient has **ONE** of the following:
    - i. Patient is not taking a drug that can cause hyperkalemia (such as ACE inhibitor, ARB, aldosterone antagonist, or potassium-sparing diuretic)
    - ii. Patient is using the lowest effective dose of the drug(s) that can cause hyperkalemia **AND** there is no therapeutic alternative to the medication(s)
4. Patient is on a low potassium diet (2-3 grams per day)
5. **NO** dual therapy with another potassium binder

**Prior - Approval *Renewal* Limits**

Same as above



Federal Employee Program.

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