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**This document applies to the following**

Formulary	Applies
Standard Control (SF)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Standard Control Choice (SCCF)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Preferred Drug Plan Design (PDPD)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Advanced Control Specialty (ACSF)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Advanced Control Specialty Choice (ACSCF)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Managed Medicaid Template (MMT)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marketplace (MF)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Aetna Small Group Affordable Care Act (SG ACA)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Aetna Health Exchange (AHE)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Value (VF)	<input type="checkbox"/>

Formulary	Applies
New to Market (NTM)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Standard Formulary Chart (SFC)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Basic Control Chart Preferred Drug Plan Design (BCC PDPD)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Advanced Control Specialty Formulary Chart (ACSFC)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Value Formulary Chart (VFC)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Medical Benefit	<input type="checkbox"/>
Medical Benefit: Advanced Biosimilars First	<input type="checkbox"/>
Combined Benefit Management (CBM)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Combined Benefit Management Pharmacy (CBMP)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Medical Benefit Managed Medicaid (MMMB)	<input type="checkbox"/>

# Exceptions Criteria

## Tyrosine Kinase Inhibitors

This document informs prescribers of preferred products and provides an exception process for targeted products through prior authorization.

These criteria were developed to align with the following: Marketplace Formulary (MF).

### Plan Design Summary

This program applies to the tyrosine kinase inhibitor products specified in this document. Coverage for targeted products is provided based on clinical circumstances that would exclude the use of the preferred product and may be based on previous use of a product. The coverage review process will ascertain situations where a clinical exception can be made. This program applies to all members requesting treatment with the targeted product Danziten, Gleevec, Phyrago, Tassigna, and Sprycel. This program also applies to members who are new to treatment with the targeted products Bosulif and Imkeldi for the first time.

Each referral is reviewed based on all utilization management (UM) programs implemented for the client.

### Table. Tyrosine Kinase Inhibitors

Medications considered formulary or preferred on your plan may still require a clinical prior authorization review.

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	<b>Products</b>
Preferred	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• dasatinib (generic)</li> <li>• imatinib mesylate (generic)</li> <li>• nilotinib (generic)</li> <li>• Scemblix (asciminib)</li> </ul>
Target	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bosulif (bosutinib)</li> <li>• Danziten (nilotinib)</li> <li>• Gleevec (imatinib mesylate)</li> <li>• Imkeldi (imatinib)</li> <li>• Phyrago (dasatinib)</li> <li>• Sprycel (dasatinib)</li> <li>• Tassigna (nilotinib)</li> </ul>

## Exception Criteria

This program applies to members requesting treatment for an indication that is FDA-approved for the preferred product.

### Bosulif

Coverage for the targeted product is provided when any of the following criteria is met:

- Member is currently receiving treatment with the targeted product, excluding when the requested targeted product is obtained as samples or via manufacturer’s patient assistance programs.
- Member has a documented inadequate response, resistance, intolerable adverse event, or contraindication to prior therapy with at least three of the preferred products: dasatinib, imatinib, nilotinib, and Scemblix.
- Member has a documented inadequate response or resistance to primary treatment with dasatinib and has a documented intolerable adverse event or contraindication to therapy with nilotinib and Scemblix.
- Member has a documented inadequate response or resistance to primary treatment with Scemblix and has a documented intolerable adverse event or contraindication to therapy with dasatinib and nilotinib.
- Member has a documented inadequate response or resistance to primary treatment with nilotinib and has a documented intolerable adverse event or contraindication to therapy with dasatinib and Scemblix.

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## Danziten and Tassigna

Coverage for the targeted products is provided when all of the following criteria are met:

- Member has had a documented intolerable adverse event to generic nilotinib that was NOT an expected adverse event attributed to the active ingredient as described in the prescribing information (i.e., known adverse reaction for both the brand and generic medication).
- Any of the following criteria are met:
  - Member has a documented inadequate response, resistance, intolerable adverse event, or contraindication to prior therapy with the preferred products: imatinib, dasatinib, and Scemblix.
  - Member has a documented inadequate response or resistance to primary treatment with dasatinib and has a documented intolerable adverse event or contraindication to therapy with Scemblix.
  - Member has a documented inadequate response or resistance to primary treatment with Scemblix and has a documented intolerable adverse event or contraindication to therapy with dasatinib.
  - Member has a documented inadequate response or resistance to primary treatment with a second generation TKI and has a documented intolerable adverse event or contraindication to therapy with Scemblix and dasatinib.

## Imkeldi

Coverage for the targeted product is provided when any of the following criteria are met:

- Member is currently receiving treatment with the targeted product, excluding when the requested targeted product is obtained as samples or via manufacturer's patient assistance programs.
- The requested product is Imkeldi oral solution and the member is unable to swallow generic imatinib tablets.
- Member meets both of the following criteria:
  - Member has had a documented intolerable adverse event to generic imatinib that was NOT an expected adverse event attributed to the active ingredient as described in the prescribing information (i.e., known adverse reaction for both the brand and generic medication).
  - Member has a documented intolerable adverse event or contraindication to prior therapy with the other preferred products: dasatinib, nilotinib, and Scemblix.

## Gleevec

Coverage for the targeted product is provided when all of the following criteria are met:

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- Member has had a documented intolerable adverse event to generic imatinib that was NOT an expected adverse event attributed to the active ingredient as described in the prescribing information (i.e., known adverse reaction for both the brand and generic medication).
- Member has a documented intolerable adverse event or contraindication to prior therapy with the other preferred products: dasatinib, nilotinib, and Scemblix.

## Phyrago and Sprycel

Coverage for the targeted product is provided when all of the following criteria are met:

- Member has had a documented intolerable adverse event to generic dasatinib that was NOT an expected adverse event attributed to the active ingredient as described in the prescribing information (i.e., known adverse reaction for both the brand and generic medication).
- Any of the following criteria are met:
  - Member has a documented inadequate response, resistance, intolerable adverse event, or contraindication to prior therapy with the preferred products: imatinib, nilotinib, and Scemblix.
  - Member has a documented inadequate response or resistance to primary treatment with nilotinib and has a documented intolerable adverse event or contraindication to therapy with Scemblix.
  - Member has a documented inadequate response or resistance to primary treatment with Scemblix and has a documented intolerable adverse event or contraindication to therapy with nilotinib.
  - Member has a documented inadequate response or resistance to primary treatment with a second generation TKI and has a documented intolerable adverse event or contraindication to therapy with nilotinib and Scemblix.

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