

Reference number(s) 2560-A

# Specialty Guideline Management Tavalisse

### **Products Referenced by this Document**

Drugs that are listed in the following table include both brand and generic and all dosage forms and strengths unless otherwise stated. Over-the-counter (OTC) products are not included unless otherwise stated.

Brand Name	Generic Name
Tavalisse	fostamatinib disodium hexahydrate

### **Indications**

The indications below including FDA-approved indications and compendial uses are considered a covered benefit provided that all the approval criteria are met and the member has no exclusions to the prescribed therapy.

### FDA-approved Indication<sup>1</sup>

Treatment of thrombocytopenia in adult patients with chronic immune thrombocytopenia (ITP) who have had an insufficient response to a previous treatment.

All other indications are considered experimental/investigational and not medically necessary.

#### **Documentation**

Submission of the following information is necessary to initiate the prior authorization review:

#### Immune Thrombocytopenia:

- For initial requests: Untransfused platelet count
- For continuation requests: Current platelet count

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#### **Exclusions**

Coverage will not be provided when Tavalisse will be used concomitantly with thrombopoietin receptor agonists (e.g., Promacta, Alvaiz, Nplate, Doptelet, Mulpleta).

# **Prescriber Specialties**

This medication must be prescribed by or in consultation with a hematologist or oncologist.

## **Coverage Criteria**

### Immune Thrombocytopenia (ITP)<sup>1-5</sup>

Authorization of 12 weeks may be granted to members with ITP who meet both of the following criteria:

- Member has had an inadequate response or intolerance to prior therapy (e.g., corticosteroids, immunoglobulins).
- Member has an untransfused platelet count at any point prior to the initiation of the requested medication of either of the following:
  - Less than 30x10<sup>9</sup>/L
  - 30x10<sup>9</sup>/L to 50x10<sup>9</sup>/L with symptomatic bleeding (e.g., significant mucous membrane bleeding, gastrointestinal bleeding or trauma) or risk factors for bleeding (see Appendix)

### **Continuation of Therapy**

### Immune Thrombocytopenia (ITP)<sup>1-5</sup>

- Authorization of up to 12 weeks may be granted to members with current platelet count less than 50x10<sup>9</sup>/L for whom the platelet count is not sufficient to prevent clinically important bleeding and who have not received the requested drug for at least 12 weeks.
- Authorization of 12 months may be granted to members with current platelet count less than 50x10<sup>9</sup>/L for whom the current platelet count is sufficient to prevent clinically important bleeding.
- Authorization of 12 months may be granted to members with current platelet count of 50x10<sup>9</sup>/L to 200x10<sup>9</sup>/L.
- Authorization of 12 months may be granted to members with current platelet count greater than 200x10<sup>9</sup>/L to less than or equal to 400x10<sup>9</sup>/L for whom Tavalisse dosing will be adjusted to achieve a platelet count sufficient to avoid clinically important bleeding.

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# **Appendix**

### Examples of Risk Factors for Bleeding (not all inclusive)3,4

- Undergoing a medical or dental procedure where blood loss is anticipated
- Comorbidities for bleeding (e.g., peptic ulcer disease)
- Mandated anticoagulation therapy
- Profession (e.g., construction worker) or lifestyle (e.g., plays contact sports) that predisposes
  patient to trauma

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