# SPECIALTY GUIDELINE MANAGEMENT

# WAINUA (eplontersen)

#### **POLICY**

## I. 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**

Wainua is indicated for the treatment of the polyneuropathy of hereditary transthyretin-mediated amyloidosis in adults.

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

#### II. DOCUMENTATION

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

- A. Initial requests:
  - 1. Testing or analysis confirming a mutation in the TTR gene.
  - 2. Medical record documentation confirming the member demonstrates signs and symptoms of polyneuropathy.
- B. Continuation of therapy requests: Chart notes or medical record documentation supporting clinical benefit of therapy compared to baseline.

#### III. PRESCRIBER SPECIALTIES

This medication must be prescribed by or in consultation with a neurologist, geneticist, or physician specializing in the treatment of amyloidosis.

## IV. CRITERIA FOR INITIAL APPROVAL

#### Polyneuropathy of Hereditary Transthyretin-mediated Amyloidosis

Authorization of 12 months may be granted for the treatment of polyneuropathy of hereditary transthyretin-mediated amyloidosis (also called transthyretin-type familial amyloid polyneuropathy [ATTR-FAP]) when all of the following criteria are met:

- A. The diagnosis is confirmed by detection of a mutation in the TTR gene.
- B. Member exhibits clinical manifestations of ATTR-FAP (e.g., amyloid deposition in biopsy specimens, TTR protein variants in serum, progressive peripheral sensory-motor polyneuropathy).
- C. Member is not a liver transplant recipient.
- D. The requested medication will not be used in combination with any other medication approved for the treatment of hereditary transthyretin-mediated amyloidosis (e.g., Amvuttra, Onpattro, Tegsedi, Vyndaqel, Vyndamax).

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#### V. CONTINUATION OF THERAPY

Authorization of 12 months may be granted for continued treatment in members requesting reauthorization for an indication listed in Section IV when all of the following criteria are met:

- A. Member must have met all initial authorization criteria.
- B. Member must have demonstrated a beneficial response to treatment with the requested medication compared to baseline (e.g., improvement of neuropathy severity and rate of disease progression as demonstrated by the modified Neuropathy Impairment Scale+7 (mNIS+7) composite score, the Norfolk Quality of Life-Diabetic Neuropathy (QoL-DN) total score, polyneuropathy disability (PND) score, FAP disease stage, manual grip strength).

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