

**Clinical Policy: Lumasiran (Oxlumo)**

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**Description**

Lumasiran (Oxlumo<sup>®</sup>) is an RNAi therapeutic targeting glycolate oxidase (GO).

**FDA Approved Indication(s)**

Oxlumo is indicated for the treatment of primary hyperoxaluria type 1 (PH1) to lower urinary and plasma oxalate levels in pediatric and adult patients.

**Policy/Criteria**

*Provider must submit documentation (such as office chart notes, lab results or other clinical information) supporting that member has met all approval criteria.*

It is the policy of health plans affiliated with Centene Corporation<sup>®</sup> that Oxlumo is **medically necessary** when the following criteria are met:

**I. Initial Approval Criteria****A. Primary Hyperoxaluria Type 1 (must meet all):**

1. Diagnosis of PH type 1 confirmed by one of the following (a or b):
  - a. Genetic testing confirming presence of mutations in the *AGXT* gene;
  - b. Liver biopsy confirming AGT enzyme deficiency;
2. Prescribed by or in consultation with an endocrinologist, hepatologist, or nephrologist;
3. Documentation of one of the following (a, b, or c):
  - a. Urinary oxalate (UOx) excretion > 0.70 mmol/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>/24 h, confirmed on repeat testing;
  - b. Spot urinary oxalate-to-creatinine (UOx:Cr) molar ratio greater than normal for age (*see Appendix D for reference ranges*), confirmed on repeat testing;
  - c. Plasma oxalate (POx) levels ≥ 20 μmol/L;
4. Failure to achieve normalization of UOx excretion levels after at least three months of pyridoxine (vitamin B6) at up to maximally indicated doses, unless contraindicated or clinically significant adverse effects are experienced;  
*\*Normal UOx excretion is < 0.50 mmol (< 45 mg)/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>/day, or see Appendix D for reference ranges for age-specific spot UOx:Cr molar ratios.*
5. Member has not had a liver transplant;
6. If on dialysis, member is on hemodialysis only for at least 4 weeks;
7. Documentation of member's current body weight (in kg);
8. Dose does not exceed any of the following, based on body weight (a, b, or c):
  - a. < 10 kg: 6 mg/kg per month for 3 doses followed by 3 mg/kg per month;

- b. 10 kg to < 20 kg: 6 mg/kg per month for 3 doses followed by 6 mg/kg every 3 months;
- c. ≥ 20 kg: 3 mg/kg per month for 3 doses followed by 3 mg/kg every 3 months.

**Approval duration:**

**Medicaid/HIM** – 6 months

**Commercial** – 6 months or duration of request, whichever is less

**B. Other diagnoses/indications (must meet 1 or 2):**

- 1. If this drug has recently (within the last 6 months) undergone a label change (e.g., newly approved indication, age expansion, new dosing regimen) that is not yet reflected in this policy, refer to one of the following policies (a or b):
  - a. For drugs on the formulary (commercial, health insurance marketplace) or PDL (Medicaid), the no coverage criteria policy for the relevant line of business: CP.CPA.190 for commercial, HIM.PA.33 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.255 for Medicaid; or
  - b. For drugs NOT on the formulary (commercial, health insurance marketplace) or PDL (Medicaid), the non-formulary policy for the relevant line of business: CP.CPA.190 for commercial, HIM.PA.103 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.16 for Medicaid; or
- 2. If the requested use (e.g., diagnosis, age, dosing regimen) is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized) AND criterion 1 above does not apply, refer to the off-label use policy for the relevant line of business: CP.CPA.09 for commercial, HIM.PA.154 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.53 for Medicaid.

**II. Continued Therapy**

**A. Primary Hyperoxaluria Type 1 (must meet all):**

- 1. Member meets one of the following (a or b):
  - a. Currently receiving medication via Centene benefit or member has previously met initial approval criteria;
  - b. Member is currently receiving medication and is enrolled in a state and product with continuity of care regulations (*refer to state specific addendums for CC.PHARM.03A and CC.PHARM.03B*);
- 2. Member is responding positively to therapy as evidenced by one of the following (a or b):
  - a. Decrease from baseline in UOx excretion of > 30%;
  - b. Decrease from baseline in UOx excretion or plasma oxalate levels or improvement in spot UOx:Cr molar ratio, along with improvement in PH1 symptoms (e.g., nephrolithiasis, nephrocalcinosis, kidney function, ischemic skin ulcers, metabolic bone disease, refractory anemia, cardiomyopathy, abnormalities in cardiac conduction);
- 3. Member has not had a liver transplant;
- 4. Documentation of member's current body weight (in kg);
- 5. If request is for a dose increase, new dose does not exceed any of the following, based on body weight (a, b, or c):
  - a. < 10 kg: 3 mg/kg per month;

- b. 10 kg to < 20 kg: 6 mg/kg every 3 months;
- c. ≥ 20 kg: 3 mg/kg every 3 months.

**Approval duration:**

**Medicaid/HIM** – 12 months

**Commercial** – 6 months or duration of request, whichever is less

**B. Other diagnoses/indications (must meet 1 or 2):**

1. If this drug has recently (within the last 6 months) undergone a label change (e.g., newly approved indication, age expansion, new dosing regimen) that is not yet reflected in this policy, refer to one of the following policies (a or b):
  - a. For drugs on the formulary (commercial, health insurance marketplace) or PDL (Medicaid), the no coverage criteria policy for the relevant line of business: CP.CPA.190 for commercial, HIM.PA.33 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.255 for Medicaid; or
  - b. For drugs NOT on the formulary (commercial, health insurance marketplace) or PDL (Medicaid), the non-formulary policy for the relevant line of business: CP.CPA.190 for commercial, HIM.PA.103 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.16 for Medicaid; or
2. If the requested use (e.g., diagnosis, age, dosing regimen) is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized) AND criterion 1 above does not apply, refer to the off-label use policy for the relevant line of business: CP.CPA.09 for commercial, HIM.PA.154 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.53 for Medicaid.

**III. Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized:**

- A. Non-FDA approved indications, which are not addressed in this policy, unless there is sufficient documentation of efficacy and safety according to the off label use policies – CP.CPA.09 for commercial, HIM.PA.154 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.53 for Medicaid, or evidence of coverage documents.

**IV. Appendices/General Information**

*Appendix A: Abbreviation/Acronym Key*

eGFR: estimated glomerular filtration rate	RNAi: RNA interference
FDA: Food and Drug Administration	UOx: urinary oxalate
GO: glycolate oxidase	UOx:Cr: urinary oxalate-to-creatinine
PH1: primary hyperoxaluria type 1	
POx: plasma oxalate	

*Appendix B: Therapeutic Alternatives*

*This table provides a listing of preferred alternative therapy recommended in the approval criteria. The drugs listed here may not be a formulary agent for all relevant lines of business and may require prior authorization.*

Drug Name	Dosing Regimen	Dose Limit/ Maximum Dose
pyridoxine	5-20 mg/kg PO QD	20 mg/kg/day

Therapeutic alternatives are listed as Brand name<sup>®</sup> (generic) when the drug is available by brand name only and generic (Brand name<sup>®</sup>) when the drug is available by both brand and generic.

*Appendix C: Contraindications/Boxed Warnings*

None reported

*Appendix D: Spot UOx/Cr Molar Ratio Reference Ranges in Spot Urine Samples*

Age	Normal Values
0-6 months	< 325-360 mmol/mol (< 253-282 mg/g)
7-24 months	< 132-174 mmol/mol (< 103-136 mg/g)
2-5 years	< 98-101 mmol/mol (< 76-79 mg/g)
5-14 years	< 70-82 mmol/mol (< 55-64 mg/g)
> 16 years	< 40 mmol/mol (< 32 mg/g)

**V. Dosage and Administration**

Indication	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose
PH1	<p>If weight is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>&lt; 10 kg: 6 mg/kg/month SC for 3 doses followed by 3 mg/kg/month SC;</li> <li>10 kg to &lt; 20 kg: 6 mg/kg/month SC for 3 doses followed by 6 mg/kg SC every 3 months;</li> <li>≥ 20 kg: 3 mg/kg/month SC for 3 doses followed by 3 mg/kg SC every 3 months</li> </ul>	<p>If weight is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>&lt; 10 kg: 3 mg/kg/month;</li> <li>10 kg to &lt; 20 kg: 6 mg/kg every 3 months;</li> <li>≥ 20 kg: 3 mg/kg every 3 months</li> </ul>

**VI. Product Availability**

Solution in single-dose vial: 94.5 mg/0.5 mL

**VII. References**

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**Coding Implications**

Codes referenced in this clinical policy are for informational purposes only. Inclusion or exclusion of any codes does not guarantee coverage. Providers should reference the most up-to-date sources of professional coding guidance prior to the submission of claims for reimbursement of covered services.

HCPCS Codes	Description
J0224	Injection, lumasiran, 0.5 mg

Reviews, Revisions, and Approvals	Date	P&T Approval Date
Policy created pre-emptively	03.03.20	05.20
Drug is now FDA approved – criteria updated per FDA labeling: added hepatologist and nephrologist specialists; added spot UOx/Cr molar ratio as an additional option for biochemical confirmation of PH1 diagnosis; added requirement for no prior liver transplant; added requirement for documentation of current weight in kg; added ability to reauthorize based on improvements in symptoms; updated reference for HIM off-label use to HIM.PA.154 (replaces HIM.PHAR.21); references reviewed and updated.	01.05.21	02.21
Revised requirement for a minimum response to pyridoxine treatment from “> 30% reduction in UOx excretion” to “normalization of UOx excretion levels”; for reauthorization added improvement in spot UOx:Cr molar ratio along with symptomatic improvement as a pathway for reauthorization; references reviewed and updated.	06.06.21	08.21
1Q 2022 annual review: no significant changes; references reviewed and updated.	11.19.21	02.22
Template changes applied to other diagnoses/indications and continued therapy section.	09.28.22	
1Q 2023 annual review: HCPCS code updated; no significant changes; references reviewed and updated. RT4: added new indication of lowering of plasma oxalate levels in PH1; removal of eGFR requirement, added ability to use plasma oxalate (POx) levels $\geq 20 \mu\text{mol/L}$ as documentation, and if on dialysis member is on hemodialysis only for at least 4 weeks based on study population characteristics in ILLUMINATE-C trial.	11.15.22	02.23
1Q 2024 annual review: for Commercial line of business changed approval duration to “6 months or duration of request, whichever is less;”, for reauthorization added decrease from baseline in POx levels along with symptomatic improvement as a pathway for reauthorization; references reviewed and updated.	10.13.23	02.24

**Important Reminder**

This clinical policy has been developed by appropriately experienced and licensed health care professionals based on a review and consideration of currently available generally accepted standards of medical practice; peer-reviewed medical literature; government agency/program approval status; evidence-based guidelines and positions of leading national health professional organizations; views of physicians practicing in relevant clinical areas affected by this clinical policy; and other available clinical information. The Health Plan makes no representations and accepts no liability with respect to the content of any external information used or relied upon in developing this clinical policy. This clinical policy is consistent with standards of medical practice current at the time that this clinical policy was approved. “Health Plan” means a health plan that has adopted this clinical policy and that is operated or administered, in whole or in part, by Centene Management Company, LLC, or any of such health plan’s affiliates, as applicable.

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