

Clinical Policy: Enzalutamide (Xtandi)

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Description

Enzalutamide (Xtandi®) is an androgen receptor inhibitor.

FDA Approved Indication(s)

Xtandi is indicated for the treatment of patients with metastatic castration-resistant prostate cancer.

Policy/Criteria

Provider must submit documentation (which may include office chart notes and lab results) supporting that member has met all approval criteria

It is the policy of health plans affiliated with Centene Corporation® that Xtandi is **medically necessary** when the following criteria are met:

I. Initial Approval Criteria**A. Prostate Cancer** (must meet all):

1. Diagnosis of prostate cancer;
2. Age \geq 18 years;
3. Member meets one of the following (a or b):
 - a. FDA approved use: metastatic castration-resistant disease as evidenced by disease progression despite androgen deprivation therapy (ADT)*;
 - b. Off-label NCCN recommended use: progressive** (with or without metastases) castration-naïve⁺ disease in combination with an luteinizing hormone-releasing hormone (LHRH) agonist;
4. Prescribed dose does not exceed 160 mg per day (4 capsules per day). If used concomitantly with a strong CYP3A4 inducer (e.g., phenytoin, carbamazepine, rifampin, rifabutin, rifapentine, phenobarbital), dose should not exceed 240 mg per day (6 capsules per day).

Approval duration: 6 months

**ADT can be accomplished using bilateral orchiectomy (surgical castration) or -LHRH, also known as gonadotropin-releasing hormone or GnRH agonist or antagonist (medical castration). LHRH agonists include goserelin, histrelin, leuprolide, and triptorelin. LHRH antagonist includes degarelix*

*** Criteria for progression are not well defined and require physician judgment; however, a change in risk group strongly implies disease progression*

⁺Castration-naïve is used to define patients who are not on ADT at the time of progression. The NCCN Prostate Cancer Panel uses the term "castration-naïve" even when patients have had neoadjuvant, concurrent, or adjuvant ADT as part of radiation therapy provided they have recovered testicular function

B. Other diagnoses/indications

1. Refer to CP.PHAR.57 if diagnosis is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized).

II. Continued Therapy

A. Prostate Cancer (must meet all):

1. Currently receiving medication via Centene benefit or member has previously met all initial approval criteria;
2. Documentation of positive response to therapy (e.g., no disease progression or unacceptable toxicity).
3. Prescribed dose does not exceed 160 mg per day (4 capsules per day). If used concomitantly with a strong CYP3A4 inducer (e.g., phenytoin, carbamazepine, rifampin, rifabutin, rifapentine, phenobarbital), dose should not exceed 240 mg per day (6 capsules per day).

Approval duration: 12 months

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

1. Currently receiving medication via Centene benefit and documentation supports positive response to therapy.

Approval duration: Duration of request or 6 months (whichever is less); or

2. Refer to CP.PHAR.57 if diagnosis is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized).

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 policy – CP.PHAR.57 or evidence of coverage documents.

IV. Appendices/General Information

Appendix A: Abbreviation/Acronym Key

ADT: androgen deprivation therapy

LHRH: luteinizing hormone-releasing hormone

GnRH: gonadotropin-releasing hormone

V. Dosage and Administration

Indication	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose
Metastatic castration-resistant prostate cancer	160 mg (four 40 mg capsules) administered orally once daily.	160 mg/day; 240 mg/day if taking a strong CYP3A4 inducer.

VI. Product Availability

Capsules: 40 mg

VII. References

1. Xtandi Prescribing Information. Northbrook, IL: Astellas Pharma US.; October 2016. Available at: <https://www.xtandi.com/>. Accessed April 6, 2017.

2. Enzalutamide. In: National Comprehensive Cancer Network Drugs and Biologics Compendium. Available at www.NCCN.org. Accessed August 8, 2016.
3. National Comprehensive Cancer Network. Prostate Cancer Version 02.2017. Available at: https://www.nccn.org/professionals/physician_gls/pdf/prostate.pdf. Accessed April 7, 2017.

Reviews, Revisions, and Approvals	Date	Approval Date
Updated background information	10.13	11.13
Yes/No decision points were incorrect following disease progression question. Redirected correctly	05.14	
Updated background information and safety and efficacy information Added seizure question to algorithm Removed “through a Centene benefit” from current treatment time	09.14	11.14
Converted policy to bullet format and new template In criteria: eliminated documentation requests, added age requirement, added questions about Xtandi contraindications and expanded reasons to discontinue per PI deleted reference to an appendix in disease progression question, removed question about whether would be used as monotherapy, added initial approval period of 3 months and kept 6 months for continuation approval period	09.15	11.15
Removed question related to Xtandi use as a monotherapy. Approval duration modified to 6 months for initial and 12 months for continued therapy. Added requirement for to max dose. Defined castration resistant prostate cancer. Updated reasons to discontinue per PI.	10.16	11.16
Initial: clarified ADT; added max dose for concomitant use with a strong CYP3A4 inducer for FDA approved used; added NCCN recommended use; re-auth: added efficacy criterion requiring documentation of positive response to therapy. Safety criteria was applied according to the safety guidance discussed at CPAC and endorsed by Centene Medical Affairs.	09.17	11.17

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