

<b>Policy Title:</b>	Ocrevus (ocrelizumab) (Intravenous)		
		<b>Department:</b>	PHA
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**Purpose:** To support safe, effective and appropriate use of Ocrevus (ocrelizumab) in the treatment of Multiple Sclerosis.

**Scope:** Medicaid, Exchange, Medicare-Medicaid Plan (MMP)

### Policy Statement:

Ocrevus (ocrelizumab) is covered under the medical benefit when used within the following guidelines. Use outside of these guidelines may result in non-payment unless approved under an exception process.

### Procedure:

Coverage of Ocrevus (ocrelizumab) will be reviewed prospectively via the prior authorization process based on criteria below.

#### *Initial Criteria :*

- Patient is at least 18 years of age; and
- Patient is diagnosed with primary progressive multiple sclerosis (PPMS) or relapsing form of multiple sclerosis as documented by laboratory report (i.e. MRI); and
- Must be prescribed by a neurologist; and
- Will be used as single agent therapy; and
- For members with relapsing forms of multiple sclerosis, they will need to provide documentation of one of the following:
  - The Member is newly diagnosed with relapsing multiple sclerosis
  - The Member's current or previous disease modifying therapy does not adequately control the disease as evidenced by disease progression or the member is experiencing intolerable adverse events.
- Initial dose does not exceed 300mg (300 billable units) initially followed two weeks later by a second dose of 300 mg (300 billable units)
- Maintenance dose does not exceed 600mg (600 billable units) every 6 months

***Continuation of therapy criteria :***

- Patient diagnosed with PPMS:
  - Patient has not received a dose of ocrelizumab within the past 5 months
  - Patient is tolerating treatment with ocrelizumab
  - Patient has experienced a slowing of disease worsening (eg, no decline in Expanded Disability Status Score [EDSS] or MRI findings) since initiating therapy.
- Patient diagnosed with a relapsing form of MS:
  - Patient has not received a dose of ocrelizumab within the past 5 months
  - Patient is tolerating treatment with ocrelizumab
  - Patient has experienced disease improvement or slowing of disease worsening (eg, no decline in Expanded Disability Status Score [EDSS] or MRI findings) since initiating therapy.

**Coverage durations:**

- Initial coverage criteria = 6 months
- Continuation of therapy = 12 months

\*\*\* Requests will also be reviewed to National Coverage Determination (NCD) and Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs) if applicable. \*\*\*

**Dosage/Administration:**

Indication	Dose	Maximum dose (1 billable unit = 1 mg)
Multiple Sclerosis	<p>Initial dose:</p> <p>300 mg intravenous infusion, followed two weeks later by a second 300 mg IV infusion</p> <p>Subsequent doses:</p> <p>600 mg IV infusion every 6 months</p> <p>Administer first subsequent dose 6 months after infusion of the initial dose</p>	<p>Initial dose:</p> <p>300 billable units (mg) on day 1 and day 15</p> <p>Subsequent doses:</p> <p>600 billable units (mg) every 6 months</p>

**Investigational use:** All therapies are considered investigational when used at a dose or for a condition other than those that are recognized as medically accepted indications as defined in any one of the following standard reference compendia: American Hospital Formulary Service Drug information

(AHFS-DI), Thomson Micromedex DrugDex, Clinical Pharmacology, Wolters Kluwer Lexi-Drugs, or Peer-reviewed published medical literature indicating that sufficient evidence exists to support use. Neighborhood does not provide coverage for drugs when used for investigational purposes.

### Applicable Codes:

Below is a list of billing codes applicable to covered treatment options for multiple sclerosis. The below tables are provided for reference purposes and may not be all inclusive. Requests received with codes from tables below do not guarantee coverage. Requests must meet all criteria are provided in the procedure section.

### Codes:

The following HCPCS/CPT codes are:

HCPCS/CPT Code	Description
J2350	Injection, ocrelizumab, 1mg

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