

Drug Policy:

Ibrance™ (palbociclib))

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URAC STANDARDS HUM 1	NCQA STANDARDS UM 2	ADDITIONAL AREAS OF IMPACT	
CMS REQUIREMENTS	STATE/FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS	APPLICABLE LINES OF BUSINESS Commercial, Exchange, Medicaid	

I. PURPOSE

To define and describe the accepted indications for Ibrance (palbociclib) usage in the treatment of cancer, including FDA approved indications, and off-label indications.

New Century Health (NCH) is responsible for processing all medication requests from network ordering providers. Medications not authorized by NCH may be deemed as not approvable and therefore not reimbursable.

The use of this drug must be supported by one of the following: FDA approved product labeling, CMS-approved compendia, National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN), American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) clinical guidelines, or peer-reviewed literature that meets the requirements of the CMS Medicare Benefit Policy Manual Chapter 15.

II. INDICATIONS FOR USE/INCLUSION CRITERIA

A. PREFERRED MEDICATION GUIDANCE FOR INITIAL REQUEST:

1. When health plan Medicaid coverage provisions—including any applicable PDLs (Preferred Drug Lists)—conflict with the coverage provisions in this drug policy, health plan Medicaid coverage provisions take precedence per the [Preferred Drug Guidelines OR](#)
2. When health plan Exchange coverage provisions—including any applicable PDLs (Preferred Drug Lists)—conflict with the coverage provisions in this drug policy, health plan Exchange coverage provisions take precedence per the [Preferred Drug Guidelines OR](#)

3. For Health Plans that utilize NCH UM Oncology Clinical Policies as the initial clinical criteria, the [Preferred Drug Guidelines](#) shall follow [NCH L1 Pathways](#) when applicable, otherwise shall follow NCH drug policies **AND**
4. Continuation requests of previously approved, non-preferred medication are not subject to this provision **AND**
5. When available, generic alternatives are preferred over brand-name drugs.

B. Breast Cancer

1. **Note:** Per NCH policies and NCH L1 Pathways, Verzenio (abemaciclib)/Kisqali (ribociclib) are the preferred CDK4/6 inhibitors for postmenopausal women or premenopausal woman treated with ovariectomy/ablation/suppression with advanced/metastatic breast cancer in the following settings. *Please refer to UM [ONC_1328](#) for Verzenio™ (abemaciclib) and UM [ONC_1310](#) for Kisqali™ (ribociclib) policies:*
 - a. In combination with an aromatase inhibitor as first line therapy **OR**
 - b. In combination with fulvestrant or as a single agent as subsequent therapy.
2. The member has recurrent or metastatic breast cancer and Ibrance (palbociclib) is being used for **ALL** of the following:
 - a. Member has ER/PR positive and HER2 negative breast cancer
 - b. Member is a postmenopausal woman, **OR**, a premenopausal woman receiving concurrent ovarian ablation/suppression, **OR** a male with breast cancer **AND**
3. Ibrance (palbociclib) is being used in combination with aromatase inhibitor **OR** in combination with Faslodex (fulvestrant).

III. EXCLUSION CRITERIA

- A. Disease progression while taking Ibrance (palbociclib) **OR** another CDK4/6 inhibitor (e.g. Ribociclib or Abemaciclib).
- B. Dosing exceeds single dose limit of Ibrance (palbociclib) 125 mg.
- C. Treatment exceeds the maximum limit of 21 (125 mg, 100 mg, or 75 mg) tablets/month.
- D. Indications not supported by CMS recognized compendia or acceptable peer reviewed literature. reimbursable.

IV. MEDICATION MANAGEMENT

- A. Please refer to the FDA label/package insert for details regarding these topics.

V. APPROVAL AUTHORITY

- A. Review – Utilization Management Department
- B. Final Approval – Utilization Management Committee

VI. ATTACHMENTS

- A. None

VII. REFERENCES

- A. Ibrance prescribing information. Pfizer Laboratories Div Pfizer, Inc . NY, NY. 2019.

- B. Clinical Pharmacology Elsevier Gold Standard. 2020.
- C. Micromedex® Healthcare Series: Thomson Micromedex, Greenwood Village, Co. 2020.
- D. National Comprehensive Cancer Network. Cancer Guidelines and Drugs and Biologics Compendium. 2020.
- E. AHFS Drug Information. American Society of Health-Systems Pharmacists or Wolters Kluwer Lexi-Drugs. Bethesda, MD. 2020.