

POLICY NUMBER UM_ONC_1382	SUBJECT Soliris™ (eculizumab)	DEPT/PROGRAM UM Dept	PAGE 1 OF 3
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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 Soliris (eculizumab) usage in the treatment of cancer, including FDA approved indications, and off-label indications.

New Century is responsible for processing all medication requests from network ordering providers. Medications not authorized by New Century 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

1. PREFERRED MEDICATION GUIDANCE FOR INITIAL REQUEST:

- 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**
- 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**
- 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: <http://pathways.newcenturyhealth.com> **AND**
- Continuation requests of previously approved non-preferred medication are not subject to this provision **AND**
- When available, generic alternatives are preferred over brand-name drugs.

2. Paroxysmal Nocturnal Hemoglobinuria (PNH)

- The member has hemolytic paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria (PNH) and Soliris (eculizumab) is being used for **ALL** of the following conditions:
 - The member required no more than 3 blood transfusions within the past 12 months
 - Lactate dehydrogenase (LDH) >1.5 x upper limit of normal
 - Hemoglobin level < 10 gm/dl within the last 4 weeks (for initial and continuation requests)



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- iv. Unless contraindications or intolerance exist, the member has prior treatment with Ultomiris (ravulizumab).

3. Atypical Hemolytic Uremic Syndrome (aHUS)

- a. The member has aHUS and Soliris (eculizumab) is being for **ALL** of the following conditions
 - i. The member is refractory to at least 4 plasma therapy treatments **AND**
 - ii. Has a platelet count $\leq 100 \times 10^9/L$ **AND**
 - iii. Lactate dehydrogenase (LDH) level \geq ULN **AND**
 - iv. Creatinine level \geq ULN **AND**
 - v. Unless contraindications or intolerance exist, the member has prior treatment with Ultomiris (ravulizumab).

III. EXCLUSION CRITERIA

1. Soliris (eculizumab) is being used after disease progression with the same regimen or other anti-complement therapies (e.g. ravulizumab).
2. Soliris (eculizumab) is not indicated for the treatment of patients with Shiga toxin E. coli-related hemolytic-uremic syndrome (STEC-HUS) or thrombotic thrombocytopenia purpura (TTP), defined as ADAMTS-13 activity $<5\%$.
3. Soliris (eculizumab) is being used for the acute correction of anemia or as a substitute for RBC transfusions.
4. The member did not receive meningococcal vaccination, antibiotic prophylaxis, and iron supplementation.
5. The member has active infections, history of meningococcal infections, or prior history of bone marrow transplantation.
6. The member has HUS related to any of the following:
 - a. Drug induced HUS
 - b. HUS related to bone marrow transplant
 - c. HUS related to vitamin B12 deficiency
 - d. Infection-related HUS.
7. Dosing exceeds single dose limit of Soliris (eculizumab) 900 mg for PNH and 1,200 mg for aHUS.
8. Indications not supported by CMS recognized compendia or acceptable peer reviewed literature.

IV. MEDICATION MANAGEMENT

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

V. APPROVAL AUTHORITY

1. Review – Utilization Management Department
2. Final Approval – Utilization Management Committee

VI. ATTACHMENTS

None

VII. REFERENCES



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