

SPECIALTY GUIDELINE MANAGEMENT

JAKAFI (ruxolitinib)

POLICY

I. INDICATIONS

The indications below including FDA-approved indications and compendial uses are considered a covered benefit provided that all the approval criteria are met and the member has no exclusions to the prescribed therapy.

A. FDA-Approved Indications

1. Jakafi is indicated for treatment of patients with intermediate or high-risk myelofibrosis, including primary myelofibrosis, post-polycythemia vera myelofibrosis and post-essential thrombocythemia myelofibrosis.
2. Jakafi is indicated for treatment of patients with polycythemia vera who have had an inadequate response to or are intolerant of hydroxyurea.

B. Compendial Uses

1. Symptomatic low-risk or intermediate-risk 1 myelofibrosis
2. Accelerated phase or blast phase myelofibrosis
3. Polycythemia vera in patients with inadequate response or loss of response to interferon therapy

All other indications are considered experimental/investigational and are not a covered benefit.

II. CRITERIA FOR INITIAL APPROVAL

A. **Myelofibrosis**

Authorization of 12 months may be granted for the treatment of myelofibrosis.

B. **Polycythemia Vera**

Authorization of 12 months may be granted for the treatment of polycythemia vera to members who have had an inadequate response or intolerance to hydroxyurea or interferon therapy (ie, interferon alfa-2b, peginterferon alfa-2a, or peginterferon alfa-2b).

III. CONTINUATION OF THERAPY

All members (including new members) requesting authorization for continuation of therapy must meet all initial authorization criteria.

IV. REFERENCES

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