

Veopoz® (pozelimab-bbfg) (Intravenous/Subcutaneous)

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I. Length of Authorization

- Initial: Prior authorization validity will be provided initially for 12 months.
- Renewal: Prior authorization validity may be renewed every 12 months thereafter.

II. Dosing Limits

Max Units (per dose and over time) [HCPCS Unit]:

- Loading Dose: 3200 billable units on day 1
- Maintenance Dose: Beginning on day 8, 3200 billable units every 28 days

III. Initial Approval Criteria ¹

Prior authorization validity is provided in the following conditions:

- Patient is at least 1 year of age; **AND**

Universal Criteria ¹

- Patients must be administered a meningococcal vaccine (for serogroups A, C, W and Y, and serogroup B) according to current ACIP recommendations at least two weeks prior to initiation of therapy and will continue to be revaccinated in accordance with ACIP recommendations (*If urgent Veopoz therapy is indicated in a patient who is not up-to-date with meningococcal vaccines according to ACIP recommendations, administer meningococcal vaccine(s) as soon as possible and provide patients with antibacterial drug prophylaxis*); **AND**
- Patient must be administered vaccinations for the prevention of Streptococcus pneumoniae and Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib) infections according to ACIP guidelines; **AND**
- Will not be used in combination with other complement therapies; **AND**
- Patient does not have an unresolved Neisseria meningitidis infection; **AND**
- Patient will avoid concomitant therapy with intravenous immunoglobulin, if therapy is unavoidable, the patient will be monitored closely for adverse reactions and/or worsening of disease symptoms; **AND**

Complement Hyperactivation, Angiopathic thrombosis, and Protein-Losing Enteropathy Disease (CHAPLE) † Φ ¹

- Patient has a confirmed clinical diagnosis of CD55-deficient protein-losing enteropathy (PLE) evidenced by biallelic CD55 loss-of-function mutation detected by genotype analysis; **AND**
- Patient has active disease as defined as hypoalbuminemia (serum albumin concentration of ≤ 3.2 g/dL) with one or more of the following signs or symptoms attributed to CD55-deficient PLE within the last six months:
 - Abdominal pain
 - Diarrhea
 - Peripheral edema
 - Facial edema

† FDA Approved Indication(s); ‡ Compendia Recommended Indication(s); Φ Orphan Drug

IV. Renewal Criteria ¹

Prior authorization validity may be renewed based upon the following criteria:

- Patient continues to meet the universal and other indication-specific relevant criteria identified in section III; **AND**
- Absence of unacceptable toxicity from the drug. Examples of unacceptable toxicity include: serious meningococcal infections (septicemia and/or meningitis), other serious bacterial infections, serious hypersensitivity reactions, etc.; **AND**
- Patient exhibits disease response compared to pretreatment baseline in ALL of the following:
 - Normalization/improvement in serum proteins (e.g., albumin, or immunoglobulin G, etc.); **AND**
 - Stabilization/improvement in signs and symptoms of disease; **AND**
 - Reduction in albumin transfusion requirements, exogenous immunoglobulin, and/or hospitalization (as applicable)

V. Dosage/Administration ¹

Indication	Dose
CHAPLE Disease	<u>Day 1 (Loading Dose):</u> Administer a single 30 mg/kg dose by intravenous infusion.
	<u>Day 8 and Thereafter (Maintenance Dosage):</u> Inject 10 mg/kg as a subcutaneous injection* once weekly starting on Day 8

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The maintenance dosage may be increased to 12 mg/kg once weekly if there is inadequate clinical response after at least 3 weekly doses (i.e., starting Week 4). • The maximum maintenance dosage is 800 mg once weekly, doses greater than 400 mg require 2 injections. <p>* Veopoz for subcutaneous use must be prepared and administered by a healthcare provider.</p>
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VI. Billing Code/Availability Information

HCPCS Code:

- J9376 – Injection, pozelimab-bbfg, 1 mg; 1 billable unit = 1 mg

NDC(s):

- Veopoz 400 mg/2 mL single-dose vials for injection: 61755-0014-xx

VII. References

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Appendix A – Non-Quantitative Treatment Limitations (NQTL) Factor Checklist

Non-quantitative treatment limitations (NQTLs) refer to the methods, guidelines, standards of evidence, or other conditions that can restrict how long or to what extent benefits are provided under a health plan. These may include things like utilization review or prior authorization. The utilization management NQTL applies comparably, and not more stringently, to mental health/substance use disorder (MH/SUD) Medical Benefit Prescription Drugs and medical/surgical (M/S) Medical Benefit Prescription Drugs. The table below lists the factors that were considered in designing and applying prior authorization to this drug/drug group, and a summary of the conclusions that Prime's assessment led to for each.

Factor	Conclusion
Indication	Yes: Consider for PA
Safety and efficacy	Yes: Consider for PA
Potential for misuse/abuse	No: PA not a priority
Cost of drug	Yes: Consider for PA

Appendix 1 – Covered Diagnosis Codes

ICD-10	ICD-10 Description
D84.1	Defects in the complement system

Appendix 2 – Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)

The preceding information is intended for non-Medicare coverage determinations. Medicare coverage for outpatient (Part B) drugs is outlined in the Medicare Benefit Policy Manual (Pub. 100-2), Chapter 15, §50 Drugs and Biologicals. In addition, National Coverage Determinations (NCDs) and/or Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs) may exist and compliance with these policies is required where applicable. Local Coverage Articles (LCAs) may also exist for claims payment purposes or to clarify benefit eligibility under Part B for drugs which may be self-administered. The following link may be used to search for NCD, LCD, or LCA documents: <https://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/search.aspx>. Additional indications, including any preceding information, may be applied at the discretion of the health plan.

Medicare Part B Covered Diagnosis Codes (applicable to existing NCD/LCA/LCD): N/A

Medicare Part B Administrative Contractor (MAC) Jurisdictions		
Jurisdiction	Applicable State/US Territory	Contractor
E (1)	CA, HI, NV, AS, GU, CNMI	Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC
F (2 & 3)	AK, WA, OR, ID, ND, SD, MT, WY, UT, AZ	Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC
5	KS, NE, IA, MO	Wisconsin Physicians Service Insurance Corp (WPS)
6	MN, WI, IL	National Government Services, Inc. (NGS)
H (4 & 7)	LA, AR, MS, TX, OK, CO, NM	Novitas Solutions, Inc.
8	MI, IN	Wisconsin Physicians Service Insurance Corp (WPS)
N (9)	FL, PR, VI	First Coast Service Options, Inc.
J (10)	TN, GA, AL	Palmetto GBA
M (11)	NC, SC, WV, VA (excluding below)	Palmetto GBA
L (12)	DE, MD, PA, NJ, DC (includes Arlington & Fairfax counties and the city of Alexandria in VA)	Novitas Solutions, Inc.
K (13 & 14)	NY, CT, MA, RI, VT, ME, NH	National Government Services, Inc. (NGS)
15	KY, OH	CGS Administrators, LLC