

Medical Policy:

Elfabrio (pegunigalsidase alfa-iwxj) intravenous injection

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Definitions

Fabry disease is caused by deficiency of the lysosomal enzyme alpha-galactosidase A. Pegunigalsidase alfa-iwxj provides an exogenous source of alpha-galactosidase A; it is internalized and transported into lysosomes where it is thought to exert enzymatic activity and reduce accumulated globotriaosylceramide (Gb3)

Length of Authorization

Coverage will be provided for 12 months and may be renewed.

Dosing Limits [Medical Benefit]

The recommended dosage of Elfabrio, based on actual body weight, is 1 mg/kg administered by intravenous infusion every 2 weeks.

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

- 120 mg every 14 days

Guideline

I. INITIAL CRITERIA

1. **Fabry Disease.** Approve if the patient meets the following criteria (A, B, and C):
 - A. The patient is ≥ 18 years of age; **AND**
 - B. The diagnosis is established by one of the following (i or ii):
 - i. Patient has a laboratory test demonstrating deficient α -galactosidase A activity in leukocytes or fibroblasts; **OR**
 - ii. Patient has a molecular genetic test demonstrating pathogenic mutations in the galactosidase alpha gene; **AND**
 - C. Elfabrio is prescribed by or in consultation with a geneticist, endocrinologist, a metabolic disorder sub-specialist, or a physician who specializes in the treatment of lysosomal storage disorders.

II. Renewal Criteria

1. Patient continues to meet Initial Criteria; **AND**
2. Absence of unacceptable toxicity from the drug. *Examples of unacceptable toxicity include: anaphylaxis and severe hypersensitivity reactions, severe infusion-associated reactions, glomerulonephritis, etc.;* **AND**
3. Disease response with treatment as defined by improvement or stabilization in the rate of decline of the estimated glomerular filtration rate (eGFR)

Limitations/Exclusions

1. Concurrent Use with Galafold (migalastat oral capsules)
2. Concurrent Use with Fabrazyme (galactosidase beta intravenous infusion)

Applicable Procedure Codes

Code	Description
J2508	Injection, pegunigalsidase alfa-iwxj, 1 mg

Applicable NDCs

Code	Description
10122-0160-xx	Elfabrio 20mg/10 mL vial
10122-0165-02	Elfabrio 5 mg/2.5 mL

ICD-10 Diagnoses

Code	Description
E75.21	Fabry(-Anderson) disease

Revision History

Company(ies)	DATE	REVISION
EmblemHealth & ConnectiCare	3/18/2024	Annual Review: Updated dosing limits, Added Limitations/Exclusions and Renewal criteria, removed J3590 and C9399, added J2508

EmblemHealth & ConnectiCare	07/28/2023	New Policy
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References

1. Product Information: Elfabrio intravenous injection, pegunigalsidase alfa-iwxj intravenous injection. Chiesi USA, Inc. (per FDA), Cary, NC, 2023.