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## **I. POLICY**


- A. Pyrukynd (mitapivat) will require prior authorization for appropriate use. The process for initiating a prior authorization request can be found in policy PHARM 20.
1. PPMCO members are subject to the Priority Partners formulary, available at [www.ppmco.org](http://www.ppmco.org).
  2. USFHP members are subject to prior authorization criteria, step-edits and days-supply limits outlined in the Tricare Policy Manual. Tricare Policy supersedes JHHC Medical/Pharmacy Policies. Tricare limits may be accessed at: [http://pec.ha.osd.mil/formulary\\_search.php?submenuheader=1](http://pec.ha.osd.mil/formulary_search.php?submenuheader=1)

## **II. POLICY CRITERIA**

- A. **Pyrukynd** may be approved for patients meeting the following:
1. Patient is 18 years of age or older
  2. Documentation has been submitted showing the following:
    1. Diagnosis of hemolytic anemia due to pyruvate kinase deficiency
    2. Laboratory findings confirm the presence of at least 2 variant alleles in the pyruvate kinase liver and red blood cell (PKLR) gene, with at least 1 allele being a missense variant
    3. Patient is not homozygous for the R479H mutation or have 2 non-missense mutations, without the presence of another missense mutation in the PKLR gene
    4. One of the following:
      1. Patient has a current hemoglobin level  $\leq 10\text{g/dL}$
      2. Patient is currently receiving red blood cell transfusions regularly, defined as at least 6 transfusions within the last year
    5. Patient will be on a concurrent regimen with oral folic acid
    6. Prescriber is, or has consulted with, a hematologist

## **III. AUTHORIZATION PERIOD/LIMITATIONS**

- A. Initial approval will be limited to 6 months of therapy
- B. Approval for continuation of therapy may be extended in 12-month intervals with documentation of the following:
1. Patient has had a beneficial response to treatment, evidenced by one of the following:

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1. Hemoglobin increase of  $\geq 1.5$  g/dL from baseline
2. Decrease in the number of RBC transfusions from baseline
2. Patient will continue to take a concurrent regimen with oral folic acid
- C. Limitation:
  1. Pyrukynd will not be approved for continuation if the patient has not experienced a clinical benefit by 24 weeks of therapy.
  2. If continuation is not approved: A one-time approval of the appropriate dose taper pack will be issued to support gradual discontinuation of Pyrukynd, and reduce the risk of acute hemolysis

#### **IV. EXCLUSIONS**

- A. Pyrukynd will not be approved for the following:
  1. Pediatric patients
  2. Patients with moderate or severe hepatic impairment
  3. Patients who have had a prior bone marrow or stem cell transplant
  4. Patients with a history of splenectomy, or planning to undergo splenectomy
  5. Patients taking strong CYP3A inhibitors or inducers
  6. Any indications or usage that is not FDA-approved, or guideline-supported
- B. The use of physician samples, or manufacturer product discounts, does not guarantee coverage under the provisions of the medical and/or pharmacy benefit. All pertinent criteria must be met in order to be eligible for benefit coverage.

#### **V. REFERENCES**

1. Pyrukynd [prescribing information]. Cambridge, MA: Agios Pharmaceuticals Inc; February 2022.

#### **VI. APPROVALS**

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