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#### **Policy Statement:**

Physicians Health Plan, PHP Insurance & Service Company, and Sparrow PHP will cover Hereditary angioedema agents through the Medical Benefit based on approval by the Clinical Pharmacist or Medical Director using the following determination guidelines

## **Drugs and Applicable Coding:**

**J-code:** Cinryze - J0598; Berinert - J0597, J1290; Kalbitor - J2425; Firazyr - 014778; Ruconest - J0596 Takhzyro - pending

# **Clinical Determination Guidelines:**

Document the following with chart notes

- A. Hereditary Angioedema (HAE)
  - 1. Age:
    - Berinert IV (C1 Estrase Inhibitor Human), Cinryz IV (C1 Inhibitor Human), Ruconest IV (C1 estrase Inhibitor, recombinant), Haegarda SC (C1 Inhibitor Human): Adolescents and adults
    - b. Firazyr (icatibant):  $\geq$  18 years
    - c. Kalbitor (ecallantide):  $\geq$  16 years
    - d. Haegarda (C1 Inhibitor Human):
    - e. Takhzyro (lanadelumab-flyo): >12 years
  - 2. Prescriber: Allergist, immunologist or hematologist
  - 3. Diagnosis and severity
    - a. Lab test: both below
      - C4: <14mg/L (normal 9-36 mg/dL)
      - C1 Inhibitor (antigenic) <19.9mg/dL (normal 21-39mg/dL) or C1 Inhibitor (functional)</li>
         <72% reference range (normal >67% reference range)
    - b. Severity: Swelling of face/throat or GI tract that notably interferes with routine daily activities.
    - c. Concomitant medications: Medications known to cause angioedema (ie. ACE inhibitors, estrogens, ARBs) have been evaluated and discontinued when appropriate



- B. Acute HAE treatment
  - 1. Administration:
    - a. Self-administration: Berinert, Firazyr and Ruconest after training by healthcare professional
    - b. Healthcare professional administration: Kalbitor
    - 2. Dosage regimen:
      - a. Berinert IV (plasma-derived C1 INH): 20U/Kg
      - b. Ruconest IV (recombinant C1 INH): < 84 Kg: 50 U/KG, > 84 Kg: 4,200 U; may repeat x 1
      - c. Kalbitor SC (ecallantide): 30mg (3 x 1mL)
      - d. Firazyr SC (icatibant): 30mg
    - 3. Approval:
      - a. Initial: 6 months;
      - b. Re-approval: 1 year; quantity dependent on frequency of attacks (decreased severity and duration of attacks)
- C. Prophylactic HAE treatment
  - 1. Diagnosis and severity:
    - a. Frequent and severe HAE attacks: > 24 days/year with symptoms or > 12 severe attacks/year.
    - b. Severe HAE attacks in triggering situations: Major dental work, surgical procedures or invasive medical procedures
  - 2. Other therapies: Failed or contraindication/significant adverse effects from 1 below:
    - a. Acute HAE treatment (see B)
    - b. Attenuated androgens: danazol, stanozolol
  - 3. Dosage regimen
    - a. Cinryz IV (C1 Inhibitor Human): 1,000U every 3-4 days
    - b. Haegarda SC (C1 Inhibitor Human): 60U/Kg every 3-4 days
    - c. Takhzyro SC (lanadelumab-flyo): 300mg every 2 weeks
  - 4. Approval
    - a. Initial: 6 months
    - b. Re-approval: 1 year (functional improvement with decreased frequency, severity and duration of attacks)



Drug	Adverse Reactions	Monitoring	REMS
Berinert IV Cinryze IV Haegarda SC plasma C1-INH	<ul> <li>CNS: HA (17%)</li> <li>GI: Nausea (18%)</li> <li>Preg.: Animal reproductive studies have not been conducted</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>CV: S &amp; Sx thrombolyic events</li> <li>Immunologic: S &amp; Sx hypersensitivity.</li> </ul>	Not needed
Kalbitor ecallantide	<ul> <li>CNS: HA (8-16%), fatigue (12%)</li> <li>GI: Nausea (5-13%), diarrhea (4-11%)</li> <li>Immunologic: Antibody development (IgE: 5-20%, neutralizing: 9%)</li> <li>Preg.: Adverse effects were observed in animal studies</li> </ul>	Immunologic: S & Sx hypersensitivity	REMS program Dc'ed by FDA April 2013
Takhzyro SC Ianadelumab- flyo	<ul> <li>CNS: HA (33%)</li> <li>Immunologic: antibody development (12%)</li> <li>Local: Injection site reaction (45-56%)</li> <li>MSK: Myalgia (11%)</li> <li>Resp: URI (44%)</li> </ul>	• NA	Not needed
Firazyr SC icatibant	<ul> <li>Derm.: Inj. site Rx (97%),</li> <li>Preg.: Adverse effects were observed in animal studies</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Symptoms relief laryngeal sx/airway obstruction</li> </ul>	Not needed
Ruconest IV recombinant C1 INH	<ul> <li>CNS: HA (&gt;10%)</li> <li>GI: Abdominal pain (≥12%)</li> <li>Resp.: Oropharyngeal (≥12%)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>CV: S &amp; Sx thrombolyic events</li> <li>Misc: S &amp; Sx hypersensitivity</li> </ul>	Not Needed

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