

Clinical Policy: Elapegademase-lvlr (Revcovi)

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Line of Business: Medicaid

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****Please note: This policy is for medical benefit****

Description

Elapegademase-lvlr (Revcovi®) is a recombinant adenosine deaminase.

FDA Approved Indication(s)

Revcovi is indicated for the treatment of adenosine deaminase severe combined immune deficiency disease (ADA-SCID) in pediatric and adult patients.

Policy/Criteria

~~Prior Authorization is required.~~ Provider must submit documentation (such as office chart notes, lab results or other clinical information) supporting that member has met all approval criteria.

It is the policy of Louisiana Healthcare Connections that Revcovi is **medically necessary** when the following criteria are met:

I. Initial Approval Criteria**A. Adenosine Deaminase Severe Combined Immune Deficiency Disease** (must meet all):

1. Diagnosis of ADA-SCID confirmed by genetic testing;
2. Prescribed by or in consultation with an immunologist;
3. Member has failed bone marrow transplantation or is not a candidate for bone marrow transplantation;
4. Dose does not exceed 0.4 mg/kg per week.

Approval duration: 6 months

B. Other diagnoses/indications (must meet 1 or 2):

- ~~1. Refer to the off-label use policy for the relevant line of business if diagnosis is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized): LA.PMN.53 for Medicaid.~~
1. If this drug has recently (within the last 6 months) undergone a label change (e.g., newly approved indication, age expansion, new dosing regimen) that is not yet reflected in this policy, refer to LA.PMN.255
2. If the requested use (e.g., diagnosis, age, dosing regimen) is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized) AND criterion 1 above does not apply, refer to the off-label use policy LA.PMN.53

II. Continued Therapy

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A. Adenosine Deaminase Severe Combined Immunodeficiency Disease (must meet all):

1. Currently receiving medication via Louisiana Healthcare Connections benefit or member has previously met initial approval criteria;
2. Member is responding positively to therapy (*see Appendix D for examples*);
3. If request is for a dose increase, new dose does not exceed 0.4 mg/kg per week.

Approval duration: 12 months

B. Other diagnoses/indications (must meet 1 or 2):

~~1. Currently receiving medication via Louisiana Healthcare Connections benefit and documentation supports positive response to therapy.~~

~~**Approval duration:** Duration of request or 6 months (whichever is less); or~~

~~1. Refer to the off-label use policy for the relevant line of business if diagnosis is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized): LA.PMN.53 for Medicaid.~~

1. If this drug has recently (within the last 6 months) undergone a label change (e.g., newly approved indication, age expansion, new dosing regimen) that is not yet reflected in this policy, refer to LA.PMN.255

2. If the requested use (e.g., diagnosis, age, dosing regimen) is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized) AND criterion 1 above does not apply, refer to the off-label use policy LA.PMN.53

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III. Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized:

- #### A. Non-FDA approved indications, which are not addressed in this policy, unless there is sufficient documentation of efficacy and safety according to the off-label use policy – LA.PMN.53 for Medicaid, or evidence of coverage documents.

IV. Appendices/General Information

Appendix A: Abbreviation/Acronym Key

ADA-SCID: adenosine deaminase severe combined immune deficiency disease

dAXP: deoxyadenosine nucleotides

FDA: Food and Drug Administration

Appendix B: Therapeutic Alternatives

Not applicable

Appendix C: Contraindications/Boxed Warnings

None reported

Appendix D: General Information

- Examples of positive response to therapy include improvement in immune function (T cell, B cell, and natural killer lymphocytes), reduction in frequency/severity of opportunistic infections, and decrease from baseline or maintenance of normal red cell dATP levels.
- Once treatment with Revcovi has been initiated, a target trough plasma ADA activity should be at least 30 mmol/hr/L. In order to determine an effective dose of Revcovi, trough plasma ADA activity (pre-injection) should be determined every 2 weeks for

Adagen-naïve patients and every 4 weeks for patients previously receiving Adagen therapy, during the first 8 - 12 weeks of treatment, and every 3 - 6 months thereafter. A decrease of ADA activity below this level suggests noncompliance to treatment or a development of antibodies (anti-drug, anti-PEG, and neutralizing antibodies). Antibodies to Revcovi should be suspected if a persistent fall in pre-injection levels of trough plasma ADA activity below 15 mmol/hr/L occurs. In such patients, testing for antibodies to Revcovi should be performed. If a persistent decline in trough plasma ADA activity occurs, immune function and clinical status should be monitored closely and precautions should be taken to minimize the risk of infection. If antibodies to Revcovi are found to be the cause of a persistent fall in trough plasma ADA activity, then adjustment in the dosage of Revcovi and other measures may be taken to induce tolerance and restore adequate ADA activity.

- Two months after starting Revcovi treatment, trough erythrocyte deoxyadenosine nucleotide (dAXP) levels should be maintained below 0.02 mmol/L, and monitored at least twice a year.
- The degree of immune function may vary from patient to patient. Each patient will require appropriate monitoring consistent with immunologic status. Total and subset lymphocytes should be monitored periodically as follows:
 - Adagen-naïve patients: every 4 - 8 weeks for up to 1 year, and every 3 - 6 months thereafter
 - Other patients: every 3 - 6 months
- Immune function, including the ability to produce antibodies, generally improves after 2 - 6 months of therapy, and matures over a longer period. In general, there is a lag between the correction of the metabolic abnormalities and improved immune function. Improvement in the general clinical status of the patient may be gradual (as evidenced by improvement in various clinical parameters) but should be apparent by the end of the first year of therapy.

V. Dosage and Administration

Indication	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose
ADA-SCID	<p>Patients transitioning from Adagen® to Revcovi: If the weekly Adagen dose is unknown, or if the weekly Adagen dose is at or lower than 30 U/kg, use Revcovi 0.2 mg/kg IM weekly. If the weekly Adagen dose is > 30 U/kg, an equivalent weekly Revcovi dose (mg/kg) should be calculated by dividing the Adagen dose in U/kg by 150. Subsequent doses may be increased by increments of 0.033 mg/kg weekly if trough ADA activity is under 30 mmol/hr/L, trough dAXPs are above 0.02 mmol/L, and/or the immune reconstitution is inadequate based on the clinical assessment of the patient. The total weekly dose may be divided into multiple IM administrations during a week.</p> <p>Adagen-naïve patients:</p>	0.4 mg/kg/week

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Indication	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose
	0.2 mg/kg IM twice a week based on ideal body weight or actual weight whichever is greater for at least 12-24 weeks until immune reconstitution is achieved. Dose may be gradually adjusted down to maintain trough ADA activity over 30 mmol/hr/L, trough dAXP level under 0.02 mmol/L, and/or to maintain adequate immune reconstitution based on clinical assessment of the patient.	

VI. Product Availability

Single-dose vial: 2.4 mg/1.5 mL (1.6 mg/mL)

VII. References

1. Revcovi Prescribing Information. Gaithersburg, MD: Leadiant Biosciences Inc.; December 2020. Available at: www.revcovi.com. Accessed February 27, 2022.
2. Kohn DB, Hershfield MS, Puck JM, et al. Consensus approach for the management of severe combined immune deficiency caused by adenosine deaminase deficiency. J Allergy Clin Immunol 2019;143:852-63.

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<u>Updated criteria for other diagnoses/indications</u>	<u>06.25.23</u>	

Important Reminder

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