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## Isturisa (osilodrostat)

### PRODUCTS AFFECTED

Isturisa (osilodrostat)

### COVERAGE POLICY

Coverage for services, procedures, medical devices and drugs are dependent upon benefit eligibility as outlined in the member's specific benefit plan. This Coverage Guideline must be read in its entirety to determine coverage eligibility, if any.

This Coverage Guideline provides information related to coverage determinations only and does not imply that a service or treatment is clinically appropriate or inappropriate. The provider and the member are responsible for all decisions regarding the appropriateness of care. Providers should provide Molina Healthcare complete medical rationale when requesting any exceptions to these guidelines.

#### **Documentation Requirements:**

Molina Healthcare reserves the right to require that additional documentation be made available as part of its coverage determination; quality improvement; and fraud; waste and abuse prevention processes. Documentation required may include, but is not limited to, patient records, test results and credentials of the provider ordering or performing a drug or service. Molina Healthcare may deny reimbursement or take additional appropriate action if the documentation provided does not support the initial determination that the drugs or services were medically necessary, not investigational or experimental, and otherwise within the scope of benefits afforded to the member, and/or the documentation demonstrates a pattern of billing or other practice that is inappropriate or excessive.

#### **DIAGNOSIS:**

Cushing's disease (CD)

#### **REQUIRED MEDICAL INFORMATION:**

This clinical policy is consistent with standards of medical practice current at the time that this clinical policy was approved. If a drug within this policy receives an updated FDA label within the last 180 days, medical necessity for the member will be reviewed using the updated FDA label information along with state and federal requirements, benefit being administered and formulary preferencing. Coverage will be determined on a case-by-case basis until the criteria can be updated through Molina Healthcare, Inc. clinical governance. Additional information may be required on a case-by-case basis to allow for adequate review. When the requested drug product for coverage is dosed by weight, body surface area or other member specific measurement, this data element is required as part of the medical necessity review.

#### **A. CUSHINGS DISEASE:**

1. Documented diagnosis of Cushing's Disease  
AND
2. Documentation that member is: (i) not a candidate for surgery, (ii) surgery is expected to be

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delayed, OR (iii) surgery has not been successful  
AND

3. Prescriber attests that hypokalemia and hypomagnesemia have been corrected and a baseline electrocardiogram has been done prior to starting Isturisa (osilodrostat) therapy per labeled recommendations  
AND
4. Prescriber attests that cortisol will be monitored per FDA labeled recommendations for titration and tolerability  
AND
5. Documentation of trial (12 weeks) and failure, serious side effects, or contraindication to ketoconazole therapy

### CONTINUATION OF THERAPY:

#### A. CUSHINGS DISEASE:

1. Adherence to therapy at least 85% of the time as verified by Prescriber and member's medication fill history (review Rx history for compliance)  
AND
2. Documentation that the member's urinary free cortisol (UFC) level less than or equal to 75 micrograms/24 hours  
AND
3. Prescriber attests to or clinical reviewer has found no evidence of intolerable adverse effects or drug toxicity (e.g., hypocortisolism, hypokalemia, worsening of hypertension, edema, hirsutism)  
See Appendix

### DURATION OF APPROVAL:

Initial authorization: 6 months, Continuation of Therapy: 12 months

### PRESCRIBER REQUIREMENTS:

Prescribed by or in consultation with an endocrinologist or a physician who specializes in the treatment of Cushing's disease. [If prescribed in consultation, consultation notes must be submitted with initial request and reauthorization requests]

### AGE RESTRICTIONS:

18 years of age and older

### QUANTITY:

Max of 240 tablets/30 days for 1mg tablets, max of 300 tablets/30 days of 5mg tablets

**Maximum recommended dosage is 30 mg twice daily**

### PLACE OF ADMINISTRATION:

The recommendation is that oral medications in this policy will be for pharmacy benefit coverage and patient self-administered.

## DRUG INFORMATION

### ROUTE OF ADMINISTRATION:

Oral

### DRUG CLASS:

Cortisol Synthesis Inhibitors

### FDA-APPROVED USES:

Treatment of adult patients with Cushing's disease (CD) for whom pituitary surgery is not an option or has not been curative.

**COMPENDIAL APPROVED OFF-LABELED USES:**

None

**APPENDIX**

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Recommended Dosage, Titration, and Monitoring; Dosage Interruptions and Modifications

The maintenance dosage of Isturisa is individualized and determined by titration based on cortisol levels and patient's signs and symptoms. Decrease or temporarily discontinue ISTURISA if urine free cortisol levels fall below the target range, there is a rapid decrease in cortisol levels, and/or patients report symptoms of hypocortisolism. If necessary, glucocorticoid replacement therapy should be initiated. Stop Isturisa and administer exogenous glucocorticoid replacement therapy if serum or plasma cortisol levels are below target range and patients have symptoms of adrenal insufficiency. If treatment is interrupted, re-initiate Isturisa at a lower dose when cortisol levels are within target ranges and patient symptoms have been resolved.

See full Prescribing Information for recommendations on symptom mitigation, dose reduction, temporary discontinuation, and discontinuation.

**BACKGROUND AND OTHER CONSIDERATIONS**

**BACKGROUND:**

Cushing's disease (CD), or pituitary-dependent Cushing's syndrome (CS), is a severe endocrine disease caused by a corticotroph pituitary tumor and associated with increased morbidity and mortality. CD is the most common cause of endogenous CS. The goal of treatment is to rapidly control cortisol excess and achieve long-term remission, to reverse the clinical features and reduce long-term complications associated with increased mortality. (Cuevas-Ramos et al.) Endogenous CS is a serious, debilitating and rare multisystem disorder. It is caused by the overproduction of cortisol (a steroid hormone that increases blood sugar levels) by the adrenal glands. CS occurs in about 20,000 people in the United States, mostly women between the ages of 20 and 50. The treatment of choice in endogenous Cushing syndrome, which is most commonly caused by a corticotroph pituitary adenoma, is surgical removal of the adenoma. Second-line therapies include medical therapy, bilateral adrenalectomy, and radiation therapy. The therapy must be individualized and targeted at normalization of hormone excess, long-term disease control, and reversal of comorbidities caused by the underlying pathology. In patients in whom surgery has failed, medical therapies are considered palliative and are focused on modifying the hypothalamic/pituitary index, activity of the adrenal gland, and activity of the glucocorticoid receptor. Pharmacological agents currently used in the treatment of CD are classified according to their mechanism of action as adrenal steroidogenesis inhibitors, pituitary-directed drugs and glucocorticoid receptor antagonists: (Cuevas-Ramos D et al. 2014)

- Adrenal-blocking (to reduce adrenal steroidogenesis): ketoconazole, metyrapone, mitotane, etomidate
- Pituitary-directed (centrally acting agents that suppress ACTH secretion by the pituitary; dopamine agonist: cabergoline and the somatostatin analog: pasireotide): cabergoline, pasireotide
- Glucocorticoid receptor-antagonizing drugs (blocks the peripheral effects of glucocorticoids): mifepristone

**CONTRAINDICATIONS/EXCLUSIONS/DISCONTINUATION:**

All other uses of Isturisa (osilodrostat) are considered experimental/investigational and therefore, will follow Molina's Off- Label policy. Contraindications to Isturisa (osilodrostat) include: No labeled contraindications.

**OTHER SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

None

**CODING/BILLING INFORMATION**

*Note: 1) This list of codes may not be all-inclusive. 2) Deleted codes and codes which are not effective at the time the service is rendered may not be eligible for reimbursement*

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HCPCS CODE	DESCRIPTION
N/A	

### AVAILABLE DOSAGE FORMS:

Isturisa TABS 1MG  
 Isturisa TABS 5MG  
 Isturisa TABS 10MG

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