

# **DRUG QUANTITY MANAGEMENT POLICY - PER DAYS**

**POLICY:** Metabolic Disorders – Imcivree Drug Quantity Management Policy –

Per Days

• Imcivree® (setmelanotide subcutaneous injection – Rhythm)

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### **OVERVIEW**

Imcivree, a melanocortin 4 receptor agonist, is indicated for chronic weight management in patients  $\geq$  6 years of age with monogenic or syndromic obesity due to:

- Proopiomelanocortin (POMC), proprotein convertase subtilisin/kexin type 1 (PCSK1), or leptin receptor (LEPR) deficiency, confirmed by genetic testing demonstrating variants in POMC, PCSK1, or LEPR genes that are interpreted as pathogenic, likely pathogenic, or of uncertain significance.
- Bardet-Biedl Syndrome.

## Dosing

Patient  $\geq$  12 years of age:

- The starting dose is 2 mg (0.2 mL) injected subcutaneously (SC) once daily (QD) for 2 weeks. Monitor patients for gastrointestinal (GI) adverse reactions.
- If the starting dose is not tolerated, reduce to 1 mg (0.1 mL) QD. If the 1 mg dose is tolerated for at least 1 week, increase the dose to 2 mg (0.2 mL) QD.

If the 2 mg dose is tolerated for 2 weeks, increase the dose to 3 mg (0.3 mL)
QD. If the 3 mg dose is not tolerated, maintain administration of 2 mg (0.2 mL)
QD.

### Patient 6 to < 12 years of age:

- The starting dose is 1 mg (0.1 mL) SC QD for 2 weeks. Monitor patients for GI adverse reactions.
- If the starting dose is not tolerated, reduce to 0.5 mg (0.05 mL) QD. If the 0.5 mg dose is tolerated for at least 1 week, increase the dose to 1 mg (0.1 mL) once daily.
- If the 1 mg dose is tolerated for at least 2 weeks, increase the dose to 2 mg (0.2 mL) QD.
- If the 2 mg QD dose is not tolerated, reduce to 1 mg (0.1 mL) QD. If the 2 mg dose is tolerated, the dose may be increased to 3 mg (0.3 mL) QD.

## **Availability**

Imcivree is available as 10 mg/1 mL multi-dose vials.1

#### **POLICY STATEMENT**

This Drug Quantity Management program has been developed to manage potential dose escalation with Imcivree. If the Drug Quantity Management rule is not met for the requested medication at the point of service, coverage will be determined by the Criteria below. All approvals are provided for 1 year in duration.

**Drug Quantity Limits** 

Product	Strength and Form	Retail Maximum Quantity per 30 Days	Home Delivery Maximum Quantity per 90 Days
Imcivree® (setmelanotide subcutaneous injection)	10 mg/1 mL vial	6 vials (6 mL)*	18 vials (18 mL)*

<sup>\*</sup> This provides a sufficient quantity for a 2 mg/day dose for 30 days at retail or 90 days at home delivery.

Metabolic Disorders – Imcivree Drug Quantity Management Policy – Per Days product(s) is(are) covered as medically necessary when the following criteria is(are) met. Any other exception is considered not medically necessary.

#### CRITERIA

1. If the patient requires a maintenance dose of 3 mg once daily, approve the requested quantity, not to exceed 9 vials (9 mL) per 30 days at retail or 27 vials (27 mL) per 90 days at home delivery.

<sup>3</sup> Pages - Cigna National Formulary Coverage - Policy: Metabolic Disorders - Imcivree Drug Quantity Management Policy - Per Days

## **R**EFERENCES

1. Imcivree® subcutaneous injection [prescribing information]. Boston, MA: Rhythm; November 2023.

### **HISTORY**

Type of Revision	Summary of Changes	Review Date
Early Annual Revision	Policy was updated to reflect the existing quantity limits when a product is obtained via home delivery.	01/30/2023
Revision	when a product is obtained via nome delivery.	
Annual	No criteria changes.	02/07/2024
Revision		

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