

# **Drug Coverage Policy**

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# Metabolic Disorders - Primary Hyperoxaluria Medications - Rivfloza

• Rivfloza™ (nedosiran subcutaneous injection – Novo Nordisk)

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#### **OVERVIEW**

Rivfloza, a lactate dehydrogenase A-directing (LDHA) small interfering RNA, is indicated for the treatment of **primary hyperoxaluria type 1** (PH1) to lower urinary and plasma oxalate levels in adults and children  $\geq$  9 years of age with relatively preserved kidney function.<sup>1</sup>

#### **Disease Overview**

Primary hyperoxaluria type 1 is a rare autosomal recessive inborn error of glyoxylate metabolism that results in the overproduction of oxalate, which forms insoluble calcium oxalate crystals that accumulate in the kidney and other organs, leading to issues such as nephrocalcinosis, formation of

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renal stones, and renal impairment.<sup>2</sup> Mutations in the alanine: glyoxylate aminotransferase gene (AGXT) cause primary hyperoxaluria type  $1.^3$  Liver transplantation is the only curative intervention for primary hyperoxaluria type 1 as it corrects the underlying enzymatic defect due to mutations of the AGXT gene.<sup>2-4</sup>

## **Clinical Efficacy**

The efficacy of Rivfloza for the treatment of primary hyperoxaluria type 1 has been evaluated in one pivotal study. The study included patients  $\geq$  9 years of age with genetically confirmed PH1 and urinary oxalate excretion  $\geq$  0.7 mmol/24 hr/1.73 m². An ongoing open-label extension trial is following patients for up to 4 years. The primary efficacy endpoint of the area under the curve (AUC) percent change from baseline in 24-hour urinary oxalate excretion was assessed following 6 months of Rivfloza therapy.

### **Dosing**

Dosing of Rivfloza is a weight-based monthly subcutaneous injection.<sup>1</sup>

Table 1. Rivfloza Dosing Regimen.<sup>1</sup>

Age	Body Weight	Dosing Regimen
Adults and	≥ 50 kg	160 mg once monthly
adolescents ≥ 12	< 50 kg	128 mg once monthly
years of age	_	
Children 9 to 11	≥ 50 kg	160 mg once monthly
years of age	< 50 kg	3.3 mg/kg once monthly, not to
		exceed 128 mg

## **Medical Necessity Criteria**

#### Rivfloza is considered medically necessary when the following is met:

#### **FDA-Approved Indication**

- **1. Primary Hyperoxaluria Type 1.** Approve Rivfloza for the duration noted if the patient meets one of the following (A <u>or</u> B):
  - **A)** <u>Initial Therapy</u>. Approve for 6 months if the patient meets the following (i, ii, iii, iv, v, vi, and vii):
    - i. Patient is ≥ 9 years of age; AND
    - ii. Patient has had a genetic test confirming the diagnosis of Primary Hyperoxaluria Type 1 via identification of an alanine: glyoxylate aminotransferase gene (AGXT) mutation; AND
    - iii. Patient has an estimated glomerular filtration rate (eGFR) ≥ 30 ml/min per 1.73 m²; AND
    - **iv.** Patient meets ONE of the following (a, b, or c):
      - a) Patient has a urinary oxalate excretion ≥ 0.7 mmol/24 hours/1.73 meters<sup>2</sup>; OR
      - **b)** Patient has a urinary oxalate: creatinine ratio above the age-specific upper limit of normal; OR
      - c) Patient has a plasma oxalate level ≥ 20 µmol/L; AND
    - **v.** Patient has <u>not</u> previously received a liver transplant for Primary Hyperoxaluria Type 1; AND
    - vi. The medication is prescribed by or in consultation with a nephrologist or urologist.
    - vii. Preferred product criteria is met for the product(s) as listed in the below table(s)

B) Patient is Currently Receiving Rivfloza. Approve for 1 year if, according to the prescriber, the patient is continuing to derive benefit from Rivfloza as determined by the most recent (i.e., within the past 6 months) objective measurement.

Note: Examples of objective measurements of a response to Rivfloza therapy are reduced urinary oxalate excretion, decreased urinary oxalate: creatinine ratio, or reduced plasma oxalate levels from baseline (i.e., prior to Rivfloza therapy) or improved or stabilized clinical signs/symptoms of Primary Hyperoxaluria Type 1 (e.g., nephrocalcinosis, formation of renal stones, renal impairment).

**Dosing.** Approve the following dosing regimens.

- i. If weight is  $\geq$  50 kg, approve for 160mg once monthly.
- ii. If weight is < 50 kg, approve 3.3 mg/kg once monthly, not to exceed 128mg.

#### **Employer Plans:**

Product	Criteria
Rivfloza (nedosiran	ONE of the following (1 or 2):  1. The patient has tried and, according to the prescriber, has
subcutaneous injection)	experienced inadequate efficacy OR significant intolerance with Oxlumo.
	2. The patient has already been started on therapy with Rivfloza.

When coverage is available and medically necessary, the dosage, frequency, duration of therapy, and site of care should be reasonable, clinically appropriate, and supported by evidence-based literature and adjusted based upon severity, alternative available treatments, and previous response to therapy.

Receipt of sample product does not satisfy any criteria requirements for coverage.

## **Conditions Not Covered**

Any other use is considered experimental, investigational, or unproven, including the following (this list may not be all inclusive; criteria will be updated as new published data are available):

- **1. Primary Hyperoxaluria Type 2 (PH2).** Rivfloza may have benefit in PH2; however, the efficacy and safety of Rivfloza in patients with PH2 have not been established. Clinical trials are ongoing.
- **2. Primary Hyperoxaluria Type 3 (PH3).** Rivfloza may have benefit in PH3; however, the efficacy and safety of Rivfloza in patients with PH3 have not been established. Clinical trials are ongoing.
- **3. Primary Hyperoxaluria with end stage renal disease (ESRD).** Rivfloza may have benefit in patients with PH1 or PH2 and ESRD; however, the efficacy and safety of Rivfloza in this patient population have not been established. Clinical trials are ongoing.
- **4.** Concurrent use of Rivfloza with Oxlumo (lumasiran subcutaneous injection). Oxlumo is another small interfering RNA agent and should not be used with Rivfloza.

# Coding Information

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- 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.

# Considered Medically Necessary when criteria in the applicable policy statements listed above are met:

HCPCS Codes	Description
J3490	Unclassified drugs

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## **Revision Details**

Type of Revision	Summary of Changes	Date
New	New policy	06/01/2024

The policy effective date is in force until updated or retired

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