

PHARMACY POLICY STATEMENT North Carolina Marketplace

DRUG NAME	Trikafta (elexacaftor, tezacaftor and ivacaftor tablets; ivacaftor tablets)
BILLING CODE	Must use valid NDC
BENEFIT TYPE	Pharmacy
SITE OF SERVICE ALLOWED	Home
STATUS	Prior Authorization Required

Trikafta (elexacaftor, tezacaftor and ivacaftor tablets; ivacaftor tablets) is a combination of ivacaftor, a CFTR potentiator, tezacaftor, and elexacaftor indicated for the treatment of cystic fibrosis, initially approved by the FDA in 2019. Cystic fibrosis is an autosomal recessive disease in which patients can have abnormal airways secretions, chronic endobronchial infection, and progressive airway obstruction.

Trikafta (elexacaftor, tezacaftor and ivacaftor tablets; ivacaftor tablets) will be considered for coverage when the following criteria are met:

Cystic Fibrosis

For initial authorization:

- 1. Member is at least 6 years of age; AND
- 2. Medication must be prescribed by or in consultation with a pulmonologist or an infectious disease specialist; AND
- 3. Member has a diagnosis of cystic fibrosis; AND
- 4. Member has had genetic testing documented in chart notes with at least one F508del mutation in the CFTR gene OR
- 5. Member has at least one of the following mutations in the CFTR gene: 3141del9, E822K, G1069R, L967S, R117L, S912L, 546insCTA, F191V, G1244E, L997F, R117P, S945L, A46D, F311del, G1249R, L1077P, R170H, S977F, A120T, F311L, G1349D, L1324P, R258G, S1159F, A234D, F508C, H139R, L1335P, R334L, S1159P, A349V, F508C; S1251N, H199Y, L1480P, R334Q, S1251N, A455E, F508del, H939R, M152V, R347H, S1255P, A554E, F575Y, H1054D, M265R, R347L, T338I, A1006E, F1016S, H1085P, M952I, R347P, T1036N, A1067T, F1052V, H1085R, M952T, R352Q, T1053I, D110E, F1074L, H1375P, M1101K, R352W, V201M, D110H, F1099L, I148T, P5L, R553Q, V232D, D192G, G27R, I175V, P67L, R668C, V456A, D443Y, G85E, I336K, P205S, R751L, V456F, D443Y;G576A;R668C, G126D, I502T, P574H, R792G, V562I, D579G, G178E, I601F, Q98R, R933G, V754M, D614G, G178R, I618T, Q237E, R1066H, V1153E, D836Y, G194R, I807M, Q237H, R1070Q, V1240G, D924N, G194V, I980K, Q359R, R1070W, V1293G, D979V, G314E, I1027T, Q1291R, R1162L, W361R, D1152H, G463V, I1139V, R31L, R1283M, W1098C, D1270N, G480C, I1269N, R74Q, R1283S, W1282R, E56K, G551D, I1366N, R74W, S13F, Y109N, E60K, G551S, K1060T, R74W;D1270N, S341P, Y161D, E92K, G576A, L15P, R74W;V201M, S364P, Y161S, E116K, G576A;R668C, L165S, R74W;V201M;D1270N, S492F, Y563N, E193K, G622D, L206W, R75Q, S549N, Y1014C, E403D, G628R, L320V, R117C, S549R, Y1032C, E474K, G970D, L346P, R117G, S589N, E588V, G1061R, L453S, R117H, S737F
- 6. **Dosage allowed/Quantity limit:** (84 tablet carton for 28 days)



Recommended Dosage for Adult and Pediatric Patients aged 6 Years and Older		
Age	Morning Dose	Evening Dose
6 to less than 12 years weighing less than 30 kgs	Two tablets, each containing elexacaftor 50 mg/tezacaftor 25 mg/ivacaftor 37.5 mg	One tablet of ivacaftor 75 mg
6 to less than 12 years weighing 30 kgs or more	Two tablets, each containing elexacaftor 100 mg/tezacaftor 50 mg/ivacaftor 75 mg	One tablet of ivacaftor 150 mg
12 years and older	Two tablets, each containing elexacaftor 100 mg/tezacaftor 50 mg/ivacaftor 75 mg	One tablet of ivacaftor 150 mg

^{*} Morning and evening dose should be taken approximately 12 hours apart

If all the above requirements are met, the medication will be approved for 3 months.

For reauthorization:

- 1. Member must be in compliance with all other initial criteria; AND
- 2. Member's adherence to medication is confirmed by claims history; AND
- 3. Chart notes must show improvement or stabilized signs and symptoms of disease demonstrated by any of the following:
 - a) Improved FEV1 and/or other lung function tests
 - b) Improvement in sweat chloride
 - c) Decrease in pulmonary exacerbations
 - d) Decrease in pulmonary infections
 - e) Increase in weight-gain
 - f) Decrease in hospitalizations

If all the above requirements are met, the medication will be approved for an additional 12 months.

CareSource considers Trikafta (elexacaftor, tezacaftor and ivacaftor tablets; ivacaftor tablets) not medically necessary for the treatment of conditions that are not listed in this document. For any other indication, please refer to the Off-Label policy.

DATE	ACTION/DESCRIPTION
11/12/2019	New policy for Trikafta created.
12/31/2020	New approved FDA mutations included. Diagnosis of cystic fibrosis added to initial criteria.
08/09/2021	Changed lower age limit to 6 years.
04/27/2022	Policy transferred to new template. Added dose information for children aged 6 to 11.

References:

- 1. Trikafta [prescribing information]. Boston, MA: Vertex Pharmaceuticals Inc; October 2021.
- 2. Ren CL, Morgan RL, Oermann C, et al. Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Pulmonary Guidelines. Use of Cystic Fibrosis Transmembrane Conductance Regulator Modulator Therapy in Patients with Cystic Fibrosis. *Ann Am Thorac Soc.* 2018;15(3):271-280. doi:10.1513/AnnalsATS.201707-539OT.

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