

PHARMACY POLICY STATEMENT

Georgia Medicaid

DRUG NAME	Lemtrada (alemtuzumab)
BILLING CODE	J0202 (1 unit = 1 mg)
BENEFIT TYPE	Medical
SITE OF SERVICE ALLOWED	Outpatient Hospital
COVERAGE REQUIREMENTS	Prior Authorization Required (Non-Preferred Product) QUANTITY LIMIT – 60 mg
LIST OF DIAGNOSES CONSIDERED NOT MEDICALLY NECESSARY	Click Here

Lemtrada (alemtuzumab) is a **non-preferred** product and will only be considered for coverage under the **medical** benefit when the following criteria are met:

Members must be clinically diagnosed with one of the following disease states and meet their individual criteria as stated.

RELAPSING-REMITTING MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS (RRMS), SECONDARY PROGRESSIVE MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS (SPMS)

For **initial** authorization:

1. Member must be 17 years of age or older; AND
2. Medication must be prescribed by, or in consultation with, or under the guidance of a neurologist; AND
3. Chart notes have been provided confirming diagnosis of Multiple Sclerosis; AND
4. Member has documented trial and failure or contraindication to at least **two** preferred multiple sclerosis agents (two injectable drugs OR two oral drugs OR one injectable and one oral drug).
5. **Dosage allowed:** Initial course 12 mg per day for 5 consecutive days (60 mg total dose).

If member meets all the requirements listed above, the medication will be approved for 12 months.

For **reauthorization**:

1. Member must be in compliance with all other initial criteria; AND
2. Doses of Lemtrada separated by at least 12 months.

If member meets all the reauthorization requirements above, the medication will be approved for an additional 12 months.

CareSource considers Lemtrada (alemtuzumab) not medically necessary for the treatment of the following disease states based on a lack of robust clinical controlled trials showing superior efficacy compared to currently available treatments:

- Clinically Isolated Syndrome (CIS) in Multiple Sclerosis
- Autoimmune disease
- Chronic lymphoid leukemia
- Malignant tumor of lymphoid hemopoietic and related tissue
- Primary cutaneous T-cell lymphoma, Relapsed or refractory
- Renal transplant rejection, Induction therapy; Prophylaxis

- T-cell prolymphocytic leukemia

DATE	ACTION/DESCRIPTION
06/13/2017	New policy for Lemtrada created. Not covered diagnosis added. Trials of two formulary agents required.
12/06/2017	Age coverage expanded. Confirmation of diagnosis based on McDonald criteria is no longer required.

References:

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