

## PHARMACY POLICY STATEMENT

### Kentucky Medicaid

DRUG NAME	Mavenclad (cladribine)
BILLING CODE	Must use valid NDC code
BENEFIT TYPE	Pharmacy
SITE OF SERVICE ALLOWED	Home
COVERAGE REQUIREMENTS	Prior Authorization Required (Non-Preferred Product) QUANTITY LIMIT— based on weight
LIST OF DIAGNOSES CONSIDERED <b>NOT</b> MEDICALLY NECESSARY	<a href="#">Click Here</a>

Mavenclad (cladribine) is a **non-preferred** product and will only be considered for coverage under the **pharmacy** 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, ACTIVE SECONDARY PROGRESSIVE MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS

For **initial** authorization:

1. Member is 18 years old 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 must have a documented negative TB test (i.e., tuberculosis skin test (PPD), an interferon-release assay (IGRA)) within 12 months prior to starting therapy; AND
5. Chart notes submitted with baseline of ALL of the following:
  - a) Complete blood count;
  - b) Lymphocyte count;
  - c) Liver function test; AND
6. Member does **not** have any of the following:
  - a) Current malignancy;
  - b) HIV infection;
  - c) Active chronic infections (e.g., hepatitis or tuberculosis); AND
7. One of the following:
  - a) If female, she must:
    - i) be post-menopausal or surgically sterilized; OR
    - ii) uses a hormonal contraceptive, intra uterine device, diaphragm with spermicide, or condom with spermicide, for the duration of the treatment; AND
    - iii) be neither pregnant nor breast-feeding;
  - b) If male, he must be willing to use contraception to avoid pregnancies; AND
8. 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) and one of the following infusions: Lemtrada, Tysabri or Ocrevus.
9. **Dosage allowed:** Cumulative dosage of 3.5 mg/kg administered orally and divided into 2 treatment courses (1.75 mg/kg per treatment course). Each treatment course is divided into 2 treatment cycles.

Drug dose in mg and amount of tablets per cycle depend on member's weight, please see prescribing information for details.

Administration of First Treatment Course:

First Cycle: start any time.

Second Cycle: administer 23 to 27 days after the last dose of First Course/First Cycle.

Administration of Second Treatment Course:

First Cycle: administer at least 43 weeks after the last dose of First Course/Second Cycle.

Second Cycle: administer 23 to 27 days after the last dose of Second Course/First Cycle.

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

For reauthorization:

1. Medication will not be reauthorized since the safety and efficacy of reinitiating Mavenclad more than 2 years after completing 2 treatment courses has not been studied.

**CareSource considers Mavenclad (cladribine) 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

DATE	ACTION/DESCRIPTION
07/02/2019	New policy for Mavenclad created.

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