

PHARMACY POLICY STATEMENT		
Ohio Medicaid		
DRUG NAME	Oxervate (cenegermin-bkbj)	
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— 8 kits per eye for 8 weeks (per lifetime)	
LIST OF DIAGNOSES CONSIDERED <b>NOT</b> MEDICALLY NECESSARY	Click Here	

Oxervate (cenegermin-bkbj) 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.

## **NEUROTROPHIC KERATITIS**

For **initial** authorization:

- 1. Member must be 2 years of age or older; AND
- 2. Medication must be prescribed by or in consultation with an ophthalmologist or neurologist; AND
- 3. Member has a diagnosis of stage 2 (persistent epithelial defect) or stage 3 (corneal ulcer) neurotrophic keratitis, confirmed by a corneal sensitivity test (documentation required); AND
- 4. Member has had a trial and failure of preservative-free artificial tears for at least 14 days (with progression of corneal damage); AND
- 5. Member does NOT have severe corneal thinning (i.e., involving posterior third of the stroma), corneal melting or perforation in the affected eye.
- 6. **Dosage allowed:** 1 drop to affected eye(s) 6 times per day (2-hour intervals).

If member meets all the requirements listed above, the medication will be approved for 8 weeks.

For **reauthorization**: Not applicable. There is insufficient data to support re-treatment of the same eye.

## CareSource considers Oxervate (cenegermin-bkbj) not medically necessary for the treatment of the diseases that are not listed in this document.

DATE	ACTION/DESCRIPTION	
09/16/2020	New policy for Oxervate created.	

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