

# PHARMACY POLICY STATEMENT

## Arkansas PASSE

DRUG NAME	Macrilen (macimorelin)
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— for weight ≤ 120 kg - 1 pouch >120 kg - 2 pouches
LIST OF DIAGNOSES CONSIDERED <b>NOT</b> MEDICALLY NECESSARY	<a href="#">Click Here</a>

Macrilen (macimorelin) 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.

## DIAGNOSTIC USE FOR GROWTH HORMONE DEFICIENCY

For **initial** authorization:

1. Member is age 18 years or older; AND
2. Medication must be prescribed by an endocrinologist; AND
3. Member's weight is documented on chart notes and member's BMI is  $\leq 40 \text{ kg/m}^2$ ; AND
4. Member must have a contraindication to ALL other diagnostic tests (insulin tolerance test, glucagon stimulation test, arginine, clonidine, levodopa, or arginine combined with levodopa) for growth hormone deficiency.
5. **Dosage allowed:** 0.5 mg/kg as single dose.

***If member meets all the requirements listed above, the medication will be approved for a one-time fill and will not be reauthorized.***

**CareSource considers Macrilen (macimorelin) not medically necessary for the diagnosis or treatment of the diseases that are not listed in this document.**

DATE	ACTION/DESCRIPTION
10/20/2018	New policy for Macrilen created.

## References:

1. Macrilen [prescribing information]. Trevose, PA: Strongbridge US Inc.; Revised January 2018.
2. Garcia JM et al., *J Clin Endocrinol Metab*. 2018 May 31.
3. Diagnosis of growth hormone deficiency in childhood. *Curr Opin Endocrinol Diabetes Obes*. 2012;19(1):47-52.

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