

# STANDARD COMMERCIAL DRUG FORMULARY PRIOR AUTHORIZATION GUIDELINES

### **AZTREONAM INHALED**

Generic	Brand	HICL	GCN	Exception/Other
AZTREONAM	CAYSTON		28039	
LYSINE				

This drug requires a written request for prior authorization.

### **GUIDELINES FOR USE**

1. Does the patient have a diagnosis of cystic fibrosis?

If yes, continue to #2. If no, do not approve.

**DENIAL TEXT:** See the denial text at the end of the guideline.

2. Is the patient at least 7 years old?

If yes, continue to #3. If no, do not approve.

**DENIAL TEXT:** See the denial text at the end of the guideline.

3. Does the patient have a lung infection with a Gram negative species (such as *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*; not *Staphylococcus aureus* because it is not a Gram negative species)?

If yes, approve for 12 months for 6 fills of #84 vials per 56 days.

If no, do not approve.

**DENIAL TEXT:** See the denial text at the end of the guideline.

**DENIAL TEXT:** Approval requires a diagnosis of cystic fibrosis, patient age of at least 7 years, and lung infection with a Gram negative species.

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### **RATIONALE**

Promote appropriate utilization of Cayston based on FDA approved indication.

**Dosage:** One ampule three times daily in repeated cycles of 28 days on drug followed by 28 days off drug.

### FDA APPROVED INDICATION

Cayston is indicated to improve respiratory symptoms in cystic fibrosis patients with *Pseudomonas* aeruginosa. Safety and effectiveness have not been established in pediatric patients below the age of 7 years, patients with  $FEV_1 < 25\%$  or >75% predicted, or patients colonized with *Burkholderia cepacia*.

### **REFERENCES**

• Gilead Sciences, Inc. Cayston package insert. Foster City, CA. February 2010.

Library	Commercial	NSA
Yes	Yes	No

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