

# STANDARD COMMERCIAL DRUG FORMULARY PRIOR AUTHORIZATION GUIDELINES

## **PEGCETACOPLAN**

Generic	Brand	HICL	GCN	Medi-Span	Exception/Other
PEGCETACOPLAN	EMPAVELI	47380		GPI-10	
				(8580406500)	

#### **GUIDELINES FOR USE**

## INITIAL CRITERIA (NOTE: FOR RENEWAL CRITERIA SEE BELOW)

- 1. Does the patient have a diagnosis of paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria (PNH) and meet **ALL** of the following criteria?
  - The patient is 18 years of age or older
  - Therapy is prescribed by or given in consultation with a hematologist
  - The patient has documented confirmation of PNH by flow cytometry demonstrating ALL of the following:
    - At least 2 different GPI-protein deficiencies (e.g., CD55, CD59) on at least 2 cell lineages (e.g., erythrocytes, granulocytes)
    - PNH granulocyte clone size of 10% or greater
  - The patient is NOT concurrently using C5 complement inhibitor therapy (e.g., Soliris, Ultomiris)
  - The patient has tried and failed Soliris or Ultomiris as evidenced by hemoglobin levels <10.5 g/dL directly following at least 3 months of stable dosing

If yes, approve for 4 months by HICL or GPI-10 with a quantity limit of #200mL per 30 days.

If no, do not approve.

INITIAL DENIAL TEXT: \*Some terms are already pre-defined in parenthesis. Please use these definitions if the particular text you need to use does not already have definition(s) in it.

Our guideline named **PEGCETACOPLAN** (**Empaveli**) requires the following rule(s) be met for approval:

- You have paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria (PNH: a rare disorder that causes red blood cells break)
- B. You are 18 years of age or older
- C. Therapy is prescribed by or given in consultation with a hematologist (blood specialist) (*Initial denial text continued on next page*)

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## **INITIAL CRITERIA (CONTINUED)**

- D. You have documented confirmation of PNH by flow cytometry (type of measurement of physical and chemical qualities of cells) demonstrating ALL of the following:
  - 1. At least 2 different GPI-protein deficiencies (missing a certain type of protein such as CD55, CD59) on at least 2 cell lineages (types of cells such as erythrocytes, granulocytes)
  - 2. PNH granulocyte clone size of 10% or greater
- E. You have tried and failed Soliris or Ultomiris as evidenced by hemoglobin (type of protein in red blood cells) levels less than 10.5 g/dL, directly following at least 3 months of stable dosing
- F. You are not concurrently (at the same time) using C5 complement inhibitor therapy (such as Soliris, Ultomiris)

Your doctor told us [INSERT PT SPECIFIC INFO PROVIDED]. We do not have information showing you [INSERT UNMET CRITERIA]. This is why your request is denied. Please work with your doctor to use a different medication or get us more information if it will allow us to approve this request.

## **RENEWAL CRITERIA**

- 1. Does the patient have a diagnosis of paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria (PNH) and meet **ALL** of the following criteria?
  - The patient had a clinical benefit while on Empaveli (e.g., reduction in number of blood transfusions, improvement/stabilization of lactate dehydrogenase (LDH) or hemoglobin levels) compared to baseline (baseline defined as patient condition post treatment with Soliris or Ultomiris)
  - The patient is NOT concurrently using a C5 complement inhibitor therapy (e.g., Soliris, Ultomiris)

If yes, approve for 12 months by HICL or GPI-10 with a quantity limit of #200mL per 30 days.

If no, do not approve.

RENEWAL DENIAL TEXT: \*Some terms are already pre-defined in parenthesis. Please use these definitions if the particular text you need to use does not already have definition(s) in it.

Our guideline named **PEGCETACOPLAN (Empaveli)** requires the following rule(s) be met for renewal:

A. You have paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria (PNH: a rare disorder that causes red blood cells break)

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## **RENEWAL CRITERIA (CONTINUED)**

- B. You are not concurrently (at the same time) using a C5 complement inhibitor therapy (such as Soliris, Ultomiris)
- C. You had a clinical benefit while on Empaveli (such as reduction in number of blood transfusions [adding blood to your body], improvement/stabilization of lactate dehydrogenase [LDH: type of enzyme] or hemoglobin levels [type of protein in red blood cells]) compared to baseline (baseline defined as your condition post treatment with Soliris or Ultomiris)

Your doctor told us [INSERT PT SPECIFIC INFO PROVIDED]. We do not have information showing you [INSERT UNMET CRITERIA]. This is why your request is denied. Please work with your doctor to use a different medication or get us more information if it will allow us to approve this request.

#### **RATIONALE**

For further information, please refer to the Prescribing Information and/or Drug Monograph for Empaveli.

#### **REFERENCES**

Empaveli [Prescribing Information]. Waltham, MA: Apellis Pharmaceuticals, Inc., May 2021.

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Yes	Yes	No

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