

## STANDARD COMMERCIAL DRUG FORMULARY PRIOR AUTHORIZATION GUIDELINES

## **PEGFILGRASTIM**

Generic	Brand	HICL	GCN	Medi-Span	Exception/Other
PEGFILGRASTIM	NEULASTA,	23255		GPI-10	
	NEULASTA ONPRO			(8240157000)	

#### **GUIDELINES FOR USE**

- 1. Is the request to increase survival in a patient acutely exposed to myelosuppressive doses of radiation (hematopoietic syndrome of acute radiation syndrome) **AND** does the patient meet the following criterion?
  - Therapy is prescribed by or in consultation with a hematologist or oncologist

If yes, continue to #4. If no, continue to #2.

- 2. Does the patient have a non-myeloid malignancy and meet ALL of the following criteria?
  - Therapy is prescribed by or in consultation with a hematologist or oncologist
  - The patient is receiving myelosuppressive anti-cancer drugs associated with a significant incidence of severe neutropenia with fever

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

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

- 3. Is the request for Neulasta Onpro kit AND the patient meets the following criterion?
  - The patient has a barrier to access (e.g., travel barriers, or the patient is unable to return to the clinic for Neulasta injections)

If yes, approve Neulasta Onpro for 12 months by GPID or GPI-14. If no, continue to #4.

4. Has the patient had a trial of or contraindication to the preferred agent: Nyvepria (pegfilgrastimapgf)?

If yes, approve for 12 months by HICL or GPI-10.

If no, do not approve.

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

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### **GUIDELINES FOR USE (CONTINUED)**

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 **PEGFILGRASTIM** (Neulasta, Neulasta Onpro) requires the following rule(s) be met for approval:

- A. The request is for ONE of the following:
  - 1. You will be using Neulasta to increase survival if you have been acutely exposed to myelosuppressive doses of radiation (radiation that affects your blood and bone marrow)
  - 2. You have a non-myeloid malignancy (cancer not affecting bone marrow)
- B. If you have a non-myeloid malignancy, approval also requires:
  - 1. Therapy is prescribed by or in consultation with a hematologist (a type of blood doctor) or oncologist (a type of cancer doctor)
  - 2. You are receiving myelosuppressive anti-cancer medications associated with a significant incidence of severe neutropenia (medications that affect the bone marrow and cause low levels of a type of white blood cell) with fever
  - 3. You meet ONE of the following:
    - a. The request is for Neulasta AND you had a trial of or contraindication (harmful for) to the preferred medication: Nyvepria (pegfilgrastim-apgf)
    - b. The request is for Neulasta Onpro AND you have a barrier to access (such as travel barriers, or you are unable to return to the clinic for Neulasta injections)
- C. If the request is to increase survival if you have been acutely exposed to myelosuppressive doses of radiation, approval also requires:
  - 1. Therapy is prescribed by or in consultation with a hematologist (a type of blood doctor) or oncologist (a type of cancer doctor)
  - 2. You had a trial of or contraindication (harmful for) to the preferred medication: Nyvepria (pegfilgrastim-apgf)

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.

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#### **RATIONALE**

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

#### **REFERENCES**

Neulasta [Prescribing Information]. Thousand Oaks, CA: Amgen Inc.; February 2021.

Library	Commercial	NSA
Yes	Yes	No

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