



MEDICATION POLICY

Generic Name: Aprepitant, Fosaprepitant

Therapeutic Class or Brand Name: Emend®

Applicable Drugs (if Therapeutic Class): N/A

Date of Origin: 2/1/13

Date Last Reviewed/Revised: 9/29/16

GPI Code: 5028002000, 5028003510

Prior Authorization Criteria (may be considered medically necessary when criterion I is met):

- I. Documented diagnosis of one of the following conditions A through B AND must meet criteria listed under applicable diagnosis:
 - A. Prevention of chemotherapy induced nausea and vomiting (CINV) associated with moderately- or highly-emetogenic antineoplastic agents (as defined in Appendix) and criterion 1 is met:
 1. Minimum age requirement: 6 months old.
 - B. Prevention of postoperative nausea and vomiting (PONV) AND criteria 1 and 2 are met:
 1. Documented trial and failure of, intolerance to, or contraindication to two preferred 5-HT₃ receptor antagonists (i.e. granisetron and ondansetron).
 2. Minimum age requirement: 18 years old.

Exclusion Criteria:

- Emend® should not be used concurrently with pimozone, terfenadine, astemizole, or cisapride, since inhibition of CYP3A4 by aprepitant could result in elevated plasma concentrations of these drugs, potentially causing serious or life-threatening reactions.

Other Criteria:

- N/A

Quantity/Days Supply Restrictions:

- Capsules:
 - CINV: Up to three capsules (i.e. one 125mg capsule plus two 80mg capsules) per prescription.
 - PONV: One 40mg capsule per prescription.

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- Injection: 1 vial per prescription.
- Suspension: Up to three suspension pouches per prescription.

Approval Length:

- **Authorization:** 6 months.
- **Re-Authorization:** An updated letter of medical necessity or progress notes showing that current prior authorization criteria are met and that the medication is effective.

Appendix:

Emetic Risk Classification for IV Antineoplastic Agents ^a

High	AC: cyclophosphamide + anthracycline (doxorubicin, epirubicin) carmustine (BiCNU) > 250 mg/m ² cisplatin cyclophosphamide > 1,500 mg/m ² dacarbazine doxorubicin ≥ 60 mg/m ² epirubicin > 90 mg/m ² ifosfamide ≥ 2 g/m ² /dose mechlorethamine (Mustargen) streptozocin (Zanosar)	
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^b May be designated at a higher emetic risk if at a higher dose or used in certain combinations (i.e. with cyclophosphamide).

References:

1. http://www.nccn.org/professionals/physician_gls/pdf/antiemesis.pdf.
2. <https://medicaid.utah.gov/pharmacy/priorauthorization/pdf/Emend.pdf>.

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3. <http://blue.regence.com/trgmedpol/drugs/dru315.pdf>.
4. <http://blue.regence.com/trgmedpol/drugs/dru378.pdf>.
5. [NPS](#).
6. http://www.merck.com/product/usa/pi_circulars/e/emend/emend_pi.pdf?WT.mc_id=N02N3.
7. http://www.merck.com/product/usa/pi_circulars/e/emend_iv/emend_iv_pi.pdf.

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Historical Tracking Of Changes Made To Policy										
9/29/2016	<p>1. Changed “I. Documented diagnosis of one of the following conditions A through B AND must meet criteria listed under applicable diagnosis: A. Prevention of chemotherapy induced nausea and vomiting (CINV) associated with moderately- or highly-emetogenic antineoplastic agents (as defined in Appendix); B. Prevention of postoperative nausea and vomiting (PONV) AND criterion 1 is met: 1. Documented trial and failure of, intolerance to, or contraindication to two preferred 5-HT3 receptor antagonists (i.e. granisetron and ondansetron); II. Minimum age requirement: 18 years old” to “I. Documented diagnosis of one of the following conditions A through B AND must meet criteria listed under applicable diagnosis: A. Prevention of chemotherapy induced nausea and vomiting (CINV) associated with moderately- or highly-emetogenic antineoplastic agents (as defined in Appendix) and criterion 1 is met: 1. Minimum age requirement: 6 months old; B. Prevention of postoperative nausea and vomiting (PONV) AND criteria 1 and 2 are met: 1. Documented trial and failure of, intolerance to, or contraindication to two preferred 5-HT3 receptor antagonists (i.e. granisetron and ondansetron); 2. Minimum age requirement: 18 years old” under Prior Authorization Criteria.</p> <p>2. Added “Suspension: Up to three suspension pouches per prescription” under Quantity/Days Supply Restrictions.</p> <p>3. Added the following to the table under Appendix: Emetic Risk Classification for IV Antineoplastic Agents^a</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse; margin-left: 20px;"> <tr> <td style="width: 20%;">Moderate</td> <td>dinutuximab (Unituxin)</td> <td>trabectedin (Yondelis)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Low</td> <td>irinotecan liposomal (Onivyde) necitumumab (Portrazza)</td> <td>talimogene laherparepvec (Imlygic)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Minimal</td> <td>daratumumab (Darzalex)</td> <td>elotuzumab (Empliciti)</td> </tr> </table>	Moderate	dinutuximab (Unituxin)	trabectedin (Yondelis)	Low	irinotecan liposomal (Onivyde) necitumumab (Portrazza)	talimogene laherparepvec (Imlygic)	Minimal	daratumumab (Darzalex)	elotuzumab (Empliciti)
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4/11/2015	<p>1. Changed “I. Documented diagnosis of prevention of nausea and vomiting associated with moderately- or highly-emetogenic chemotherapy (as defined in Appendix)” to “I. Documented diagnosis of one of the following conditions A through B AND must meet criteria listed under applicable diagnosis: A. Prevention of chemotherapy induced nausea and vomiting (CINV) associated with moderately- or highly-emetogenic antineoplastic agents (as defined in Appendix); B. Prevention of postoperative nausea and vomiting (PONV) AND criterion 1 is met: 1. Documented trial and failure of, intolerance to, or contraindication to two preferred 5-HT3 receptor antagonists (i.e. granisetron and ondansetron)” under Prior Authorization Criteria.</p> <p>2. Changed “Capsules: 3 capsules (one 125mg capsule plus two 80mg capsules) per prescription” to “Capsules: CINV: Up to three capsules (i.e. one 125mg capsule plus two 80mg capsules) per prescription; PONV: One 40mg capsule per prescription” under Quantity/Days Supply Restrictions.</p> <p>3. Changed table under Appendix from: Emetic Risk Classification for IV Chemotherapy^a</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse; margin-left: 20px;"> <tr> <td style="width: 20%;">High</td> <td colspan="2">AC: cyclophosphamide + anthracycline (daunorubicin, doxorubicin, epirubicin, idarubicin) carmustine cisplatin cyclophosphamide >1,500 mg/m² dacarbazine (DTIC) dactinomycin doxorubicin >60 mg/m² epirubicin >90 mg/m² ifosfamide ≥ 2gm/m²/dose mechlorethamine</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Moderate</td> <td>aldesleukin (Proleukin) > 12-15 million IU/m² alemtuzumab (Campath) amifostine >300 mg/m²</td> <td>daunorubicin^b doxorubicin ≤60 mg/m^{2b} epirubicin ≤ 90 mg/ m^{2b}</td> </tr> </table>	High	AC: cyclophosphamide + anthracycline (daunorubicin, doxorubicin, epirubicin, idarubicin) carmustine cisplatin cyclophosphamide >1,500 mg/m ² dacarbazine (DTIC) dactinomycin doxorubicin >60 mg/m ² epirubicin >90 mg/m ² ifosfamide ≥ 2gm/m ² /dose mechlorethamine		Moderate	aldesleukin (Proleukin) > 12-15 million IU/m ² alemtuzumab (Campath) amifostine >300 mg/m ²	daunorubicin ^b doxorubicin ≤60 mg/m ^{2b} epirubicin ≤ 90 mg/ m ^{2b}			
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	5. Removed “ http://blue.regence.com/trgmedpol/drugs/dru091.pdf ” from References (link no longer valid). 6. Updated “ http://www.health.utah.gov/medicaid/pharmacy/priorauthorization/pdf/Emend.pdf ” to “ https://medicaid.utah.gov/pharmacy/priorauthorization/pdf/Emend.pdf ” under References .
12/2/2013	1. Adapted policy to new format. 2. Added “fosaprepitant” to Generic Name. 3. Added GPI code for fosaprepitant. 4. Changed “Patients receiving cancer chemotherapy regimens that are classified as high emetic risk may receive Emend® as first-line treatment; Patients on other cancer chemotherapy regimens must have failed or have a contraindication to all preferred 5-HT3 receptor antagonists (i.e. granisetron and ondansetron)” to “Documented diagnosis of prevention of nausea and vomiting associated with moderately- or highly-emetogenic chemotherapy (as defined in Appendix)” under Prior Authorization Criteria. 5. Added “Minimum age requirement: 18 years old” to Prior Authorization Criteria. 6. Added “Emend® should not be used concurrently with pimoziide, terfenadine, astemizole, or cisapride, since inhibition of CYP3A4 by aprepitant could result in elevated plasma concentrations of these drugs, potentially causing serious or life-threatening reactions” to Exclusion Criteria. 7. Changed Quantity/Days Supply Restrictions from “Capsules: 5 capsules per prescription” to “Capsules: 3 capsules (one 125mg capsule plus two 80mg capsules) per prescription”. 8. Changed Authorization under Approval Length from “6 months, 3 doses per chemotherapy session” to “6 months”. 9. Changed Re-Authorization under Approval Length from “Updated letter of medical necessity” to “An updated letter of medical necessity or progress notes showing that current prior authorization criteria are met and that the medication is effective”. 10. Updated references to include Regence Aloxi policy (used for table in Appendix) and Emend package inserts.

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