



## MEDICATION POLICY

**Generic Name:** Imatinib

**Therapeutic Class or Brand Name:** Gleevec®

**Applicable Drugs** (if Therapeutic Class):

Preferred: Imatinib tablets (generic)

Non-Preferred: Gleevec® tablets

**Date of Origin:** 2/1/13

**Date Last Reviewed/Revised:** 12/6/17

**GPI Code:** 2153403510

**Prior Authorization Criteria (may be considered medically necessary when criteria I through III are met):**

- I. Documented diagnosis of one of the following conditions A through G AND must meet criteria listed under applicable diagnosis:
  - A. Philadelphia chromosome positive chronic myelogenous leukemia (Ph+ CML) and criterion 1 is met:
    1. Minimum age requirement: 1 year old.
  - B. Gastrointestinal stromal tumor (GIST) and criterion 1 is met:
    1. Minimum age requirement: 18 years old.
  - C. Philadelphia chromosome-positive acute lymphoblastic leukemia (Ph+ ALL) or lymphoma and criterion 1 is met:
    1. Minimum age requirement: 1 year old.
  - D. Myelodysplastic/ myeloproliferative diseases (MDS/MPD) associated with platelet-derived growth factor receptor (PDGFR) gene re-arrangements and criterion 1 is met:
    1. Minimum age requirement: 18 years old.
  - E. Aggressive systemic mastocytosis (ASM) without the D816V c-Kit mutation or with c-Kit mutational status unknown and criterion 1 is met:
    1. Minimum age requirement: 18 years old.
  - F. Hypereosinophilic syndrome (HES) and/or chronic eosinophilic leukemia (CEL) in patients who have the FIPIL1-PDGFR $\alpha$  fusion kinase (mutational analysis or FISH demonstration of CHIC2

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allele deletion) and for patients with HES and/or CEL who are FIP1L1-PDGFR $\alpha$  fusion kinase negative or unknown and criterion 1 is met:

1. Minimum age requirement: 18 years old.

G. Unresectable, recurrent and/or metastatic dermatofibrosarcoma protuberans (DFSP) and criterion 1 is met:

1. Minimum age requirement: 18 years old.

II. The prescribing physician is an oncologist or a hematologist.

III. Non-preferred products (i.e. Gleevec® tablets) require a documented clinical reason containing details as to why generic imatinib is not appropriate or is contraindicated.

### Exclusion Criteria:

- N/A

### Other Criteria:

- N/A

### Quantity/Days Supply Restrictions:

- Doses are limited to 800 mg per day. The quantity is limited to a maximum of a 30 day supply per fill.

### Approval Length:

- **Authorization:** 1 year.
- **Re-Authorization:** An updated letter of medical necessity or progress notes showing current medical necessity criteria are met and that the medication is effective.

### Appendix:

N/A

### References:

1. <http://blue.regence.com/trgmedpol/drugs/dru043.pdf>.
2. Medi-Span.
3. [http://www.pharma.us.novartis.com/product/pi/pdf/gleevec\\_tabs.pdf](http://www.pharma.us.novartis.com/product/pi/pdf/gleevec_tabs.pdf).
4. [https://www.nccn.org/professionals/physician\\_gls/pdf/all.pdf](https://www.nccn.org/professionals/physician_gls/pdf/all.pdf).

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<b>Historical Tracking Of Changes Made To Policy</b>	
12/6/2017	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Removed</b> “<a href="https://www.nccn.org/professionals/physician_gls/pdf/nhl.pdf">https://www.nccn.org/professionals/physician_gls/pdf/nhl.pdf</a>” <b>from References</b> (link no longer valid).</li> </ol>
9/29/2016	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Changed</b> “N/A” to “Preferred: Imatinib tablets (generic); Non-Preferred: Gleevec® tablets” <b>following Applicable Drugs.</b></li> <li><b>Changed</b> “I. C. Philadelphia chromosome-positive acute lymphoblastic leukemia (Ph+ ALL) and criterion 1 is met...” to “I. C. Philadelphia chromosome-positive acute lymphoblastic leukemia (Ph+ ALL) or lymphoma and criterion 1 is met...” <b>under Prior Authorization Criteria.</b></li> <li><b>Added</b> “III. Non-preferred products (i.e. Gleevec® tablets) require a documented clinical reason containing details as to why generic imatinib is not appropriate or is contraindicated” <b>under Prior Authorization Criteria.</b></li> <li><b>Added</b> “<a href="https://www.nccn.org/professionals/physician_gls/pdf/nhl.pdf">https://www.nccn.org/professionals/physician_gls/pdf/nhl.pdf</a>” <b>and</b> “<a href="https://www.nccn.org/professionals/physician_gls/pdf/all.pdf">https://www.nccn.org/professionals/physician_gls/pdf/all.pdf</a>” <b>under References.</b></li> </ol>
3/28/2015	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Policy reviewed: no changes made.</li> </ol>
11/22/2013	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Adapted policy to new format.</b></li> <li><b>Added GPI Code.</b></li> <li><b>Changed</b> "Chronic myelogenous leukemia (CML) with the presence of the Philadelphia (Ph-1) chromosome" to "Philadelphia chromosome positive chronic myelogenous leukemia (Ph+ CML)" <b>under Prior Authorization Criteria.</b></li> <li><b>Added minimum age requirements to all diagnoses listed under Prior Authorization Criteria.</b></li> <li><b>Added</b> “The prescribing physician is an oncologist or a hematologist” <b>under Prior Authorization Criteria.</b></li> <li><b>Changed Quantity/Days Supply Restrictions from</b> “Authorized in quantities of up to 800 mg per day” to “Doses are limited to 800 mg per day. The quantity is limited to a maximum of a 30 day supply per fill”.</li> <li><b>Updated references</b> to include Medi-Span and Gleevec package insert.</li> </ol>

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