



MEDICATION POLICY

Generic Name: Denosumab

Therapeutic Class or Brand Name: Xgeva®

Applicable Drugs (if Therapeutic Class): N/A

Date of Origin: 1/15/16

Date Last Reviewed/Revised: 11/20/17

GPI Code: 30044530002030

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

- I. Documented diagnosis of one of the following conditions A through C AND must meet criteria listed under applicable diagnosis:
 - A. Prevention of skeletal-related events in patients with bone metastases from solid tumors AND criteria 1 through 2 are met:
 1. Documented trial and failure of, intolerance to, or contraindication to IV bisphosphonate therapy (i.e. pamidronate, zoledronic acid).
 2. Minimum age requirement: 18 years old.
 - B. Treatment of giant cell tumor of bone AND criteria 1 through 3 are met:
 1. Tumor is unresectable or surgical resection is contraindicated.
 2. Patient is an adult or skeletally mature adolescent (defined by at least 1 mature long bone [i.e. closed epiphyseal growth plate of the humerus]).
 3. Minimum age requirement: 13 years old.
 - C. Treatment of hypercalcemia of malignancy AND criteria 1 through 3 are met:
 1. Patient has a documented albumin-corrected calcium of greater than 12.5 mg/dL (3.1 mmol/L).
 2. Documented trial and failure of, intolerance to, or contraindication to IV bisphosphonate therapy (i.e. pamidronate, zoledronic acid).
 3. Minimum age requirement: 18 years old.
- II. Prescriber must be an oncologist.

Exclusion Criteria:

- Skeletal-related events in patients with multiple myeloma.
- Hypocalcemia.

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- Coadministration of Xgeva® with Prolia®.

Other Criteria:

- N/A

Quantity/Days Supply Restrictions:

- Bone Metastasis from Solid Tumors: One 120 mg injection every 28 days.
- Giant Cell Tumor of Bone or Hypercalcemia of Malignancy: Three 120 mg injections for the 28 days, then one 120mg injection every 28 days.

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://pi.amgen.com/united_states/xgeva/xgeva_pi.pdf.
2. [Medi-Span.](#)
3. <http://blue.regence.com/trgmedpol/drugs/dru393.pdf>.
4. https://www.nccn.org/professionals/physician_gls/pdf/prostate.pdf.
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Historical Tracking Of Changes Made To Policy	
11/20/2017	1. Changed "I. A. Prevention of skeletal-related events in patients with bone metastases from solid tumors AND criterion 1 is met: 1. Minimum age requirement: 18 years old" to "I. A. Prevention of skeletal-related events in patients with bone metastases from solid tumors AND criteria 1 through 2 are met: 1. Documented trial and failure of, intolerance to, or contraindication to IV bisphosphonate therapy (i.e. pamidronate, zoledronic acid); 2. Minimum age requirement: 18 years old" under Prior Authorization Criteria.
6/16/2016	1. Changed "A. Prevention of skeletal-related events in patients with bone metastases from solid tumors AND criteria 1 and 2 are met: 1. Documented trial and failure of, intolerance to, or contraindication to IV bisphosphonate therapy (i.e. pamidronate, zoledronic acid); B. Minimum age requirement: 18 years old" to "A. Prevention of skeletal-related events in patients with bone metastases from solid tumors AND criterion 1 is met: 1. Minimum age requirement: 18 years old" under Prior Authorization Criteria. 2. Added " https://www.nccn.org/professionals/physician_gls/pdf/prostate.pdf " and " https://www.nccn.org/professionals/physician_gls/pdf/breast.pdf " under References.

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