Pharmacy Medical Necessity Guidelines:
Joenja® (leniolisib)

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Prior Authorization Required	√	Type of Review – Care Management	
Not Covered		Type of Review – Clinical Review	√
Pharmacy (RX) or Medical (MED) Benefit	RX	Department to Review	RXUM
These pharmacy medical necessity guidelines apply to the following: ☒ Tufts Health RITogether – A Rhode Island Medicaid Plan		**Fax Numbers:** RXUM: 617.673.0939	

Note: This guideline does not apply to Medicare Members (includes dual eligible Members).

OVERVIEW

FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION-APPROVED INDICATIONS

Joenja (leniolisib) is a kinase inhibitor indicated for the treatment of activated phosphoinositide 3-kinase delta (PI3Kδ) syndrome (APDS) in adult and pediatric patients 12 years of age and older.

COVERAGE GUIDELINES

The plan may authorize coverage of Joenja (leniolisib) for Members when the following criteria are met:

Initial Authorization Criteria

1. Documented diagnosis of activated phosphoinositide 3-kinase delta syndrome (APDS)

AND

2. Documented APDS-associated PIK3CD/PIK3RI mutation

AND

3. The patient is at least 12 years of age or older

AND

4. Prescribed by or in consultation with a pediatrician, immunologist, hematologist, oncologist, or allergist

Reauthorization Criteria

1. Documented diagnosis of activated phosphoinositide 3-kinase delta syndrome (ADPS)

AND

2. Documented APDS-associated PIK3CD/PIK3RI mutation

AND

3. The patient is at least 12 years of age or older

AND

4. Prescribed by or in consultation with a pediatrician, immunologist, hematologist, oncologist, or allergist

AND

5. Documentation the patient is responding positively to therapy based on provider attestation (i.e., lymph node size, percentage of naïve B cells)

LIMITATIONS

- Initial approval of Joenja will be authorized for six (6) months. Reauthorization of Joenja will be provided in 12-month intervals.
- Members new to the plan stable on Joenja should be reviewed against Reauthorization Criteria.

CODES

None

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APPROVAL HISTORY

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- July 9, 2024: No changes (eff 7/9/24)
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- May 12, 2026: No changes (eff 5/12/26).

BACKGROUND, PRODUCT AND DISCLAIMER INFORMATION

Pharmacy Medical Necessity Guidelines have been developed for determining coverage for plan benefits and are published to provide a better understanding of the basis upon which coverage decisions are made. The plan makes coverage decisions on a case-by-case basis considering the individual member's health care needs. Pharmacy Medical Necessity Guidelines are developed for selected therapeutic classes or drugs found to be safe, but proven to be effective in a limited, defined population of patients or clinical circumstances. They include concise clinical coverage criteria based on current literature review, consultation with practicing physicians in the service area who are medical experts in the particular field, FDA and other government agency policies, and standards adopted by national accreditation organizations. The plan revises and updates Pharmacy Medical Necessity Guidelines annually, or more frequently if new evidence becomes available that suggests needed revisions.

For self-insured plans, coverage may vary depending on the terms of the benefit document. If a discrepancy exists between a Pharmacy Medical Necessity Guideline and a self-insured Member's benefit document, the provisions of the benefit document will govern.

Treating providers are solely responsible for the medical advice and treatment of members. The use of this policy is not a guarantee of payment or a final prediction of how specific claim(s) will be adjudicated. Claims payment is subject to member eligibility and benefits on the date of service, coordination of benefits, referral/authorization and utilization management guidelines when applicable, and adherence to plan policies and procedures and claims editing logic. Provider Services