Clinical Policy: Tazemetostat (Tazverik)
Reference Number: CP.PHAR.452
Effective Date: 03.01.20
Last Review Date: 05.20
Line of Business: Commercial, HIM, Medicaid

See Important Reminder at the end of this policy for important regulatory and legal information.

Description
Tazemetostat (Tazverik™) is a methyltransferase inhibitor.

FDA Approved Indication(s)
Tazverik is indicated for the treatment of adults and pediatric patients aged 16 years and older with metastatic or locally advanced epithelioid sarcoma (ES) not eligible for complete resection.*

*This indication is approved under accelerated approval based on overall response rate and duration of response. Continued approval for this indication may be contingent upon verification and description of clinical benefit in a confirmatory trial(s).

Policy/Criteria
Provider must submit documentation (such as office chart notes, lab results or other clinical information) supporting that member has met all approval criteria.

It is the policy of health plans affiliated with Centene Corporation® that Tazverik is medically necessary when the following criteria are met:

I. Initial Approval Criteria
   A. Epithelioid Sarcoma (must meet all):
      1. Diagnosis of ES;
      2. Prescribed by or in consultation with an oncologist;
      3. Age ≥ 16 years;
      4. Disease is metastatic or locally advanced, and not amenable to complete resection;
      5. Tumor demonstrates loss of INI1 gene expression through inactivation, deletion, or mutation of the INI1 (SMARCB-1) gene;
      6. Tazemetostat is prescribed as monotherapy;
      7. Request meets one of the following (a or b):*
         a. Dose does not exceed 800 mg twice daily;
         b. Dose is supported by practice guidelines or peer-reviewed literature for the relevant off-label use (prescriber must submit supporting evidence).
   *Prescribed regimen must be FDA-approved or recommended by NCCN

Approval duration:
Medicaid/HIM – 6 months
Commercial – Length of Benefit
B. Other diagnoses/indications
   1. Refer to the off-label use policy for the relevant line of business if diagnosis is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized): CP.CPA.09 for commercial, HIM.PHAR.21 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.53 for Medicaid.

II. Continued Therapy
   A. Epithelioid Sarcoma (must meet all):
      1. Currently receiving medication via Centene benefit, or documentation supports that member is currently receiving Tazverik for a covered indication and has received this medication for at least 30 days;
      2. Member is responding positively to therapy;
      3. If request is for a dose increase, request meets one of the following (a or b):*
         a. New dose does not exceed 800 mg twice daily;
         b. New dose is supported by practice guidelines or peer-reviewed literature for the relevant off-label use (prescriber must submit supporting evidence).

      *Prescribed regimen must be FDA-approved or recommended by NCCN.

   Approval duration:
   Medicaid/HIM – 12 months
   Commercial – Length of Benefit

   B. Other diagnoses/indications (must meet 1 or 2):
      1. Currently receiving medication via Centene benefit and documentation supports positive response to therapy.

         Approval duration: Duration of request or 6 months (whichever is less); or

      2. Refer to the off-label use policy for the relevant line of business if diagnosis is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized): CP.CPA.09 for commercial, HIM.PHAR.21 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.53 for Medicaid.

III. Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized:
   A. Non-FDA approved indications, which are not addressed in this policy, unless there is sufficient documentation of efficacy and safety according to the off label use policies – CP.CPA.09 for commercial, HIM.PHAR.21 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.53 for Medicaid or evidence of coverage documents.

IV. Appendices/General Information

   Appendix A: Abbreviation/Acronym Key
   
   ES: epithelioid sarcoma
   FDA: Food and Drug Administration
   NCCN: National Comprehensive Cancer Network
   STS: soft tissue sarcoma

   Appendix B: Therapeutic Alternatives
   Not applicable
V. Dosage and Administration

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<td>800 mg PO BID until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity</td>
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VI. Product Availability

Tablet: 200 mg

VII. References


Reviews, Revisions, and Approvals

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