Clinical Policy: Erenumab-aaoe (Aimovig)
Reference Number: HIM.PA.SP65
Effective Date: 10.01.20
Last Review Date: 09.20
Line of Business: HIM

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

Description
Erenumab-aaoe (Aimovig™) is a calcitonin gene-related peptide (CGRP) receptor antagonist.

FDA Approved Indication(s)
Aimovig is indicated for the preventive treatment of migraine in adults.

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

I. Initial Approval Criteria
   A. Migraine Prophylaxis (must meet all):
      1. Diagnosis of episodic or chronic migraine;
      2. Provider’s attestation that member experiences ≥ 4 migraine days per month for at least 3 months;
      3. Age ≥ 18 years;
      4. Failure of at least 2 of the following oral migraine preventative therapies, each for 8 weeks and from different therapeutic classes, unless contraindicated or clinically significant adverse effects are experienced: antiepileptic drugs (e.g., divalproex sodium, sodium valproate, topiramate), beta-blockers (e.g., metoprolol, propranolol, timolol), antidepressants (e.g., amitriptyline, venlafaxine);
      5. Aimovig is not prescribed concurrently with Botox® or other injectable CGRP inhibitors (e.g., Ajovy™, Emgality®, Vyepiti™);
      6. Dose does not exceed one of the following (a or b):
         a. 70 mg (1 injection) once monthly;
         b. 140 mg (1 injection) once monthly if medical justification is provided.

   Approval duration: 3 months

   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): HIM.PHAR.21 for health insurance marketplace.

II. Continued Therapy
   A. Migraine Prophylaxis (must meet all):
      1. Currently receiving medication via Centene benefit or member has previously met initial approval criteria;
2. Member has experienced and maintained positive response to therapy as evidenced by provider’s attestation of a reduction in migraine days per month from baseline;
3. Aimovig is not prescribed concurrently with Botox or other injectable CGRP inhibitors (e.g., Ajovy, Emgality);
4. If request is for a dose increase, new dose does not exceed one of the following (a or b):
   a. 70 mg (1 injection) once monthly;
   b. 140 mg (1 injection) once monthly if medical justification is provided.

Approval duration: 6 months

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): HIM.PHAR.21 for health insurance marketplace.

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 – HIM.PHAR.21 for health insurance marketplace.

IV. Appendices/General Information

Appendix A: Abbreviation/Acronym Key
FDA: Food and Drug Administration
CGRP: calcitonin gene-related peptide

Appendix B: Therapeutic Alternatives
This table provides a listing of preferred alternative therapy recommended in the approval criteria. The drugs listed here may not be a formulary agent for all relevant lines of business and may require prior authorization.

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<td>Anticonvulsants such as: divalproex (Depakote®), topiramate (Topamax®), valproate sodium</td>
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<td>Beta-blockers such as: propranolol (Inderal®), metoprolol (Lopressor®)<em>, timolol, atenolol (Tenormin®)</em>, nadolol (Corgard®)*</td>
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*Therapeutic alternatives are listed as Brand name® (generic) when the drug is available by brand name only and generic (Brand name®) when the drug is available by both brand and generic.

*Off-label use

**Appendix C: Contraindications**
- Contraindication(s): serious hypersensitivity to erenumab-aooe or to any of the excipients
- Boxed warning(s): none reported

**Appendix D: General Information**
- In clinical trials, a migraine day was defined as any calendar day in which the patient experiences a qualified migraine headache (onset, continuation, or recurrence of the migraine headache). A qualified migraine headache is defined as a migraine with or without aura, lasting for ≥ 30 minutes, and meeting at least one of the following criteria (a and/or b):
  - a) ≥ 2 of the following pain features: unilateral, throbbing, moderate to severe, exacerbated with exercise/physical activity;
  - b) ≥ 1 of the following associated symptoms: nausea and/or vomiting, photophobia, and phonophobia.

### V. Dosage and Administration

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<td>Migraine prophylaxis</td>
<td>70 mg SC once monthly</td>
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<td>Some patients may benefit from a dosage of 140 mg injected subcutaneously once monthly</td>
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### VI. Product Availability
Single-dose prefilled SureClick® autoinjector or prefilled syringe: 70 mg/mL, 140 mg/mL

### VII. References
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<td>Policy created (adapted from CP.PHAR.128) per September SDC and prior clinical guidance; removed prescriber requirements; clarified provider attestation is required to confirm migraine day requirements.</td>
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