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## Adbry (tralokinumab-ldrm)

### PRODUCTS AFFECTED

Adbry (tralokinumab-ldrm)

### COVERAGE POLICY

*Coverage for services, procedures, medical devices and drugs are dependent upon benefit eligibility as outlined in the member's specific benefit plan. This Coverage Guideline must be read in its entirety to determine coverage eligibility, if any. This Coverage Guideline provides information related to coverage determinations only and does not imply that a service or treatment is clinically appropriate or inappropriate. The provider and the member are responsible for all decisions regarding the appropriateness of care. Providers should provide Molina Healthcare complete medical rationale when requesting any exceptions to these guidelines.*

#### **Documentation Requirements:**

*Molina Healthcare reserves the right to require that additional documentation be made available as part of its coverage determination; quality improvement; and fraud; waste and abuse prevention processes. Documentation required may include, but is not limited to, patient records, test results and credentials of the provider ordering or performing a drug or service. Molina Healthcare may deny reimbursement or take additional appropriate action if the documentation provided does not support the initial determination that the drugs or services were medically necessary, not investigational, or experimental, and otherwise within the scope of benefits afforded to the member, and/or the documentation demonstrates a pattern of billing or other practice that is inappropriate or excessive.*

#### **DIAGNOSIS:**

Moderate-to-severe Atopic Dermatitis

#### **REQUIRED MEDICAL INFORMATION:**

This clinical policy is consistent with standards of medical practice current at the time that this clinical policy was approved. If a drug within this policy receives an updated FDA label within the last 180 days, medical necessity for the member will be reviewed using the updated FDA label information along with state and federal requirements, benefit being administered and formulary preferencing. Coverage will be determined on a case-by case basis until the criteria can be updated through Molina Healthcare, Inc. clinical governance. Additional information may be required on a case-by-case basis to allow for adequate review. When the requested drug product for coverage is dosed by weight, body surface area or other member specific measurement, this data element is required as part of the medical necessity review. The Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee has determined that the drug benefit shall be a mandatory generic and that generic drugs will be dispensed whenever available.

#### **A. MODERATE TO SEVERE ATOPIC DERMATITIS:**

1. Documented diagnosis of moderate to severe chronic atopic dermatitis (eczema)  
AND
2. Prescriber attestation that member has completed or will complete all age-appropriate immunizations prior to initiation of Adbry

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3. Member is not on concurrent treatment with, or Adbry will not be used in combination with TNF- inhibitors, biologic response modifiers or other biologic DMARDs, Janus kinase Inhibitors, Phosphodiesterase 4 inhibitors (i.e., apremilast, tofacitinib, baricitinib), or other potent immunosuppressants such as azathioprine or cyclosporine, as verified by prescriber attestation, member medication fill history, or submitted documentation  
AND
4. (a) Member has atopic dermatitis involvement estimated to be  $\geq 10\%$  of the body surface area (BSA) according to the prescribing physician; AND meets all the following criteria:
  - i. Member has used at least TWO of the following: a medium potency prescription topical corticosteroid, a medium-high potency prescription topical corticosteroid, a high potency prescription topical corticosteroid, OR a super high-potency prescription topical corticosteroid;  
AND
  - ii. Each topical corticosteroid was applied daily for at least 14 consecutive days;  
AND
  - iii. Inadequate efficacy was demonstrated with this topical corticosteroid therapy, according to the prescribing physician  
AND
  - iv. Documentation of inadequate response, serious side effects, contraindication or clinical rationale of inappropriateness to ONE of the following: trial (6 weeks) of preferred/formulary topical calcineurin inhibitor (tacrolimus, pimecrolimus) OR trial (4 weeks) of crisaborole (Eucrisa) OR trial (8 weeks) of Opzelura (ruxolitinib)

OR

- (b) Member has atopic dermatitis involvement estimated to be  $< 10\%$  of the BSA according to the prescribing physician and meets all of the following criteria:
  - i. Member has atopic dermatitis affecting ONLY the following areas: face, eyes/eyelids, skin folds, and/or genitalia.  
AND
  - ii. Documentation of inadequate response, serious side effects, contraindication or clinical rationale of inappropriateness to BOTH of the following: trial (6 weeks) of tacrolimus ointment (Protopic, generics) AND trial (8 weeks) of Opzelura (ruxolitinib)

AND

5. Documentation of prescriber baseline assessment of disease activity (e.g., erythema, induration/papulation/edema, excoriations, lichenification, pruritis, BSA affected, topical requirement, etc.)  
AND
6. IF THIS IS A NON-FORMULARY/NON-PREFERRED PRODUCT: Documentation of trial/failure of or serious side effects to a majority (not more than 3) of the preferred formulary/PDL alternatives for the given diagnosis. Documentation of medication(s) tried, dates of trial(s) and reason for treatment failure(s) is required.

### CONTINUATION OF THERAPY:

#### A. MODERATE TO SEVERE ATOPIC DERMATITIS:

1. Adherence to therapy at least 85% of the time as verified by the prescriber or member medication fill history OR adherence less than 85% of the time due to the need for surgery or treatment of an infection, causing temporary discontinuation  
AND
2. Prescriber attests to or clinical reviewer has found no evidence of adverse effects or drug toxicity (e.g., hypersensitivity or ocular adverse effects)  
AND
3. Documentation of positive clinical response as demonstrated by low disease activity and/or improvements in the condition's signs and symptoms (e.g., marked improvements in erythema, induration/papulation/edema, excoriations, and lichenification; reduced pruritus; decreased

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requirement for other topical or systemic therapies; reduced body surface area (BSA) affected with atopic dermatitis; or other responses observed)

### **DURATION OF APPROVAL:**

Initial authorization: 6 months, Continuation of Therapy: 12 months

### **PRESCRIBER REQUIREMENTS:**

Prescribed by or in consultation with an allergist, immunologist, or dermatologist. If prescribed in consultation, consultation notes must be submitted with initial request and reauthorization requests.

### **AGE RESTRICTIONS:**

12 years of age or older

### **QUANTITY:**

Adult (18 years and older):

Initial loading dose: 600 mg (four 150 mg injections)

Maintenance dose: 300 mg (two 150 mg injections) every other week

*Note: After 16 weeks of treatment, for adult members with body weight below 100 kg who achieve clear or almost clear skin, a dosage of 300 mg every 4 weeks may be considered.*

Pediatric (12-17 years old):

Initial loading dose: 300 mg (two 150 mg injections)

Maintenance dose: 150 mg (one 150 mg injection) every other week

### **PLACE OF ADMINISTRATION:**

The recommendation is that injectable medications in this policy will be for pharmacy benefit coverage and patient self-administered.

## DRUG INFORMATION

### **ROUTE OF ADMINISTRATION:**

Subcutaneous

### **DRUG CLASS:**

Atopic Dermatitis - Monoclonal Antibodies

### **FDA-APPROVED USES:**

Indicated for the treatment of moderate-to-severe atopic dermatitis in patients 12 years and older whose disease is not adequately controlled with topical prescription therapies or when those therapies are not advisable. Adbry can be used with or without topical corticosteroids.

### **COMPENDIAL APPROVED OFF-LABELED USES:**

None

## APPENDIX

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None

## BACKGROUND AND OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

### **BACKGROUND:**

Atopic dermatitis (AD) is a chronic, inflammatory skin condition. Symptoms of AD include itch and recurrent eczematous skin lesions. Adbry (tralokinumab-ldrm) is a biologic agent which directly inhibits

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interleukin (IL)-13 for the treatment of moderate to severe atopic dermatitis (AD) in adults. IL-13 has been identified as a key driver for inflammation in AD. IL-13 may be responsible for skin inflammation and disruption, epidermal hyperplasia, itch and increased infection risk that are seen in AD. Safety and efficacy of Abdry (tralokinumab-ldrm) were established in 3 randomized, placebo-controlled trials: ECZTRA 1, ECZTRA 2, and ECZTRA 3. Adults with moderate-to-severe atopic dermatitis were randomized to Abdry (tralokinumab-ldrm) or placebo. Efficacy was assessed using the Investigator's Global Assessment (IGA) score and the Eczema Area and Severity Index (EASI) score on a scale of 0 to 72. Clinical response defined as achieving an IGA of 0 or 1 or EASI- 75, an improvement of at least 75% in EASI score from baseline. In all 3 trials, Abdry (tralokinumab- ldrm) met the primary endpoints.

### CONTRAINDICATIONS/EXCLUSIONS/DISCONTINUATION:

All other uses of Abdry (tralokinumab-ldrm) injection are considered experimental/investigational and therefore, will follow Molina's Off- Label policy. Contraindications to Abdry (tralokinumab-ldrm) include: known hypersensitivity to tralokinumab-ldrm or any excipients in Abdry, avoid use of live vaccines.

### OTHER SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

Members with pre-existing helminth infections should be treated prior to initiating treatment with Abdry. If member becomes infected while receiving treatment with Abdry and does not respond to anti-helminth treatment, Abdry should be discontinued until the infection resolves.

## CODING/BILLING INFORMATION

*Note: 1) This list of codes may not be all-inclusive. 2) Deleted codes and codes which are not effective at the time the service is rendered may not be eligible for reimbursement*

HCPCS CODE	DESCRIPTION
NA	

### AVAILABLE DOSAGE FORMS:

Abdry SOSY 150MG/ML single-dose prefilled syringe

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