Molina Clinical Policy Pluvicto (lutetium Lu 177 vipivotide tetraxetan)™: Policy No. 415

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DISCLAIMER

This Molina Clinical Policy (MCP) is intended to facilitate the Utilization Management process. Policies are not a supplement ation or recommendation for treatment; Providers are solely responsible for the diagnosis, treatment and clinical recommendations for the Member. It expresses Molina's determination as to whether certain services or supplies are medically necessary, experimental, investigational, or cosmetic for purposes of determining appropriateness of payment. The conclusion that a particular service or supply is medically necessary does not constitute a representation or warranty that this service or supply is covered (e.g., will be paid for by Molina) for a particular Member. The Member's benefit plan determines coverage – each benefit plan defines which services are covered, which are excluded, and which are subject to dollar caps or other limits. Members and their Providers will need to consult the Member's benefit plan to determine if there are any exclusion(s) or other benefit limitations appli cable to this service or supply. If there is a discrepancy between this policy and a member's plan of benefits, the benefits plan will govern. In addition, cover age mand ated by applicable legal requirements of a State, the Federal government or CMS for Medicare and Medicaid Members. CMS's Coverage Database can be found on the CMS website. The coverage directive(s) and criteria from an existing National Coverage Determination (NCD) or Local Coverage Determination (LCD) will supersede the contents of this MCP and provide the directive for all Medicare members. References included were accurate at the time of policy approval and publication.

POLICY DESCRIPTION

To define and describe the accepted indications for Pluvicto (lutetium Lu 177 vipivotide tetraxetan) usage in the treatment of cancer, including FDA approved indications, and off-label indications.

The use of this drug must be supported by one of the following: FDA approved product labeling, CMS-approved compendia, National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN), American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) clinical guidelines, or peer-reviewed literature that meets the requirements of the CMS Medicare Benefit Policy Manual Chapter 15.

INDICATIONS and/or LIMITATIONS OF COVERAGE

- A. Continuation requests for a not-approvable medication shall be exempt from this policy provided:
 - 1. The requested medication was used within the last year; AND
 - 2. The member has not experienced disease progression and/or no intolerance to the requested medication; **AND**
 - 3. Additional medication(s) are not being added to the continuation request.

B. Prostate Cancer

1. Pluvicto (lutetium Lu 177 vipivotide tetraxetan) may be used as monotherapy in members with prostate- specific membrane antigen (PSMA) positive (confirmed on a PSMA PET/CT scan) metastatic castration-resistant prostate cancer who have been treated with an Androgen Receptor Pathway Inhibitor (e.g., enzalutamide, abiraterone) **AND** are considered appropriate to delay taxane-based chemotherapy (e.g., docetaxel), **OR** have received prior taxane-based chemotherapy.

EXCLUSION CRITERIA

- A. Disease progression while during or after Pluvicto (lutetium Lu 177 vipivotide tetraxetan).
- B. Concurrent use with other cytotoxic chemotherapy, immunotherapy, or radioligand therapy.
- C. Dosing exceeds single dose limit of Pluvicto (lutetium Lu 177 vipivotide tetraxetan) 7.4 GBq (200 mCi).
- D. Treatment exceeds the maximum duration limit of 36 weeks (or up to 6 doses).

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- E. Investigational use of Pluvicto (lutetium Lu 177 vipivotide tetraxetan) with an off-label indication that is not sufficient in evidence or is not generally accepted by the medical community. Sufficient evidence that is not supported by CMS recognized compendia or acceptable peer reviewed literature is defined as any of the following:
 - 1. Whether the clinical characteristics of the patient and the cancer are adequately represented in the published evidence.
 - 2. Whether the administered chemotherapy/biologic therapy/immune therapy/targeted therapy/other oncologic therapy regimen is adequately represented in the published evidence.
 - 3. Whether the reported study outcomes represent clinically meaningful outcomes experienced by patients. Generally, the definition of Clinically Meaningful outcomes are those recommended by ASCO, e.g., Hazard Ratio of < 0.80 and the recommended survival benefit for OS and PFS should be at least 3 months.
 - 4. Whether the experimental design, considering the drugs and conditions under investigation, is appropriate to address the investigative question. (For example, in some clinical studies, it may be unnecessary or not feasible to use randomization, double blind trials, placebos, or crossover).
 - 5. That non-randomized clinical trials with a significant number of subjects may be a basis for supportive clinical evidence for determining accepted uses of drugs.
 - 6. That case reports are generally considered uncontrolled and anecdotal information and do not provide adequate supportive clinical evidence for determining accepted uses of drugs.
 - 7. That abstracts (including meeting abstracts) without the full article from the approved peer-reviewed journals lack supporting clinical evidence for determining accepted uses of drugs.

MEDICATION MANAGEMENT

A. Please refer to the FDA label/package insert for details regarding these topics.

APPLICABLE CPT / HCPCS PROCEDURE CODES

CPT (Current Procedural Terminology)

Code	Description
79101	Radiopharmaceutical therapy, by intravenous administration

HCPCS (Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System)

Code	Description
A9607	Lutetium Lu 177 vipivotide tetraxetan, therapeutic, 1 mCi

AVAILABLE DOSAGE FORMS: 1,000 MBq/mL (27 mCi/mL) single-dose vial; injection, solution for IV use

CODING DISCLAIMER. Codes listed in this policy are for reference purposes only and may not be all-inclusive. Deleted codes and codes which are not effective at the time the service is rendered may not be eligible for reimbursement. Listing of a service or device code in this policy does not guarantee coverage. Coverage is determined by the benefit document. Molina adheres to Current Procedural Terminology (CPT®), a registered trademark of the American Medical Association (AMA). All CPT codes and descriptions are copyrighted by the AMA; this information is included for informational purposes only. Providers and facilities are expected to utilize industry standard coding practices for all submissions. When improper billing and coding is not followed, Molina has the right to reject/deny the claim and recover claim payment(s). Due to changing industry practices, Molina reserves the right to revise this policy as needed.

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APPROVAL HISTORY

06/11/2025 Policy reviewed. Expanded the indication to include adults with prostate-specific membrane antigen (PSMA)-positive metastatic castration-resistant prostate cancer (mCRPC) who have been treated with androgen receptor pathway inhibitor (ARPI) therapy and are considered appropriate to delay taxane-based chemotherapy

06/12/2024 Policy reviewed, no coverage indications or exclusions changes. Reviewed by board certified Evolent Radiation On cologist.
06/14/2023 Changes to indications/inclusion criteria to remove reference to preferred drug listing, and inclusion in section B on prostate cancer to indicate that it can be used in monotherapy. Reviewed by board certified New Century Health Radiation Oncologist. Removed code A9699 and added code A9607.

08/10/2022 Adopted NCH policy and retired MCP.

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APPENDIX

Reserved for State specific information. Information includes, but is not limited to, State contract language, Medicaid criteria and other mandated criteria.