SPECIALTY GUIDELINE MANAGEMENT

PULMOZYME (dornase alfa)

POLICY

I. INDICATIONS

The indications below including FDA-approved indications and compendial uses are considered a covered benefit provided that all the approval criteria are met and the member has no exclusions to the prescribed therapy.

FDA-Approved Indication

Pulmozyme is indicated in conjunction with standard therapies for the management of cystic fibrosis (CF) patients to improve pulmonary function.

All other indications are considered experimental/investigational and are not medically necessary.

II. CRITERIA FOR INITIAL APPROVAL

Cystic Fibrosis

Authorization of 12 months may be granted for treatment of cystic fibrosis when Pulmozyme will be used in conjunction with standard therapies for cystic fibrosis.

III. CONTINUATION OF THERAPY

Authorization of 12 months may be granted for continued treatment in members requesting reauthorization for an indication listed in Section II who are experiencing benefit from therapy as evidenced by disease stability or disease improvement.

IV. REFERENCES

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