

Title: Soliris (eculizumab)	Division: Medical Management Department: Pharmacy
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1. POLICY DESCRIPTION:

Soliris is a complement inhibitor indicated for:

- The treatment of patients with paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria (PNH) to reduce hemolysis.
- The treatment of patients with atypical hemolytic uremic syndrome (aHUS) to inhibit complement-mediated thrombotic microangiopathy.

2. RESPONSIBLE PARTIES:

Pharmacy

3. DEFINITIONS:

Off-label/Unlabeled Use: Use of a drug is defined as a use for a non-FDA approved indication, that is, one that is not listed on the drug's official label/prescribing information.

Indication: a diagnosis, illness, injury, syndrome, condition, or other clinical parameter for which a drug may be given.

4. POLICY:

Documentation, including chart notes and lab results, **MUST** be submitted for approval.

Per CMS regulation, Metroplus Health Plan follows the following Local Coverage Determination (LCD) and Local Coverage Article (LCA):

1. LCD: L33394
2. LCA: A54548

INITIAL REQUEST

- A. Patient received the meningococcal vaccine at least 2 weeks prior to administration of the first dose of eculizumab or the risks of delaying eculixuman outweigh the risk of meningococcal infection.
- B. For use in the treatment of PNH: Flow cytometry confirming the diagnosis of PNH and either of the following:
 - i. Evidence of clinically significant hemolysis; **OR**
 - ii. Documented history of a major adverse vascular event (MAVE) from thromboembolism.
- C. When used as an initial trial for the treatment of aHUS: The individual was assessed and both:
 - i. Had no signs of Shiga toxin E. coli related hemolytic uremic syndrome (STEC-HUS); **AND**
 - ii. Thrombotic thrombocytopenic purpura (TTP) was ruled out (for example, normal ADAMTS 13 activity and no evidence of an ADAMTS 13 inhibitor), or if TTP

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could not be ruled out by laboratory and clinical evaluation, a trial of plasma exchange did not result in clinical improvement

- D. When used as continued therapy for aHUS: Records reflect that there have been clinical improvement; i.e. increased platelet count or laboratory evidence of reduced hemolysis.

RENEWAL REQUEST

- A. All initial conditions of coverage have been met. **AND**
- B. The patient’s condition has not worsened while on therapy **AND**
- C. When used as continued therapy for aHUS: Records reflect that there have been clinical improvement; i.e. increased platelet count or laboratory evidence of reduced hemolysis.

Soliris (eculizumab) is considered reasonable and necessary if used for any of the diagnosis codes listed below (See Applicable Diagnosis Codes)

5. LIMITATIONS/ EXCLUSIONS:

The use of eculizumab is limited to coverage guidance indicated in the CMS provided LCD/LCA.

6. APPLICABLE PROCEDURE CODES:

CPT	Description
J1300	INJECTION, ECULIZUMAB, 10 MG

7. APPLICABLE DIAGNOSIS CODES:

CODE	Description
D59.3	Hemolytic-uremic syndrome
D59.5	Paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria [Marchiafava-Micheli]
G36.0	Neuromyelitis optica [Devic]
G70.00	Myasthenia gravis without (acute) exacerbation
G70.01	Myasthenia gravis with (acute) exacerbation
N00.6	Acute nephritic syndrome with dense deposit disease
N01.6	Rapidly progressive nephritic syndrome with dense deposit disease
N02.6	Recurrent and persistent hematuria with dense deposit disease
N03.6	Chronic nephritic syndrome with dense deposit disease
N04.6	Nephrotic syndrome with dense deposit disease
N07.6	Hereditary nephropathy, not elsewhere classified with dense deposit disease

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CODE	Description
T86.19	Other complication of kidney transplant

8. REFERENCES:

1. Soliris (eculizumab) [package insert]. Boston, Massachusetts: Alexion Pharmaceuticals, Inc. November 2020.
2. CMS Local Coverage Determination (LCD): Drugs and Biologicals, Coverage of, for Label and Off-Label Uses ([L33394](#))
3. CMS Local Coverage Article (LCA): Billing and Coding: Omalizumab ([A54548](#))

REVISION LOG:

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