# PREFERRED SPECIALTY MANAGEMENT POLICY

**POLICY:** Gaucher Disease – Substrate Reduction Therapy Preferred Specialty Management Policy

• Cerdelga<sup>™</sup> (eliglustat capsules – Genzyme)

• Zavesca® (miglustat capsules – Actelion, generic)

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### **OVERVIEW**

Cerdelga and miglustat capsules (Zavesca, generic) are substrate reduction therapy agents indicated for **long-term therapy in patients with a confirmed diagnosis of Type 1 Gaucher disease**.<sup>1,2</sup> Cerdelga is specifically indicated for the long-term treatment of adult patients with Gaucher disease type 1 who are cytochrome P450 2D6 extensive metabolizers, intermediate metabolizers, or poor metabolizers as detected by an FDA-cleared test.<sup>1</sup> Miglustat capsules (Zavesca, generic) are indicated as monotherapy for the treatment of adult patients with mild to moderate Gaucher disease type 1 for whom enzyme replacement therapy is not a therapeutic option (e.g., due to allergy, hypersensitivity, or poor venous access).<sup>2</sup>

#### POLICY STATEMENT

This Preferred Specialty Management program has been developed to encourage the use of Preferred Products. For all medications (Preferred and Non-Preferred), the patient is required to meet the respective standard *Prior Authorization Policy* criteria. The program also directs the patient to try both of the Preferred Products prior to the approval of the Non-Preferred Product. Requests for the Non-Preferred Product will also be reviewed using the exception criteria (below). Patients meeting the standard *Prior Authorization Policy* criteria for the Non-Preferred Product who have not tried the Preferred Products will be offered a review for one of the Preferred Products. All approvals for are provided for the duration noted below.

<u>Documentation</u>: Documentation is required for use of Cerdelga and generic miglustat as noted in the criteria as [documentation required]. Documentation may include, but is not limited to, chart notes, prescription claims records, and prescription receipts.

**Automation:** None.

**Preferred Product:** Cerdelga, generic miglustat

**Non-Preferred Product:** Zavesca

# RECOMMENDED EXCEPTION CRITERIA

Non-Preferred	Exception Criteria
Product	
Zavesca	1. Gaucher Disease Type I.
	<b>A)</b> Approve for 1 year if the patient meets the following criteria (i and ii):
	i. Patient meets the standard Gaucher Disease Substrate Reduction
	Therapy – Miglustat Prior Authorization criteria; AND
	ii. Patient meets BOTH of the following criteria (a and b):
	a) Patient has tried BOTH Cerdelga (eliglustat capsules)
	[documentation required] and generic miglustat [documentation
	required]; AND
	<b>b</b> ) Brand Zavesca is being requested due to a formulation difference in
	the inactive ingredient(s) [e.g., preservatives] between the Brand
	and the bioequivalent generic product, which, per the prescriber has
	or would result in a significant allergy or serious adverse reaction.
	<b>B</b> ) For a patient who has not tried Cerdelga and generic miglustat and does not
	meet the exception criteria (criteria 1Aii), offer to review for one of the
	Preferred Products using the standard Gaucher Disease Substrate Reduction
	Therapy - Cerdelga Prior Authorization criteria or Miglustat Prior
	Authorization criteria.
	2. Other Conditions. Approve for 1 year if the patient meets the standard <i>Gaucher</i>
	Disease Substrate Reduction Therapy – Miglustat Prior Authorization criteria.

# REFERENCES

- Cerdelga<sup>™</sup> capsules [prescribing information]. Waterford, Ireland: Genzyme; July 2021.
  Zavesca<sup>®</sup> capsules [prescribing information]. South San Francisco, CA: Actelion; October 2021.