

**Imkeldi (imatinib) oral solution**  
**Effective 05/01/2025**

<b>Plan</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> MassHealth UPPL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial/Exchange	<b>Program Type</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prior Authorization
<b>Benefit</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pharmacy Benefit <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Benefit		<input type="checkbox"/> Quantity Limit <input type="checkbox"/> Step Therapy
<b>Specialty Limitations</b>	This medication has been designated specialty and must be filled through a contracted specialty pharmacy.		
<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Medical and Specialty Medications</b>		
	All Plans	Phone: 877-519-1908	Fax: 855-540-3693
<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Non-Specialty Medications</b>		
	All Plans	Phone: 800-711-4555	Fax: 844-403-1029
<b>Exceptions</b>	N/A		

### Overview

Imkeldi (imatinib) oral solution is a kinase inhibitor indicated for the treatment of:

- Newly diagnosed adult and pediatric patients with Philadelphia chromosome positive chronic myeloid leukemia (Ph+ CML) in chronic phase
- Patients with Ph+ CML in blast crisis (BC), accelerated phase (AP), or in chronic phase (CP) after failure of interferon-alpha therapy
- Adult patients with relapsed or refractory Ph+ acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL)
- Pediatric patients with newly diagnosed Ph+ ALL in combination with chemotherapy
- Adult patients with myelodysplastic/myeloproliferative diseases (MDS/MPD) associated with platelet-derived growth factor receptor (PDGFR) gene re-arrangements
- Adult patients with aggressive systemic mastocytosis (ASM) without the D816V c-Kit mutation or with c-Kit mutational status unknown
- Adult patients with hypereosinophilic syndrome (HES) and/or chronic eosinophilic leukemia (CEL) who have the FIP1L1-PDGFR $\alpha$  fusion kinase (mutational analysis or fluorescence in situ hybridization [FISH] demonstration of CHIC2 allele-deletion) and for patients with HES and/or CEL who are FIP1L1-PDGFR $\alpha$  fusion kinase negative or unknown
- Adult patients with unresectable, recurrent, or metastatic dermatofibrosarcoma protuberans (DFSP)
- Patients with Kit (CD117) positive unresectable and/or metastatic malignant gastrointestinal stromal tumors (GIST)
- Adjuvant treatment of adult patients following resection of Kit (CD117) positive GIST

### Coverage Guidelines

Authorization may be granted for members new to the plan within the past 90 days who are currently receiving treatment with the requested medication, excluding when the product is obtained as samples or via manufacturer's patient assistance programs

**OR**

Authorizations may be granted when all the following criteria are met:

1. Member has had a trial and failure, intolerance or contraindication to imatinib tablet or a clinical rationale why the member cannot administer imatinib tablet is provided

### **Continuation of Therapy**

Requests for reauthorization will be approved when the following criteria are met:

1. Member had had a positive response to therapy and does not show evidence of disease progression or toxicity

### **Limitations**

1. Initial and reauthorization requests will be approved for 12 months.
2. The following quantity limitations apply:

Drug Name	Quantity Limit
Imkeldi oral solution	10 mL/day

### **References**

1. Imkeldi (imatinib) oral solution [prescribing information]. Cambridge, MA: Shorla Oncology Inc.; November 2024.

### **Review History**

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