

Juxtapid (lomitapide)
Effective 08/01/2025

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

Overview

Juxtapid (lomitapide) is a microsomal triglyceride transfer protein inhibitor indicated as an adjunct to a low-fat diet and other lipid-lowering treatments, including LDL apheresis where available, to reduce low-density lipoprotein cholesterol (LDL-C), total cholesterol (TC), apolipoprotein B (apo B), and non-high-density lipoprotein cholesterol (non-HDL-C) with homozygous familial hypercholesterolemia (HoFH).

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

Authorization may be granted for members when all of the following criteria are met:

1. Member has a diagnosis of homozygous familial hypercholesterolemia (HoFH)
2. Member is 18 years of age or older
3. Member is adherent to a low-fat diet (< 20% of energy supplied by dietary fat intake) and will be taking a dietary supplement to prevent nutritional deficiencies
4. Member has had a documented side-effect, allergy, inadequate response, treatment failure, or contraindication to treatment with a high potency HMG Co-A reductase inhibitor (e.g. statin), including atorvastatin or rosuvastatin used in combination with ezetimibe, a fibric acid derivative, and/or cholestyramine
5. Member has had an inadequate response, treatment failure, or has a contraindication to lipid apheresis therapy

Continuation of Therapy

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

1. Member demonstrates positive clinical response to therapy as evidenced by a reduction in LDL-C levels from baseline

Limitations

1. Initial authorizations will be approved for 3 months.
2. Reauthorizations will be approved for 12 months.
3. The following quantity limits apply:

Drug Name and Dosage Form	Quantity Limitation
Juxtapid capsule	1 capsule per day

References

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Review History

06/01/2018 – Implemented

02/26/2018 – Reviewed

11/26/2018 – Reviewed

01/22/2020 – Added started and stabilized criteria and removed PCSK9 inhibitor trial

09/22/2021 – Reviewed at September P&T; removed diagnosis and age requirement for new members currently on Juxtapid; references updated. Effective 02/01/2022.

09/21/2022 – Reviewed at Sept P&T; no clinical changes; Separated out Comm/Exch vs. MH.

05/14/2025 – Reviewed at May P&T. Removed step through with Kynamro due to product discontinuation. Effective 08/01/2025.

06/11/2025 – Reviewed and updated at June P&T. Added reauthorization criteria to the policy. Effective 08/01/2025.

