

Pretomanid (safinamide)
Effective 01/01/2023

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	N/A			
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Exceptions	N/A			

Overview

Pretomanid is an antimycobacterial drug that kills actively replicating *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* by inhibiting mycolic acid biosynthesis, blocking cell wall production. Against nonreplicating bacteria, under anaerobic conditions, Pretomanid acts as a respiratory poison following nitric oxide release.

Coverage Guidelines

Authorization may be granted for members new to the plan who are currently receiving treatment with and is stable on Pretomanid excluding when the product is obtained as samples or via manufacturer's patient assistance programs.

OR

Authorization may be granted for members when all the following criteria are met, and documentation is provided:

1. The member is ≥ 18 years old
2. The member has a diagnosis of pulmonary extensively drug resistant, treatment-intolerant or nonresponsive multidrug-resistant tuberculosis
3. Member is using Pretomanid in combination with bedaquiline and linezolid

Continuation of Therapy

Reauthorization requires physician documentation of improvement of member's condition.

Limitations

Initial approvals will be for 6 months.

References

1. Pretomanid tablet [prescribing information]. New York, NY: The Global Alliance for TB Drug Development; August 2019

Review History

07/22/2020 – Reviewed P&T Mtg. Effective 09/01/2020

09/21/2022 –Reviewed at Sept P&T; Separated Comm/Exch vs MH policies; no clinical updates. Effective 01/01/2023

