

Antiretroviral Agents
Sunlenca (lenacapavir)
Trogarzo (ibalizumab-uiyk)
Yeztugo (lenacapavir)
Effective 11/17/2025

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| Plan | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MassHealth <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial/Exchange | Program Type | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prior Authorization <input type="checkbox"/> Quantity Limit <input type="checkbox"/> Step Therapy |
| Benefit | <input type="checkbox"/> Pharmacy Benefit <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Medical Benefit | | |
| Specialty Limitations | N/A | | |
| Contact Information | Medical Benefit Pharmacy Benefit | Phone: 833-895-2611 Phone: 800-711-4555 | Fax: 888-656-6671 Fax: 844-403-1029 |
| Exceptions | These medications are also available on the pharmacy benefit. Please see the MassHealth Drug List for coverage and criteria. Additional agents from this class are available through the pharmacy benefit. Please see the MassHealth Drug List for coverage and criteria. | | |

Overview

Sunlenca, in combination with other antiretroviral(s), is indicated for the treatment of human immunodeficiency virus type 1 (HIV-1) infection in heavily treatment-experienced adults with multidrug resistant HIV-1 whose current antiretroviral regimen is failing due to resistance, intolerance, or safety considerations.

Trogarzo, in combination with other antiretroviral(s), is indicated for the treatment of human immunodeficiency virus type 1 (HIV-1) infection in heavily treatment-experienced adults with multidrug resistant HIV-1 infection failing their current antiretroviral regimen.

Yeztugo is a capsid inhibitor that is indicated for pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) to reduce the risk of sexually acquired HIV-1 in adults and adolescents weighing at least 35 kg who are at risk for HIV-1 acquisition. Individuals must have a negative HIV-1 test prior to initiating Yeztugo.

Coverage Guidelines

Authorization may be granted for members new to the plan 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 the following criteria are met, and documentation is provided:

Sunlenca (lenacapavir)

1. Member has a diagnosis of HIV-1 infection
2. Member is ≥ 18 years of age
3. Member has ongoing detectable viremia (e.g., >200 copies/mL)

4. Member is antiretroviral experienced with documented historical or baseline resistance, intolerability, and/or contraindication to antiretroviral*
5. Failing current antiretroviral regimen due to resistance, intolerance or safety considerations†
6. Concurrent antiretroviral therapy with at least one other antiretroviral
7. Appropriate dosing
8. For Rukobia (fostemsavir), requested quantity is ≤ 2 units/day

*Implies documented history of resistance, adverse reaction, or contraindication to an antiretroviral that is not part of the current regimen.

†Implies documented resistance, adverse reaction, or safety concern with current antiretroviral regimen.

Trogarzo (ibalizumab-uiyk)

1. Diagnosis of HIV-1 infection
2. Member is ≥ 18 years of age
3. Ongoing detectable viremia (e.g., > 200 copies/mL)
4. Resistance to at least one antiretroviral medication from each of three classes of antiretroviral medications (including combination agents): See Appendix B
 - a. NRTI (Combivir, Viread, Epivir, etc.)
 - b. NNRTI (Edurant, Intelence, Sustiva, etc.)
 - c. PI (Prezista, Evotaz, Aptivus, etc.)
5. Concurrent antiretroviral therapy with at least one other antiretroviral
6. Appropriate dosing

Yeztugo (lenacapavir)

1. Diagnosis of pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP)
2. Member is HIV-negative
3. Member is considered at-risk for acquiring HIV infection
4. Member weight is ≥ 35 kg
5. Clinical rationale for use of requested agent instead of Apretude (cabotegravir) documented as ONE of the following:
 - a. Medical records documenting an allergic reaction to Apretude
 - b. Medical necessity for the use of Yeztugo instead of Apretude (e.g., medical necessity supporting the use of an every six-month preparation vs. every two-month preparation)
6. Appropriate dosing

Continuation of Therapy

Resubmission by prescriber will infer a positive response to therapy.

Limitations

1. Initial approvals and reauthorizations will be for 12 months.

Appendix

A. Rationale for combination therapy

- Documentation of significant psychiatric diagnosis (must include specific diagnosis) leading to documented difficulty with adherence
- Homeless members who may have difficulty storing larger amounts of medications (documentation of homelessness on the PA form is sufficient)



- Documented difficulty with adherence leading to complications (low CD4 count leading to infections and/or hospitalizations)
- Child/adolescent member or a member with documented developmental issues without adequate supports to properly manage their own HIV regimen

B. HIV Antiretrovirals by Class

| Integrase inhibitor | NRTI | NNRTI | PI | Fusion inhibitor | CCR5 antagonist | Post-attachment inhibitor |
|----------------------|------------------|-------------|---------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| Bictegravir | Abacavir | Delavirdine | Atazanavir | Enfuvirtide | Maraviroc | Ibalizumab-uiyk |
| Cabotegravir | Didanosine | Efavirenz | Darunavir | | | |
| Dolutegravir | Emtricitabine | Etravirine | Fosamprenavir | | | |
| Raltegravir | Lamivudine | Nevirapine | Indinavir | | | |
| | Stavudine | Rilpivirine | Lopinavir | | | |
| | Tenofovir | | Nelfinavir | | | |
| | Zidovudine | | Ritonavir | | | |
| | | | Saquinavir | | | |
| | | | Tipranavir | | | |
| Attachment Inhibitor | Capsid inhibitor | | | | | |
| Fostemsavir | Lenacapavir | | | | | |

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Review History

05/19/2021 – Created and Reviewed to match MH UPPL for 7/1/2021

07/19/2021 – Removed Cabenuva from criteria to match with MH UPPL. Effective 02/01/2022.

11/16/2022 – Reviewed and updated for Nov P&T. Matched MH by adding “Drug that require PA vs No PA” table. No clinical changes. Effective 2/1/23.

02/08/2023 - Reviewed and updated for Feb P&T. Matched MH criteria. Updated table in Overview by adding the following drugs requiring PA: Apretude, Cimduo, Selzentry, Symfi/Lo, Temixys, Tivicay, Trogarzo, Viramune XR. Added criteria for the following: Apretude, Cimduo, Selzentry, Symfi/Lo, Tivicay, Trogarzo, Viramune XR. Added appendix. Updated references. Added QIs for Cimduo, Temixys, Tivicay. Effective 4/1/23.

05/10/23 – Reviewed and updated for P&T. Removed brand names Viramune and Viramune XR from the guideline due to obsolete status. Apretude®(cabotegravir injection) to be available dual benefit. Effective 6/5/23.



06/14/23 – Reviewed and updated for P&T. Admin update: clarified that Apretude and Trogarzo are available through pharmacy and medical benefits (dual). Effective 6/30/23

07/12/23 – Reviewed and updated for P&T. New drug, Sunlenca (lenacapavir), was added to policy requiring PA through both benefits. Apretude will be available without PA with preferred drug status. Brand preferred and mandatory generic language was added under Limitations. Effective 7/31/23

12/13/23 – Reviewed and updated for P&T. Formatting update to reflect the removal of preferred status from Prezista. No clinical changes. Effective 1/2/24

05/15/25 – Reviewed and updated for P&T. Updated formatting and references. Removed Rx drugs from medical criteria, Rx is available on MHD. Sunlenca and Trogarzo remains. Effective 6/1/25

10/8/25 – Reviewed and updated for P&T. Added Yeztugo to MB policy. Drug will be available on pharmacy and medical benefits. Effective 11/17/25

