# **MEDICATION POLICY:** Primary Biliary Cholangitis Agents



**Generic Name:** elafibranor, obeticholic acid, seladelpar

**Therapeutic Class or Brand Name:** Primary Biliary Cholangitis Agents

Applicable Drugs: lqirvo® (elafibranor), Ocaliva® (obeticholic acid), Livdelzi® (seladelpar). Preferred: N/A

Non-preferred: N/A

VSI-Excluded Drugs: lqirvo®, Ocaliva®, Livdelzi®

Date of Origin: 11/18/2024

Date Last Reviewed / Revised: N/A

# **PRIOR AUTHORIZATION CRITERIA**

(May be considered medically necessary when criteria I through IV are met)

- I. Documented diagnosis of Primary Biliary Cholangitis (PBC) AND meets ALL criteria A through E:
  - A. Diagnosis of PBC confirmed by two of three features:
    - i. Biochemical evidence of cholestasis based on alkaline phosphatase (ALP) elevation (as defined by the performing laboratory's reference values)
    - ii. Presence of antimitochondrial antibodies (AMA), or other PBC-specific autoantibodies, including sp100 or gp210, if AMA is negative
    - iii. Histologic evidence of PBC seen on biopsy
  - B. Minimum age requirement: 18 years old
  - C. Documented trial and failure, or contraindication to, treatment with ursodiol at a dose of 13-15 mg/kg/day for at least 12 months.
  - D. Alkaline phosphatase (ALP) level at least 1.67 times the upper limit of normal (i.e. greater than 174 U/L for women and 215 U/L for men)
  - E. Total bilirubin level no more than 2 times the upper limit of normal (ULN). For example, less than 41  $\mu$ mol/L.
- II. Treatment must be prescribed by or in consultation with a hepatologist or gastroenterologist.
- III. Request is for a medication with the appropriate FDA labeling, or its use is supported by current clinical practice guidelines.
- IV. Refer to plan document for the list of preferred products. If the requested agent is not listed as a preferred product, must have a documented failure, intolerance, or contraindication to the preferred product(s).

## **EXCLUSION CRITERIA**

- Use of more than one agent from this policy concomitantly
- Previous or planned liver transplantation

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- Hepatitis B or C virus infection
- Alcohol-related liver disease
- Autoimmune hepatitis
- Primary biliary cirrhosis-autoimmune hepatitis overlap
- Evidence of clinically significant hepatic decompensation (such as esophageal varices, poorly controlled ascites, hepatic encephalopathy, coagulopathy, etc.)

#### OTHER CRITERIA

• Obeticholic acid (Ocaliva®) is contraindicated in PBC patients with decompensated cirrhosis, a prior decompensation event, or with compensated cirrhosis who have evidence of portal hypertension.

### **QUANTITY / DAYS SUPPLY RESTRICTIONS**

• Iqirvo®, Livdelzi®, Ocaliva®: 30 tablets per 30 days

### APPROVAL LENGTH

- Authorization: 6 months
- **Re-Authorization:** 12 months, with documented clinically significant improvement (such as a reduction of ALP level to less than 1.67x ULN, with at least a 15% reduction from baseline, and normal total bilirubin levels).

#### APPENDIX

N/A

#### REFERENCES

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- 3. Ocaliva Prescribing information. Intercept Pharmaceuticals, Inc; 2022. Accessed 10/25/2024. https://www.interceptpharma.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/Ocaliva USPI Clean VV-<u>REG-040954.pdf</u>

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