# SPECIALTY GUIDELINE MANAGEMENT

# FABRAZYME (agalsidase beta)

# POLICY

## I. INDICATIONS

The indications below including FDA-approved indications and compendial uses are considered a covered benefit provided that all the approval criteria are met and the member has no exclusions to the prescribed therapy.

#### FDA-Approved Indication

Fabrazyme is indicated for the treatment of adult and pediatric patients 2 years of age and older with confirmed Fabry disease.

All other indications are considered experimental/investigational and not medically necessary.

## **II. REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION**

Submission of the following information is necessary to initiate the prior authorization review:

- A. Initial requests: alpha-galactosidase enzyme assay or genetic testing results supporting diagnosis. In the case of obligate carriers, the documentation must be submitted for the parent.
- B. Continuation requests: lab results or chart notes documenting a positive response to therapy (e.g., reduction in plasma globotriaosylceramide [GL-3] or GL-3 inclusions, improvement and/or stabilization in renal function, pain reduction).

#### **III. CRITERIA FOR INITIAL APPROVAL**

#### Fabry disease

Authorization for 12 months may be granted for treatment of Fabry disease when both of the following criteria are met:

- A. The diagnosis of Fabry disease was confirmed by enzyme assay demonstrating a deficiency of alphagalactosidase enzyme activity or by genetic testing, or the member is a symptomatic obligate carrier.
- B. Fabrazyme will not be used in combination with Galafold.

# **IV. CONTINUATION OF THERAPY**

Authorization of 12 months may be granted for continued treatment in members requesting reauthorization for Fabry disease who are responding to therapy (e.g., reduction in plasma globotriaosylceramide [GL-3] or GL-3 inclusions, improvement and/or stabilization in renal function, pain reduction).

#### V. REFERENCES

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