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# teriparatide, SQ (FORTEO)

### Diagnoses Considered for Coverage:

- Osteoporosis
- Hypocalcemia associated with hypoparathyroidism (teriparatide products only)

#### **Coverage Criteria**:

## 2. For Osteoporosis, approve if:

#### Initial use

- *For Forteo/teriparatide:* intolerance with or unable to use Tymlos, and
- Dose does not exceed FDA label maximum, and
- Total parathyroid hormone analog therapy (i.e. Forteo, Tymlos) does not exceed an initial 2 years of therapy, **and**
- Not used in combination with other osteoporosis therapy (i.e., bisphosphonates, Prolia, Tymlos), **and**
- One of the following:
  - a. Patient has history of one or more non-traumatic fractures, or
  - b. Evidence of T-score more than or equal to 2.5 standard deviations (SD) below the young normal (T-score at or below -2.5), or
  - c. Evidence of T-score between -1.0 and -2.5 and patient is at high risk for fracture [e.g. multiple risk factors or 10-year hip fracture probability >/= 3% or a 10-year major osteoporosis-related fracture probability >/= 20% based on USA-adapted WHO absolute fracture risk model (FRAX risk assessment)] and
- One of the following I, II, III, or IV:
  - I. Patient is initiating or continuing long-term glucocorticoid treatment (≥ 3 months), **or**
  - **II.** Patient is at very high risk of fracture by meeting at least one of the following:
    - i. T-score less than -3.0, **or**
    - **b.** Fracture while on bisphosphonate therapy or Prolia, **or**
    - **c.** Patient has experienced a recent fracture (within the past 12 months) or history of multiple fractures, **or**
    - **d.** Patient experienced a fracture while on long-term glucocorticoid therapy, **or**
    - e. Patient is at high risk for falls, or
    - f. 10-year hip fracture probability of > 4.5% based on FRAX<sup>®</sup> score, or
    - g. 10-year major osteoporosis-related fracture probability >

30% based on FRAX<sup>®</sup> score.

- III. Intolerable side effect to bisphosphonate (oral and IV) therapy or Prolia, or contraindication to bisphosphonate (oral and IV) therapy and Prolia, or
- **IV.** Inadequate response, as evidenced by documented worsening BMD, following at least two years therapy with a bisphosphonate or Prolia.

*Coverage Duration*: 2 years

For requests beyond the initial 2 years of treatment

- Request is for Forteo/teriparatide, and
- Patient remains at, or has returned to, having a high risk for fractures.

Coverage Duration: 12 months

- 3. For teriparatide/Forteo and diagnosis of hypocalcemia associated with hypoparathyroidism:
  - Being used as an adjunct to calcium and Vitamin D therapy, and
  - Patient is unable to achieve target serum calcium level (8 to 9mg/L) with maximally tolerated doses of oral calcium and vitamin D analogs alone, **and**
  - Dose does not exceed 20 mcg given three times per day.

Coverage Duration: 6 months

Effective Date: 11/29/2023