

**Trastuzumab (Herceptin®)**  
**Trastuzumab-anns (Kanjinti™)**  
**Trastuzumab-dkst (Ogivri™)**  
**Trastuzumab-dttb (Ontruzant®)**  
**Trastuzumab-pkrb (Herzuma®)**  
**Trastuzumab-qyyp (Trazimera™)**

**Medicare Part B**  
Blue Shield Medicare (PPO)

**HCPCS**  
Herceptin: J9355 per 10 mg  
Ontruzant: Q5112 per 10 mg  
Herzuma: Q5113 per 10 mg  
Ogivri: Q5114 per 10 mg  
Trazimera: Q5116 per 10 mg  
Kanjinti: Q5117 per 10 mg

### **Special Instructions and Pertinent Information**

These drugs are covered when used to treat a medically accepted indication as established by 1) the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), and 2) step therapy requirement with one of the BSC-preferred drugs, Kanjinti or Trazimera, when applicable.

CMS allows Medicare Advantage (MA) Plans to apply step therapy to physician-administered and other Part B drugs. Blue Shield of California (BSC) requires this drug to be reviewed for step therapy requirements in addition to CMS medical necessity requirements. Step therapy with one of the BSC-preferred drugs, Kanjinti or Trazimera, is required for members newly initiating trastuzumab therapy, when applicable.

### **Food and Drug Administration (FDA)-Approved Indications for Reference Product**

- [Breast cancer \(HER2-positive\)](#)
- [Gastric or gastroesophageal junction adenocarcinoma \(HER2-positive\)](#)

### **Coverage Criteria for FDA-Approved Indications**

#### **Breast cancer (HER2-positive)**

1. Either of the following:
  - a. Adjuvant treatment and node positive or node negative (ER/PR negative or with one high risk feature), and one of the following:
    - i. Used as part of a treatment regimen consisting of doxorubicin, cyclophosphamide, and either paclitaxel or docetaxel, OR
    - ii. Used as part of a treatment regimen with docetaxel and carboplatin, OR
    - iii. Used as a single agent following multi-modality anthracycline based therapyOR
  - b. Metastatic disease and one of the following:
    - i. Used in combination with paclitaxel for first-line treatment of metastatic breast cancer, OR
    - ii. Used as a single agent in patients who have received one or more chemotherapy regimens for metastatic disease

#### **AND**

2. *For request for Herceptin, Herzuma, Ogivri or Ontruzant:* Inadequate response, intolerable side effect, or contraindication with Kanjinti or Trazimera

#### **Covered Doses**

##### Adjuvant Treatment

Administer according to one of the following doses and schedules for a total of 52 weeks of Herceptin therapy:

- o During and following paclitaxel, docetaxel, or docetaxel/carboplatin:

- Up to 4 mg/kg IV for the first dose, followed by up to 2 mg/kg IV weekly during chemotherapy for the first 12 weeks (paclitaxel or docetaxel) or 18 weeks (docetaxel/carboplatin), followed by up to 6 mg/kg IV every three weeks.
- As a single agent within three weeks following completion of multi-modality, anthracycline-based chemotherapy regimens:
  - Up to 8 mg/kg IV for the first dose, followed by up to 6 mg/kg IV every three weeks

Metastatic

Administer alone or in combination with paclitaxel, up to 4 mg/kg IV for the first dose, followed by up to 2 mg/kg IV once weekly until disease progression.

**Coverage Period**

Plan year

**Gastric or gastroesophageal junction adenocarcinoma (HER2-positive)**

1. Metastatic disease, **AND**
2. Either of the following:
  - a. Used in combination with paclitaxel for first-line treatment of metastatic disease, OR
  - b. Used as a single agent in patients who have received one or more chemotherapy regimens for metastatic disease, **AND**
3. *For request for Herceptin, Herzuma, Ogivri or Ontruzant:* Inadequate response, intolerable side effect, or contraindication with Kanjinti or Trazimera

**Covered Doses**

Up to 8 mg/kg IV for the first dose, followed by up to 6 mg/kg IV every three weeks until disease progression

**Coverage Period**

Plan year

**How Supplied**

Herceptin®

- 150 mg single-dose vial (lyophilized powder for reconstitution)

Herzuma®

- 150 mg single-dose vial (lyophilized powder for reconstitution)
- 420 mg multiple-dose vial (lyophilized powder for reconstitution)

Trazimera™

- 420 mg multiple-dose vial (lyophilized powder for reconstitution)

Kanjinti™

- 150 mg single-dose vial (lyophilized powder for reconstitution)
- 420 mg multiple-dose vial (lyophilized powder for reconstitution)

Ogivri™

- 150 mg single-dose vial (lyophilized powder for reconstitution)
- 420 mg multiple-dose vial (lyophilized powder for reconstitution)

Ontruzant®

- 150 mg single-dose vial (lyophilized powder for reconstitution)

- 420 mg multiple-dose vial (lyophilized powder for reconstitution)

### References

- For CMS Memorandum titled "Prior Authorization and Step Therapy for Part B Drugs in Medicare Advantage", dated August 7, 2018 see: [https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Health-Plans/HealthPlansGenInfo/Downloads/MA\\_Step\\_Therapy\\_HPMS\\_Memo\\_8\\_7\\_2018.pdf](https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Health-Plans/HealthPlansGenInfo/Downloads/MA_Step_Therapy_HPMS_Memo_8_7_2018.pdf)
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