

# niraparib-abiraterone (Akeega)

### **Pharmacy Benefit Drug Policy**

### **Drug Details**

**USP Category**: MISCELLANEOUS THERAPEUTIC AGENTS

Mechanism of Action: Combination of a PARP inhibitor and a CYP17 inhibitor

Label Name	Quantity Limit
Akeega 100-500 MG TAB	2 tabs/day
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# Condition(s) listed in policy (see coverage criteria for details)

Prostate Cancer

Any condition not listed in this policy requires a review to confirm it is medically necessary. For conditions that have not been approved for intended use by the Food and Drug Administration (i.e., off-label use), the criteria outlined in the Health and Safety Code section 1367.21 must be met.

# The following condition(s) require Prior Authorization/Preservice:

## **Prostate Cancer**

- 1. Being used for castration resistant metastatic disease, and
- 2. Being used in combination with prednisone, and
- 3. Patient has BRCA gene mutation (BRCA1, BRCA2) positive disease, and
- 4. One of the following (a or b):
  - a. Being used with androgen deprivation therapy: LHRH agonist or antagonist therapy, or
  - b. Patient has had bilateral orchiectomy, and
- 5. Dose does not exceed FDA-approved maximum.

#### Coverage Period:

Effective: 11/29/2023

one year

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#### **Additional Information**

- FDA approved August 2023; Akeega is a combination of niraparib, a poly (ADP-ribose) polymerase (PARP) inhibitor, and abiraterone acetate, a CYP17 inhibitor indicated with prednisone for the treatment of adult patients with deleterious or suspected deleterious BRCA mutated (BRCAm) metastatic castration-resistant prostate cancer (mCRPC). Patients are selected for therapy based on an FDA-approved test for AKEEGA.
- Patients receiving AKEEGA should also receive a gonadotropin-releasing hormone (GnRH) analog concurrently or should have had bilateral orchiectomy.

#### References

1. Akeega. Prescribing Information. Janssen Biotech, Inc. Horsham, PA 19044. 2023

#### **Review History**

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Blue Shield of California Medication Policy to Determine Medical Necessity Reviewed by P&T Committee