

Taliglucerase alfa (Eleyso®)

Place of Service

Office Administration

Infusion Center Administration

Home Infusion Administration

Outpatient Facility Infusion Administration

HCPSC: J3060 per 10 units

Condition listed in policy (see criteria for details)

- [Gaucher's disease, Type 1](#)

AHFS therapeutic class: Enzymes

Mechanism of action: A recombinant active form of the lysosomal enzyme beta-glucocerebrosidase

(1) Special Instructions and Pertinent Information

Covered under the Medical Benefit, please submit clinical information for prior authorization.

(2) Prior Authorization/Medical Review is required for the following condition(s)

All requests for Eleyso® (taliglucerase) must be sent for clinical review and receive authorization prior to drug administration or claim payment.

Gaucher's disease, Type I

1. Diagnosis of Gaucher's disease Type I, **AND**
2. Patient has at least one of the following:
 - a. Anemia, OR
 - b. Thrombocytopenia, OR
 - c. Bone disease (e.g., lesions, fractures, osteopenia, osteonecrosis, osteosclerosis), OR
 - d. Hepatosplenomegaly or splenomegaly, OR
 - e. Symptomatic disease (including abdominal or bone pain, fatigue, physical function limitation, growth retardation in children, or malnutrition/cachexia)

AND

3. Not being used in combination with other therapies for Type 1 Gaucher disease [e.g., ERT Cerezyme (imiglucerase), VPRIV (velaglucerase), SRT (Cerdelga (eliglustat), Zavesca (miglustat)],

AND

4. Either of the following:
 - a. **Effective through 4/28/2024.** Patient is unable to use Cerezyme (imiglucerase), OR
 - b. **Effective 4/29/2024 and after.** Patient is unable to use Cerezyme (imiglucerase) and VPRIV (velaglucerase alfa)

Covered Doses

Up to 120 Units/kg per month

Coverage Period

Indefinite

ICD-10:

E75.22

(3) The following condition(s) DO NOT require Prior Authorization/Preservice
All requests for Eleyso® (taliglucerase) must be sent for clinical review and receive authorization prior to drug administration or claim payment.

(4) This Medication is NOT medically necessary for the following condition(s)

Coverage for a Non-FDA approved indication, requires that criteria outlined in Health and Safety Code § 1367.21, including objective evidence of efficacy and safety are met for the proposed indication.

Please refer to the Provider Manual and User Guide for more information.

(5) Additional Information

How Supplied:

200 units per vial (lyophilized powder)

Anemia Thresholds. Table 1.

Age and Sex	Reference range (Mean g/dl)	> 2 SD below mean = anemia g/dl for Peds	"High Risk" >2 gm below lower limit of normal for age and sex for children	<i>Pastores 2004</i> Definition of Anemia w/ Gaucher Treatment Goals are to increase above these levels in 12-24 mos
0.5-2 years	12.0	<11.0	< 9.0	<9.5
2-6 years	12.5	<11.5	< 9.5	<10.5
6-12 years	13.5	<11.5	< 9.5	<10.5
Female 12-18 years	14.0	<12.0	< 10.0	<11.0
Male 12-18 years	14.5	<13.0	< 11.0	<12.0
Female > 18 years (range)	13.8 (12.3–15.3)		Refer to Guideline For High risk criteria in adults	<11.0
Male > 18 years (range)	15.7 (14.0-17.5)			<12.0

Reference: Pastores GM, Weinreb NJ, Aerts H, et al. Therapeutic Goals in the Treatment of Gaucher Disease. Semin Hematol 41 (suppl 5):4-14. 2004.

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(7) Policy Update

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Changes from previous policy version:

- Section (2): Gaucher's disease: Effective 4/29/2024, VPRIV will be added as a step therapy in addition to Cerezyme
Rationale: Cost effective therapeutic alternative

*BSC Drug Coverage Criteria to Determine Medical Necessity
Reviewed by P&T Committee*