

Vedolizumab, IV (Entyvio®)

Place of Service

Infusion Center Administration
Home Infusion Administration
Office Administration
Outpatient Facility Infusion
Administration

HCPCS: J3380 per 1 mg

Conditions listed in policy (see criteria for details)

- [Crohn's disease](#)
- [Immunotherapy-related diarrhea or colitis secondary to immune-checkpoint inhibitor therapy](#)
- [Ulcerative colitis](#)

AHFS therapeutic class: GI drug, monoclonal antibody

Mechanism of action: Integrin receptor antagonist

(1) Special Instructions and Pertinent Information

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

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

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

Crohn's disease

1. Patient age greater than or equal to 18 years, **AND**
2. One of the following:
 - a. Patient has had an inadequate response or intolerable side effect with infliximab (Avsola, Inflectra, Renflexis), or
 - b. Patient has had no treatment with infliximab and has a contraindication to infliximab products, Avsola, Inflectra, and Renflexis,

AND

3. Not being used in combination with natalizumab, a TNF-blocker, or another targeted immunomodulator

Covered Doses

Initial induction dosing: 300 mg IV at Weeks 0, 2, and 6

Maintenance: Beginning at Week 14, 300mg IV every 8 weeks

Coverage Period

Initial induction phase: 14 weeks

Reauthorization: Indefinite (if patient had clinical benefit by week 14 & drug given at an approved site of service)

ICD-10:

K50.00-K50.119, K50.80-K50.919

Immunotherapy-related diarrhea or colitis secondary to immune-checkpoint inhibitor therapy

1. Treatment of moderate or severe diarrhea or colitis secondary to immune-checkpoint inhibitor therapy, **AND**
2. Prior treatment with corticosteroids was ineffective, **AND**
3. One of the following:
 - a. Patient has had an inadequate response or intolerable side effect with preferred infliximab (Avsola, Inflectra, Renflexis), or
 - b. Patient has had no treatment with infliximab and has a contraindication to infliximab products, Avsola, Inflectra, and Renflexis

Covered Doses

300 mg IV at Weeks 0, 2, and 6

Coverage Period

Cover up to 3 doses

ICD-10:

K52.1, R19.7

Ulcerative colitis

1. Patient age greater than or equal to 18 years, **AND**
2. Not being used in combination with natalizumab, a TNF-blocker, or another targeted immunomodulator, **AND**
3. One of the following:
 - a. Patient has had an inadequate response, intolerable side effect with infliximab (Avsola, Inflectra, or Renflexis), or
 - b. Patient has had no treatment with infliximab and has a contraindication to Avsola, Inflectra, and Renflexis

Covered Doses

Initial induction dosing: 300 mg IV at Weeks 0, 2, and 6

Maintenance: Beginning at Week 14, 300 mg IV every 8 weeks. Entyvio can also be self-injected subcutaneously for maintenance. The subcutaneous form can be requested from the patient's Pharmacy Benefit.

Coverage Period

Initial induction phase: 14 weeks

Reauthorization: Indefinite (if patient had clinical benefit by week 14 & drug given at an approved site of service)

ICD-10:

K51.0-K51.319, K51.5-K51.519, K51.80-K51.919

(3) The following condition(s) DO NOT require Prior Authorization/Preservice

All requests for Entyvio® (vedolizumab) 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:

- Sterile 20 mL single-use glass vials, containing 300 mg of vedolizumab

(6) References

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(7) Policy Update

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Changes from previous policy version:

- No clinical change to policy following routine annual review.

*BSC Drug Coverage Criteria to Determine Medical Necessity
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