

Venclexta (venetoclax)

Override(s)	Approval Duration
Prior Authorization Quantity Limit	1 year

Medications	Quantity Limit
Venclexta (venetoclax)	May be subject to quantity limit

APPROVAL CRITERIA

Requests for Venclexta (venetoclax) may be approved if the following criteria are met:

- I. Individual is under 19 years of age;

OR

- II. Individual has a diagnosis of Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia (CLL) or Small Lymphocytic Lymphoma (SLL); **AND**
- III. Individual is using as first-line therapy; **AND**
- IV. Individual is using in combination with obinutuzumab;
- V. **OR**
- VI. Individual is using in combination with acalabrutinib with or without obinutuzumab;
- VII. **OR**
- VIII. Individual is using in combination with ibrutinib;

OR

- IX. Individual has a diagnosis of relapsed/refractory Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia (CLL) or Small Lymphocytic Lymphoma (SLL); **AND**
- IV. Individual is using as second-line or subsequent therapy; **AND**
- V. Individual is using in combination with rituximab (or rituximab biosimilar);
- OR**
- VI. Individual is using as a single agent;
- OR**
- VII. Individual is using in combination with obinutuzumab;

OR

- VIII. Individual has a diagnosis of acute myeloid leukemia (AML), including Blastic Plasmacytoid Dendritic Cell Neoplasm (BPDCN) (NCCN 2A);

OR

- IX. Individual has a diagnosis of Waldenstrom Macroglobulinemia/ Lymphoplasmacytic lymphoma; **AND**
- X. Individual has progressive or relapsed disease or has not responded to primary therapy;
- AND**
- XI. Individual is using as monotherapy;

OR

- XII. Individual has a diagnosis of previously treated Mantle Cell Lymphoma (NCCN 2A); **AND**
- XIII. Individual is using as monotherapy or in combination with ibrutinib or in combination with rituximab;

OR

- XIV. Individual has a diagnosis of Mantle Cell Lymphoma; **AND**
- XV. Individual has classical or indolent TP53 mutated disease; **AND**
- XVI. Individual is using in combination with obinutuzumab and zanubrutinib; **AND**
- XVII. Clinical trials are not available or appropriate for treatment;

OR

- XVIII. Individual has a diagnosis of relapsed or refractory Hairy Cell Leukemia; **AND**
- XIX. Disease is resistant to BRAF inhibitor therapy;

OR

- XX. Individual has a diagnosis of Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia (NCCN 2A); **AND**
- XXI. Individual is using as a component of mini-hyperCVD (hyperfractionated cyclophosphamide, vincristine, dexamethasone alternating with cytarabine, methotrexate) + venetoclax; **AND**
- XXII. Individual has Philadelphia chromosome-negative B-ALL;

OR

- XXIII. Individual has a diagnosis of Pediatric Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia (NCCN 2A); **AND**
- XXIV. Individual has relapsed or refractory disease; **AND**
- XXV. Individual is using in combination with vincristine, pegaspargase or calaspargase, and prednisone or dexamethasone;

OR

- XXVI. Individual has a diagnosis of chronic myelomonocytic leukemia (CMML)-2 (NCCN 2A); **AND**
- XXVII. Individual is using in combination with a hypomethylating agent;

OR

- XXVIII. Individual has a diagnosis of myelodysplastic syndromes (NCCN 2A); **AND**
- XXIX. Individual is using in combination with azacitidine or decitabine; **AND**
- XXX. Individual has higher risk disease defined as international prognostic scoring system (IPSS-R) Intermediate, High, or Very High;

OR

- XXXI. Individual has a diagnosis of accelerated/blast phase myeloproliferative neoplasms (NCCN 2A); **AND**
- XXXII. Individual is using in combination with azacitidine or decitabine for management of disease progression;

OR

- XXXIII. Individual has a diagnosis of relapsed or refractory t(11;14) systemic light chain amyloidosis (NCCN 2A); **AND**

- XXXIV. Individual had disease progression on at least one prior line of therapy (Premkumar 2021); **AND**
- XXXV. Individual is using as a single agent or in combination with dexamethasone; **OR**
- XXXVI. Individual is using in combination with daratumumab;
- OR**
- XXXVII. Individual has a diagnosis of relapse or progressive t(11;14) multiple myeloma (NCCN 2A); **AND**
- XXXVIII. Individual has received at least one prior line of therapy; **AND**
- XXXIX. Individual is using Venclexta in combination with dexamethasone with or without daratumumab or a proteasome inhibitor (PI) (for example, bortezomib, carfilzomib, or ixazomib).

Note: Concomitant use of Venclexta (venetoclax) with strong inhibitors of CYP3A at initiation and during ramp-up phase in those with CLL/SLL is contraindicated.

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 - b. Hairy Cell Leukemia. V1.2025. Revised September 26, 2024.
 - c. Myeloproliferative Neoplasms. V1.2025. Revised February 21, 2025.
 - d. Myelodysplastic Syndromes. V2.2025. Revised January 17, 2025.
 - e. Pediatric Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia. V3.2025. Revised March 17, 2025.
 - f. Acute Myeloid Leukemia. V2.2025. Revised January 27, 2025.
 - g. Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia. V1.2025. Revised May 15, 2025.
 - h. B-Cell Lymphomas. V2.2025. Revised February 10, 2025.
 - i. Multiple Myeloma. V2.2025. Revised April 11, 2025.
 - j. Systemic Light Chain Amyloidosis. V1.2026. Revised June 11, 2025.
 - k. Waldenstrom Macroglobulinemia/Lymphoplasmacytic Lymphoma. V3.2025. Revised February 6, 2025.

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