Calquence (acalabrutinib)

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

Medications	Quantity Limit
Calquence (acalabrutinib)	May be subject to quantity limit

APPROVAL CRITERIA

Requests for Calquence (acalabrutinib) may be approved if the following criteria are met:

- I. Individual has a diagnosis of one of the following B-cell Lymphoma types:
 - A. Zone lymphoma, including extranodal marginal zone lymphoma of the stomach, extranodal marginal zone lymphoma of nongastric sites (noncutaneous), nodal marginal zone lymphoma, and splenic marginal zone lymphoma (NCCN 2A); AND
 - B. Individual is using as second-line and subsequent therapy for relapsed, refractory, or progressive disease;

OR

- C. Individual has a diagnosis of mantle cell lymphoma (Label, NCCN 2A); AND
- D. Meets one of the following:
 - 1. Individual has received at least one prior therapy;

OR

- 2. Individual has previously untreated mantle cell lymphoma (Label); AND
- 3. Individual is ineligible for autologous hematopoietic stem cell transplantation (HSCT); **AND**
- 4. Individual is using in combination with bendamustine and rituximab;

OR

- Individual has a diagnosis of Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia/Small Lymphocytic Lymphoma (CLL/SLL) with or without del(17p)/TP53 mutation (Label, NCCN 1, NCCN 2A); AND
- III. Individual is using in one of the following ways:
 - A. Individual is using as a single agent; AND
 - B. Individual is not using in refractory CLL/SLL with BTK C481S mutation post ibrutinib therapy (NCCN 2A);
 OR
 - C. As first line therapy in combination with obinutuzumab;

OR

- IV. Individual has a diagnosis of Waldenstrom Macroglobulinemia (NCCN 2A); AND
 - A. Individual is using as alternative therapy for previously treated disease; AND
 - B. Individual has had no prior Bruton Kinase inhibitor therapy; AND
 - C. Individual is using as a single-agent.

Key References:

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- 3. Lexi-Comp ONLINE[™] with AHFS[™], Hudson, Ohio: Lexi-Comp, Inc.; 2025; Updated periodically.
- 4. NCCN Clinical Practice Guidelines in Oncology[™]. © 2025 National Comprehensive Cancer Network, Inc. For additional information visit the NCCN website: http://www.nccn.org/index.asp. Accessed on January 17, 2025.
 - a. B-Cell Lymphomas. V1.2025. Revised December 2024.
 - b. Chronic Lymphocytic Lymphoma/Small Lymphocytic Lymphoma. V1.2025. Revised October 1, 2024.
 - c. Waldenström Macroglobulinemia/ Lymphoplasmacytic Lymphoma. V2.2025. Revised December 18, 2024.

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