

## PHARMACY COVERAGE GUIDELINE

### TABRECTA™ (capmatinib) oral Generic Equivalent (if available)

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#### **This Pharmacy Coverage Guideline (PCG):**

- Provides information about the reasons, basis, and information sources we use for coverage decisions.
- Is not an opinion that a drug (collectively “Service”) is clinically appropriate or inappropriate for a patient.
- Is not a substitute for a provider’s judgment (Provider and patient are responsible for all decisions about appropriateness of care)
- Is subject to all provisions e.g. (benefit coverage, limits, and exclusions) in the member’s benefit plan; and
- Is subject to change as new information becomes available.

#### **Scope**

- This PCG applies to Commercial and/or Marketplace plans.
- This PCG does not apply to the Federal Employee Program, Medicare Advantage, Medicaid or members of out-of-state Blue Cross and/or Blue Shield Plans

#### **Instructions & Guidance**

- To determine whether a member is eligible for the Service, read the entire PCG.
  - This PCG is used for FDA approved indications including, but not limited to, a diagnosis and/or treatment with dosing, frequency, and duration.
  - Use of a drug outside the FDA approved guidelines, refer to the appropriate Off-Label Use policy.
  - The “Criteria” section outlines the factors and information we use to decide if the Service is medically necessary as defined in the Member’s benefit plan.
  - The “Description” section describes the Service.
  - The “Definition” section defines certain words, terms or items within the policy and may include tables and charts.
  - The “Resources” section lists the information and materials we considered in developing this PCG.
  - **We do not accept patient use of samples as evidence of an initial course of treatment, justification for continuation of therapy, or evidence of adequate trial and failure.**
  - Information about medications that require prior authorization is available at [www.azblue.com/pharmacy](http://www.azblue.com/pharmacy). You must fully complete the [request form](#) and provide chart notes, lab workup and any other supporting documentation. The prescribing provider must sign the form. Fax the form to BCBSAZ Pharmacy Management at (602) 864-3126 or email it to [Pharmacyprecert@azblue.com](mailto:Pharmacyprecert@azblue.com).
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## Medical Necessity Requirements for TABRECTA (capmatinib)

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### Criteria for Initial Therapy:

#### **Prescriber Qualifications**

- Prescribed by or in consultation with an Oncologist

#### **Indication**

- Metastatic non small cell lung cancer (NSCLC) with a mutation that leads to mesenchymal epithelial transition (MET) exon 14 skipping, confirmed by an FDA approved test
- Other oncologic direct treatment uses listed in the National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN) Guidelines with Categories of Evidence and Consensus of 1 and 2A

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#### Age Requirement

- 18 years of age or older

#### Baseline Clinical Evaluation

- Positive test for MET exon 14 skipping mutation
- Liver function tests
- Negative pregnancy test for women of child bearing potential
- Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group Performance Status of 0–1

#### Brand Specific Criteria

- Have failure, contraindication or intolerance with **THREE** generic equivalents (when available) for at least three months each. **Note:** Any failure, contraindication, or intolerance to the generic drugs should be reported to the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) (see Definitions section)

#### Safety

- No severe renal impairment (creatinine clearance 15 to 29 mL/min)
- No concomitant use with strong or moderate CYP3A inducers (e.g., carbamazepine, phenobarbital, phenytoin, rifampin, bosentan, dexamethasone, nafcillin, rifabutin, St. John's wort)

#### Documentation Requirements

- Chart notes
- Lab results (MET mutation, liver function, pregnancy test)
- Supporting clinical documentation

#### Initial Therapy Criteria Approval Duration

- 6 months OR end of plan year
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### Criteria for Continuation of Therapy (renewal therapy):

**Note: Manufacturer assistance (e.g., coupons, samples, etc.) are not considered for continuation of therapy**

#### Prescriber Qualification

- Continues to be seen by or in consultation with an Oncologist

#### Clinical Response

- Documentation of positive clinical response: no evidence of disease progression or unacceptable toxicity

#### Adherence

- Adherence to the prescribed therapy regimen has been documented

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#### Safety

- No significant adverse drug effects such as:
  - Interstitial lung disease/pneumonitis
  - Severe or life threatening hepatotoxicity
  - Severe or life threatening pancreatitis
  - Serious hypersensitivity reaction
  - Any other life threatening adverse reaction
- No severe renal impairment (creatinine clearance 15 to 29 mL/min)
- No concomitant use with strong or moderate CYP3A inducers (e.g., carbamazepine, phenobarbital, phenytoin, rifampin, bosentan, dexamethasone, nafcillin, rifabutin, St. John's wort)

#### Additional Requirements

- Individual's dose is at least 200 mg twice daily

#### Documentation Requirements

- Chart notes
- Supporting clinical documentation with evidence of improvement in given indication
- Lab values that confirm safe use (renal function, liver function, etc.)

#### Continuation Therapy Criteria Approval Duration

- 12 months OR end of plan year
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### Criteria for Off-Label Use Requests:

Criteria for a request for non-FDA use or indication, treatment with dosing, frequency, or duration outside the FDA-approved dosing, frequency, and duration, refer to one of the following Pharmacy Coverage Guideline:

1. Off-Label Use of Non-Cancer Medications
  2. Off-Label Use of Cancer Medications
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#### Description:

Tabrecta (capmatinib) is a kinase inhibitor indicated for the treatment of adult patients with metastatic non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC) whose tumors have a mutation that leads to mesenchymal-epithelial transition (MET) exon 14 skipping as detected by an FDA-approved test. This indication is approved under accelerated approval

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based on overall response rate and duration of response. Continued approval for this indication may be contingent upon verification and description of clinical benefit in confirmatory trial(s).

Capmatinib targets MET, including the mutant variant produced by exon 14 skipping. MET exon 14 skipping results in a protein with a missing regulatory domain that reduces its negative regulation leading to increased downstream MET signaling. Through MET inhibition, capmatinib decreases cancer cell growth.

#### **Definitions:**

U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) MedWatch Forms for FDA Safety Reporting  
[MedWatch Forms for FDA Safety Reporting | FDA](#)

#### **Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events (CTCAE) Version 5.0:**

Grade 1	Mild; asymptomatic or mild symptoms; clinical or diagnostic observations only; intervention not indicated
Grade 2	Moderate; minimal, local or noninvasive intervention indicated; limiting age-appropriate instrumental ADL*
Grade 3	Severe or medically significant but not immediately life-threatening; hospitalization or prolongation of hospitalization indicated; disabling; limiting self-care ADL**
Grade 4	Life-threatening consequences; urgent intervention indicated
Grade 5	Death related to AE
<i>U.S. department of Health and Human Services, National Institutes of Health, and National Cancer Institute</i>	

#### **Activities of daily living (ADL):**

Instrumental ADL:

Prepare meals, shop for groceries or clothes, use the telephone, manage money, etc.

Self-care ADL:

Bathe, dress and undress, feed self, use the toilet, take medications, not bedridden.

#### **ECOG Performance status:**

Eastern Co-operative Oncology Group (ECOG) Performance Status	
Grade	ECOG description
0	Fully active, able to carry on all pre-disease performance without restriction
1	Restricted in physically strenuous activity but ambulatory and able to carry out work of a light or sedentary nature, e.g., light housework, office work
2	Ambulatory and capable of all selfcare but unable to carry out any work activities. Up and about more than 50% of waking hours
3	Capable of only limited selfcare, confined to bed or chair more than 50% of waking hours
4	Completely disabled. Cannot carry on any self-care. Totally confined to bed or chair
5	Dead
<i>Oken, M.M., Creech, R.H., Tormey, D.C., Horton, J., Davis, T.E., McFadden, E.T., Carbone, P.P.: Toxicity And Response Criteria Of The Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group. Am J Clin Oncol 5:649-655, 1982</i>	

#### **NCCN recommendation definitions:**

Category 1:

Based upon high-level evidence, there is uniform NCCN consensus that the intervention is appropriate.

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Category 2A:

Based upon lower-level evidence, there is uniform NCCN consensus that the intervention is appropriate.

Category 2B:

Based upon lower-level evidence, there is NCCN consensus that the intervention is appropriate.

Category 3:

Based upon any level of evidence, there is major NCCN disagreement that the intervention is appropriate

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#### **Resources:**

Tabrecta (capmatinib) product information, revised by Novartis Pharmaceutical Corporation 03-2024. Available at DailyMed <http://dailymed.nlm.nih.gov>. Accessed May 10, 2025.

National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN) Clinical Practice Guidelines in Oncology (NCCN Guidelines®): Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer. Version 3.2025. Updated January 14, 2025. Available at <https://www.nccn.org>. Accessed May 10, 2025.

Off Label Use of Cancer Medications: A.R.S. §§ 20-826(R) & (S). Subscription contracts; definitions.

Off Label Use of Cancer Medications: A.R.S. §§ 20-1057(V) & (W). Evidence of coverage by health care service organizations; renewability; definitions.