

Evkeeza (evinacumab)

Override(s)	Approval Duration
Prior Authorization	Initial Approval: 6 months Continuation Approval: 1 year

Medications	Dosing Limit
Evkeeza (evinacumab) 345 mg/2.3 mL, 1200 mg/8 mL	15 mg/kg every 4 weeks

APPROVAL CRITERIA

Initial requests for Evkeeza (evinacumab) may be approved when the following criteria are met:

- I. Individual is 1 year of age or older;

AND

- II. Documentation is provided that individual has homozygous familial hypercholesterolemia (HoFH) verified by (Cuchel 2023):
 - A. Biallelic pathogenic/likely pathogenic variants on different chromosomes at the LDLR, APOB, PCSK9 or LDLRAP1 genes or ≥ 2 such variants at different loci; **OR**
 - B. An untreated LDL-C concentration greater than 400 mg/dL (10 mmol/L) **AND** one of the following:
 1. Cutaneous or tendonous xanthoma before age of 10 years; **OR**
 2. Untreated LDL-C levels consistent with heterozygous familial hypercholesterolemia in both parents (greater than 190 mg/dL);

AND

- III. Individual meets **one** of the following:
 - A. Individual is on high intensity statin therapy or statin therapy at the maximum tolerated dose (high intensity statin is defined as atorvastatin 40 mg or higher, or rosuvastatin 20 mg or higher) (AHA/ACC 2018); **OR**
 - B. Individual is statin intolerant based on one of the following:
 1. Inability to tolerate at least two statins, with at least one started at the lowest starting daily dose, demonstrated by adverse effects associated with statin therapy that resolve or improve with dose reduction or discontinuation (NLA 2022); **OR**
 2. Statin associated rhabdomyolysis or immune-mediated necrotizing myopathy (IMNM) after a trial of one statin; **OR**

- C. Individual has a contraindication for statin therapy including but not limited to active liver disease, unexplained persistent elevation of hepatic transaminases or pregnancy;

AND

- IV. Individual has had a trial (and inadequate response or intolerance to ezetimibe (AHA/ACC 2018). Medication samples/coupons/discount cards are excluded from consideration as a trial.;

AND

- V. Documentation is provided that individual has had a trial and inadequate response or intolerance to proprotein convertase subtilisin kexin type 9 (PCSK9) inhibitor therapy (AHA/ACC 2018). Medication samples/coupons/discount cards are excluded from consideration as a trial.; **OR**
- VI. Documentation is provided that genetic testing has verified the individual is LDLR negative (NLA 2017);

OR

- VII. Individuals 1 - 9 years of age who do not meet RN III, IV, V or RN III, IV, VI above, may be approved if the following criteria are met:
- VIII. Documentation is provided that individual has homozygous familial hypercholesterolemia (HoFH) verified by (Cuchel 2023):
 - A. Biallelic pathogenic/likely pathogenic variants on different chromosomes at the LDLR, APOB, PCSK9 or LDLRAP1 genes or ≥ 2 such variants at different loci; **OR**
 - B. An untreated LDL-C concentration greater than 400 mg/dL (10 mmol/L) **AND one** of the following:
 - 1. Cutaneous or tendonous xanthoma before age of 10 years; **OR**
 - 2. Untreated LDL-C levels consistent with heterozygous familial hypercholesterolemia in both parents (greater than 190 mg/dL);

AND

- IX. Documentation is provided that individual has had a trial and inadequate LDL reduction with at least one other lipid lowering therapy (including but not limited to statin therapy, ezetimibe).

Continuation requests for Evkeeza (evinacumab) may be approved when the following criteria are met:

- I. Documentation is provided that individual has a diagnosis of homozygous familial hypercholesterolemia (HoFH) verified by (Cuchel 2023):
 - A. Biallelic pathogenic/likely pathogenic variants on different chromosomes at the LDLR, APOB, PCSK9 or LDLRAP1 genes or ≥ 2 such variants at different loci; **OR**

B. An untreated LDL-C concentration greater than 400 mg/dL (10 mmol/L) **AND** one of the following:

1. Cutaneous or tendonous xanthoma before age of 10 years; **OR**
2. Untreated LDL-C levels consistent with heterozygous familial hypercholesterolemia in both parents (greater than 190 mg/dL);

AND

II. Individual continues to use in combination with lipid lowering therapy (including but not limited to maximally tolerated statin therapy, ezetimibe, PCSK9 inhibitor therapy and/or LDL-C apheresis);

AND

III. Documentation is provided that individual has achieved LDL-C reduction.

Evkeeza (evinacumab) may not be approved when the above criteria are not met and for all other indications.

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