

# Tafamidis

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

  

Medications	Quantity Limit
Vyndamax (tafamidis) Vyndaqel (tafamidis meglumine)	May be subject to quantity limit

## APPROVAL CRITERIA

Initial requests for tafamidis (Vyndaqel, Vyndamax) may be approved if the following criteria are met:

- I. Individual has a diagnosis of wild type or hereditary transthyretin amyloid cardiomyopathy;

**AND**

- II. Documentation is provided that diagnosis has been demonstrated by (Dorbala 2021, Kittleson 2023):
  - A. Endomyocardial or extracardiac biopsy;

**OR**

- B. Both of the following:
  1. Radionuclide scintigraphy (99mTc-PYP/DPD/HMDP) with grade 2 or 3 uptake; **AND**
  2. Absence of monoclonal protein on serum free light chain assay and serum and urine immunofixation;

**AND**

- III. Individual is using for the treatment of New York Heart Association class I, II or III heart failure symptoms (Maurer, 2018).

Continuation requests for tafamidis (Vyndaqel, Vyndamax) may be approved if the following criterion is met:

- I. Individual has a diagnosis of wild-type or hereditary transthyretin amyloid cardiomyopathy; **AND**
- II. Documentation is provided that diagnosis has been demonstrated by (Dorbala 2021, Kittleson 2023):
  - A. Endomyocardial or extracardiac biopsy;

**OR**

- B. Both of the following:
  1. Radionuclide scintigraphy (<sup>99m</sup>Tc-PYP/DPD/HMDP) with grade 2 or 3 uptake; **AND**
  2. Absence of monoclonal protein on serum free light chain assay and serum and urine immunofixation; **AND**

- III. Documentation is provided to show clinically significant improvement or stabilization in clinical signs and symptoms of disease (including but not limited to reduction in hospitalizations or urgent heart failure visits, improvement or stabilization in 6-Minute Walk Test, improvement in symptom burden or frequency).

Tafamidis (Vyndaqel, Vyndamax) may not be approved for the following:

- I. Individual has a history of liver or heart transplantation; **OR**  
II. Individual is using in combination with Amvuttra, Attruby, Onpattro, Tegsedi, or Wainua.

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