



# SPECIALTY GUIDELINE MANAGEMENT

### TAVALISSE (fostamatinib disodium hexahydrate)

# POLICY

## I. INDICATIONS

The indications below including FDA-approved indications and compendial uses are considered a covered benefit provided that all the approval criteria are met and the member has no exclusions to the prescribed therapy.

#### **FDA-Approved Indications**

Treatment of thrombocytopenia in adult patients with chronic immune thrombocytopenia (ITP) who have had an insufficient response to a previous treatment.

All other indications are considered experimental/investigational and are not a covered benefit.

### II. CRITERIA FOR INITIAL APPROVAL

#### Chronic or persistent immune thrombocytopenia (ITP)

Authorization of 12 weeks may be granted to members 18 years of age or older with chronic or persistent ITP who meet all of the following criteria:

- A. Inadequate response or intolerance to prior therapy such as corticosteroids, immunoglobulins, splenectomy, or thrombopoietin receptor agonists.
- B. Untransfused platelet count prior to the initiation of ITP therapy is less than 30x10<sup>9</sup>/L OR 30x10<sup>9</sup>/L to 50x10<sup>9</sup>/L with symptomatic bleeding (e.g., significant mucous membrane bleeding, gastrointestinal bleeding or trauma) or risk factors for bleeding (see Section IV).

#### **III. CONTINUATION OF THERAPY**

#### Chronic or persistent ITP

- A. Authorization of 12 months may be granted to members 18 years of age or older with current platelet count less than or equal to 200x10<sup>9</sup>/L.
- B. Authorization of 12 months may be granted to members 18 years of age or older with current platelet count greater than 200 x10<sup>9</sup>/L for whom Tavalisse dosing will be adjusted to achieve a platelet count sufficient to avoid clinically important bleeding.

#### **IV. APPENDIX**

#### Examples of risk factors for bleeding (not all inclusive)

- Undergoing a medical or dental procedure where blood loss is anticipated
- Comorbidity (e.g., peptic ulcer disease, hypertension)
- Mandated anticoagulation therapy
- Profession (e.g., construction worker) or lifestyle (e.g., plays contact sports) that predisposes patient to trauma

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