



# Cerezyme® (imiglucerase) (Intravenous)

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# I. Length of Authorization

Coverage will be provided for 12 months and may be renewed.

## **II.** Dosing Limits

- A. Quantity Limit (max daily dose) [NDC Unit]:
  - Cerezyme 400 unit powder for injection: 18 vials per 14 days
- B. Max Units (per dose and over time) [HCPCS Unit]:
  - 720 billable units every 14 days

# III. Initial Approval Criteria <sup>1</sup>

Site of care specialty infusion program requirements are met (refer to Moda Site of Care Policy).

Coverage is provided in the following conditions:

• Patient is at least 2 years of age; **AND** 

### Universal Criteria <sup>1</sup>

• Used as a single agent; AND

## Type 1 Gaucher Disease † $\Phi$ 1,6,9,12-15

- Patient has a documented diagnosis of Type 1 Gaucher Disease confirmed by one of the following:
  - Significantly reduced or absent glucocerebrosidase enzyme activity as measured by a beta-glucosidase leukocyte (BGL) test
  - Detection of mutations in the glucocerebrosidase (GBA) gene; AND
- Patient's disease results in one or more of the following:
  - Anemia-related symptoms [i.e., blood transfusion dependency and/or hemoglobin ≤ 11 g/dL (women and children) or ≤ 12 g/dL (men)]
  - Thrombocytopenia (platelet count ≤ 120,000/mm³)



- Hepatomegaly or splenomegaly
- Skeletal disease (e.g., lesions, remodeling defects and/or deformity of long bones, osteopenia/osteoporosis, etc.)
- Symptomatic disease (e.g., bone pain, fatigue, dyspnea, abdominal distension, diminished quality of life, etc.)

† FDA Approved Indication(s); ‡ Compendia Recommended Indication(s); **\Phi** Orphan Drug

# IV. Renewal Criteria 1,6,9,11,13-15

Coverage can be renewed based on the following criteria:

- Patient continues to meet the universal and other indication-specific relevant criteria such
  as concomitant therapy requirements (not including prerequisite therapy), performance
  status, etc. identified in section III; AND
- Disease response with treatment as defined by one or more of the following (compared to pre-treatment baseline):
  - Improvement in anemia-related symptoms (i.e., improvement in hemoglobin and/or decrease in blood transfusion dependency)
  - Improvement in platelet counts
  - Reduction in size of liver or spleen
  - Improvement in skeletal disease (e.g., increase in lumbar spine and/or femoral neck BMD, no bone crises or bone fractures, etc.)
  - Improvement in symptoms (e.g., bone pain, fatigue, dyspnea, abdominal distension, quality of life, etc.); AND
- Absence of unacceptable toxicity from the drug. Examples of unacceptable toxicity include: hypersensitivity reactions, including anaphylaxis, etc.

# V. Dosage/Administration <sup>1</sup>

Indication	Dose
Type 1	- Initial dosages range from 2.5 U/kg of body weight intravenously 3 times a week to
Gaucher	60 U/kg intravenously once every 2 weeks based on disease severity.
Disease	- Titrate the dosage based on clinical manifestations of disease and therapeutic goals
	for the patient.

# VI. Billing Code/Availability Information

## **HCPCS** Code:

• J1786 – Injection, imiglucerase, 10 units; 1 billable unit = 10 units

## NDC:

• Cerezyme 400 unit powder for injection, single-dose vial: 58468-4663-xx



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# Appendix 1 – Covered Diagnosis Codes

ICD-10	ICD-10 Description
E75.22	Gaucher disease

# Appendix 2 – Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)

Medicare coverage for outpatient (Part B) drugs is outlined in the Medicare Benefit Policy Manual (Pub. 100-2), Chapter 15, §50 Drugs and Biologicals. In addition, National Coverage Determination (NCD), Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs), and Local Coverage Article may exist and compliance with these policies is required where applicable. They can be found at: <a href="https://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/search.aspx">https://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/search.aspx</a>. Additional indications may be covered at the discretion of the health plan.

Medicare Part B Covered Diagnosis Codes (applicable to existing NCD/LCD/LCA): N/A

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5	KS, NE, IA, MO	Wisconsin Physicians Service Insurance Corp (WPS)		
6	MN, WI, IL	National Government Services, Inc. (NGS)		
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