

Clinical Policy: Lasmiditan (Reyvow)

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Description

Lasmiditan (Reyvow[™]) is a serotonin (5-HT) 1F agonist.

FDA Approved Indication(s)

Reyvow is indicated for the acute treatment of migraine with or without aura in adults.

Limitation(s) of use: Reyvow is not indicated for the preventive treatment of migraine.

Policy/Criteria

Provider must submit documentation (such as office chart notes, lab results or other clinical information) supporting that member has met all approval criteria.

It is the policy of health plans affiliated with Centene Corporation[®] that Reyvow is **medically necessary** when the following criteria are met:

I. Initial Approval Criteria

A. Migraines (must meet all):

1. Diagnosis of migraine headaches;
2. Age \geq 18 years;
3. Failure of at least TWO formulary 5HT_{1B/1D}-agonist migraine medications (e.g., sumatriptan, rizatriptan) at up to maximally indicated doses, unless clinically significant adverse effects are experienced or all are contraindicated;
4. For requests for quantities greater than 4 tablets per month, member meets one of the following (a or b):
 - a. Failure of TWO prophylactic migraine medications, unless clinically significant adverse effects are experienced or all are contraindicated (*see Appendix B*);
 - b. Member is being treated by or in consultation with a neurologist or a headache specialist;
5. Dose does not exceed 200 mg (2 tablets) per day and 4 days per month.

Approval duration: 12 months

B. Other diagnoses/indications (must meet 1 or 2)

1. If this drug has recently (within the last 6 months) undergone a label change (e.g., newly approved indication, age expansion, new dosing regimen) that is not yet reflected in this policy, refer to one of the following policies (a or b):

- a. For drugs on the formulary (commercial, health insurance marketplace) or PDL (Medicaid), the no coverage criteria policy for the relevant line of business: CP.PMN.255 for Medicaid; or
 - b. For drugs NOT on the formulary (commercial, health insurance marketplace) or PDL (Medicaid), the non-formulary policy for the relevant line of business: CP.PMN.16 for Medicaid; or
2. If the requested use (e.g., diagnosis, age, dosing regimen) is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized) AND criterion 1 above does not apply, refer to the off-label use policy for the relevant line of business: CP.PMN.53 for Medicaid.

II. Continued Therapy

A. Migraines (must meet all):

1. Currently receiving medication via Centene benefit or member has previously met initial approval criteria;
2. Member is responding positively to therapy;
3. If request is for a dose increase, new dose does not exceed 200 mg (2 tablets) per day and 4 days per month.

Approval duration: 12 months

B. Other diagnoses/indications (must meet 1 or 2):

1. If this drug has recently (within the last 6 months) undergone a label change (e.g., newly approved indication, age expansion, new dosing regimen) that is not yet reflected in this policy, refer to one of the following policies (a or b):
 - a. For drugs on the formulary (commercial, health insurance marketplace) or PDL (Medicaid), the no coverage criteria policy for the relevant line of business: CP.PMN.255 for Medicaid; or
 - b. For drugs NOT on the formulary (commercial, health insurance marketplace) or PDL (Medicaid), the non-formulary policy for the relevant line of business: CP.PMN.16 for Medicaid; or
2. If the requested use (e.g., diagnosis, age, dosing regimen) is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized) AND criterion 1 above does not apply, refer to the off-label use policy for the relevant line of business: CP.PMN.53 for Medicaid.

III. Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized:

- A. Non-FDA approved indications, which are not addressed in this policy, unless there is sufficient documentation of efficacy and safety according to the off label use policies – CP.PMN.53 for Medicaid or evidence of coverage documents

IV. Appendices/General Information

Appendix A: Abbreviation/Acronym Key

5-HT: serotonin

AAN: American Academy of Neurology

FDA: Food and Drug Administration

Appendix B: Therapeutic Alternatives

This table provides a listing of preferred alternative therapy recommended in the approval criteria. The drugs listed here may not be a formulary agent for all relevant lines of business and may require prior authorization.

Drug Name	Dosing Regimen	Dose Limit/ Maximum Dose
naratriptan (Amerge [®])	One tablet (1 or 2.5 mg) PO at onset; can be repeated in 4 hours	5 mg/day
almotriptan (Axert [®])	6.25 to 12.5 mg PO QD May repeat dose in 2 hours	25 mg/day
frovatriptan (Frova [®])	2.5 mg PO QD May repeat dose in 2 hours	7.5 mg/day
sumatriptan (Imitrex [®] nasal spray)	One spray (5 – 20mg) at onset into one nostril; can be repeated in 2 hours	40 mg/day
sumatriptan (Imitrex [®])	One tablet (25 -100mg) PO at onset; can be repeated in two hours	200 mg/day
rizatriptan (Maxalt [®] /Maxalt MLT [®])	One tablet (5 or 10 mg) PO at onset of migraine headache; can be repeated in two hours	30 mg/day
eletriptan (Relpax [®])	20 or 40 mg PO QD May repeat dose in 2 hours	40 mg/dose 80 mg/day
zolmitriptan (Zomig [®] /Zomig [®] ZMT)	1.25 or 2.5 mg PO QD May repeat dose in 2 hours	5 mg/dose 10 mg/day

**Preventive Therapies for Migraine
(Adopted by the American Academy of Neurology [AAN])**

Medication	Dose	Level of Evidence**
Anticonvulsants		
divalproex sodium (Depakote [®])	500-1,000 mg/day PO	FDA-approved
divalproex sodium ER (Depakote [®] ER)	500-1,000 mg/day PO	FDA-approved
gabapentin (Neurontin [®])	900-2,400 mg/day PO	Group II
topiramate (Topamax [®])	100 mg/day PO	FDA-approved
Beta-Blockers		
atenolol (Tenormin [®])	100 mg/day PO	Group II
metoprolol (Lopressor [®])	200 mg/day PO	Group II
nadolol (Corgard [®])	80-240 mg/day PO	Group II
propranolol (Inderal [®])	80-240 mg/day PO	Group I
timolol (Blocadren [®])	20-30 mg/day PO	Group I
Calcium Channel Blockers		
verapamil (Calan [®])	240 mg/day PO	Group II
SSRIs		
fluoxetine (Prozac [®])	20 mg QOD - 40 mg/day PO	Group II

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Medication	Dose	Level of Evidence**
Tricyclic Antidepressants		
amitriptyline (Elavil [®])	30-150 mg/day PO	Group I
imipramine (Tofranil [®])	Not established	Group III
nortriptyline (Pamelor [®])	Not established	Group III

Therapeutic alternatives are listed as Brand name[®] (generic) when the drug is available by brand name only and generic (Brand name[®]) when the drug is available by both brand and generic.

Appendix C: Contraindications/Boxed Warnings

None reported

Appendix D: General Information

- The AAN recommends that prophylactic migraine medications should be considered if the patient experiences 2 or more attacks per month that produce aggregate disability of 3 or more days/month.
- The AAN and the National Headache Foundation recommend that prophylactic migraine medications should be considered if one or more of the following are present: greater than 2 migraine headaches per week; migraines cause significant impairment in daily routine even with abortive treatment; contraindication to, adverse effects, overuse or failure of abortive migraine medications, presence of uncommon migraine condition (e.g., basilar migraine); or patient requesting prophylactic therapy.

V. Dosage and Administration

Indication	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose
Migraines	50 mg, 100 mg, or 200 mg PO, as needed. No more than one dose should be taken in 24 hours. A second dose has not been shown to be effective for the same migraine attack.	200 mg/24 hours

VI. Product Availability

Tablets: 50 mg, 100 mg

VII. References

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