



AETNA BETTER HEALTH®
Coverage Policy/Guideline

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Intent:

The intent of this policy/guideline is to provide information to the prescribing practitioner outlining the coverage criteria for Jascayd under the patient's prescription drug benefit.

Description:

FDA-approved Indications¹

Jascayd is indicated for:

- The treatment of idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis (IPF) in adult patients.
- The treatment of progressive pulmonary fibrosis (PPF) in adult patients.

All other indications are considered experimental/investigational and not medically necessary.

Applicable Drug List:

Non-preferred Agent:

Jascayd

Policy/Guideline:

Documentation

Submission of the following information is necessary to initiate the prior authorization review (where applicable):

Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis (IPF)

- Chart notes or medical record documentation of result of a chest high-resolution computed tomography (HRCT) study.
- Chart notes or medical record documentation of pathology report of lung biopsy (if performed).
- Chart notes or medical record documentation of pathology report of transbronchial lung cryobiopsy (if performed).

Progressive Pulmonary Fibrosis (PPF)

- Chart notes or medical record documentation of result of a chest high-resolution computed tomography (HRCT) study.
- Chart notes or medical record documentation of progressive disease (e.g., forced vital capacity [FVC] decline greater than or equal to 10% of the predicted value, worsening respiratory symptoms, increased extent of fibrosis on HRCT).



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Prescriber Specialties

This medication must be prescribed by or in consultation with one of the following:

- Idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis (IPF): a pulmonologist or a specialist in the treatment of idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis.
- Progressive pulmonary fibrosis (PPF): a pulmonologist or a specialist in the treatment of progressive pulmonary fibrosis.

Coverage Criteria

Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis (IPF)¹⁻³

Authorization of 12 months may be granted for treatment of idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis when the member has undergone a diagnostic work-up which includes both of the following:

- Other known causes of interstitial lung disease (e.g., domestic and occupational environmental exposures, connective tissue disease, drug toxicity) have been excluded.
- The member meets either of the following:
 - Member has completed a high-resolution computed tomography (HRCT) study of the chest, transbronchial lung cryobiopsy (TBLC), or a lung biopsy which reveals a result consistent with the usual interstitial pneumonia (UIP) or probable UIP pattern and the diagnosis is supported by a multidisciplinary discussion between a radiologist and pulmonologist who are experienced in IPF.
 - Member has completed an HRCT study of the chest which reveals a result other than the UIP or probable UIP pattern (e.g., indeterminate for UIP) and meets both of the following:
 - The member had a lung biopsy or a TBLC with pathology confirming UIP or probable UIP.
 - The diagnosis is supported by a multidisciplinary discussion between a radiologist and pulmonologist who are experienced in IPF.
- The patient unable to take the preferred formulary alternative, pirfenidone, for the given diagnosis, where indicated, due to a trial and inadequate treatment response or intolerance, or a contraindication



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Progressive Pulmonary Fibrosis (PPF)^{1,2,4}

Authorization of 12 months may be granted for treatment of progressive pulmonary fibrosis when the member meets both of the following:

- The member has completed a high-resolution computed tomography (HRCT) study of the chest that shows fibrosis affecting at least 10 percent of the lungs.
- The member has progressive disease (e.g., forced vital capacity [FVC] decline greater than or equal to 10 percent of the predicted value, worsening respiratory symptoms, increased extent of fibrosis on HRCT).

Continuation of Therapy

All members (including new members) requesting authorization for continuation of therapy for an indication listed in the coverage criteria section may be granted an authorization of 12 months when the member is currently receiving treatment with the requested medication.

Other

Note: If the member is a current smoker, they should be counseled on the harmful effects of smoking on pulmonary conditions and available smoking cessation options.

Approval Duration and Quantity Restrictions:

Initial and Renewal Approval: 12 Months

Quantity Level Limit: 60 tablets per 30 days

References:

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