



## PRIOR AUTHORIZATION POLICY

**POLICY:** Oncology – Koselugo Prior Authorization Policy

- Koselugo™ (selumetinib capsules – AstraZeneca)

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### OVERVIEW

Koselugo, a kinase inhibitor, is indicated for the treatment of pediatric patients  $\geq 2$  years of age with **neurofibromatosis type 1 (NF1)** who have symptomatic, inoperable plexiform neurofibromas.<sup>1</sup>

Koselugo is a mitogen-activated protein kinase kinases 1 and 2 (MEK1/2) inhibitor.<sup>1</sup>

### Disease Overview

Neurofibromatoses are a group of tumor suppressor syndromes that predisposes patients to an increased risk of nervous system tumors including neurofibromas, malignant peripheral nerve sheath tumors, and gliomas.<sup>5,6</sup> NF1 is the most common of the neurofibromatoses, occurring in approximately one in 2,500 to 3,000 individuals worldwide.<sup>7,8</sup> NF1 is an autosomal dominant disorder, with 50% of children of affected parents inheriting the mutated NF1 tumor-suppressor gene.<sup>5,7</sup> However, up to 50% of the cases occur spontaneously in patients without a family history of NF1.<sup>5-9</sup>

Plexiform neurofibromas are benign nerve sheath tumors that can occur anywhere in the body,<sup>8</sup> affect up to 50% of patients with NF1,<sup>5</sup> and are often present at birth.<sup>7,8</sup> These tumors tend to grow the fastest in the first decade of life,<sup>7,8</sup> and can continue to grow into adolescence and early adulthood.<sup>7</sup> Plexiform neurofibromas may be

asymptomatic and only detected with MRI,<sup>5,8</sup> or may cause significant pain,<sup>5,7</sup> disfigurement,<sup>5</sup> bone destruction,<sup>7</sup> and loss of nerve function.<sup>5</sup> Due to the risk of transformation to malignant peripheral nerve sheath tumors, patients with any change in the signs or symptoms of plexiform neurofibromas should be assessed for malignant transformation.<sup>5,8</sup>

### **Other Uses with Supportive Evidence**

In a Phase II, open-label trial, the efficacy of Koselugo was assessed in patients 3 to 21 years of age with recurrent, refractory, or progressive pilocytic astrocytoma with either *KIAA1549-BRAF* fusion or *BRAF V600E* mutation.<sup>2</sup> Koselugo 25 mg/m<sup>2</sup>/dose was administered twice daily for up to 2 years if the patient did not have progressive disease or unacceptable adverse events. A total of 25 patients were enrolled with a median age of 9.2 years, and 52% were female. A partial response was achieved in 36% of patients, 36% of patients had stable disease, and 28% had disease progression. The 2 year progression-free survival was 70% and 44% of patients have not progressed after a median of 36.4 months of follow-up.

### **Guidelines**

Koselugo is addressed in National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN) guidelines:

- **Central nervous system cancers:** Clinical practice guidelines (version 1.2023 – March 24, 2023) recommend Koselugo for the treatment of recurrent or progressive circumscribed glioma with *BRAF* fusion or *BRAF V600E* activating mutation positive; or neurofibromatosis type 1 mutated glioma, as a single agent.<sup>3,4</sup>
- **Histiocytic Neoplasms:** Clinical practice guidelines (version 1.2022 – May 20, 2022) recommend Koselugo as a single agent for the first-line or subsequent treatment of mitogen-activated protein kinase pathway mutation, no detectable mutation, or testing not available for multisystem Langerhans cell histiocytosis (LCH), single-system lung LCH, multifocal (> 2 lesions) single system bone LCH not responsive to a bisphosphonate, and central nervous system LCH.<sup>10</sup>

### **POLICY STATEMENT**

Prior Authorization is recommended for prescription benefit coverage of Koselugo. All approvals are provided for the duration noted below.

- **Koselugo™ (selumetinib capsules – AstraZeneca) is(are) covered as medically necessary when the following criteria is(are) met for FDA-approved indication(s) or other uses with supportive evidence (if applicable):**

### **FDA-Approved Indication**

- 1. Neurofibromatosis Type 1.** Approve for 1 year if the patient meets the following criteria (A and B):
- A)** Patient meets ONE of the following (i or ii):
    - i.** Patient is 2 to 18 years of age; OR
    - ii.** Patient meets both of the following (a and b):
      - a)** Patient is  $\geq 19$  years of age; AND
      - b)** Patient has been previously started on therapy with Koselugo prior to becoming 19 years of age; AND
  - B)** Prior to starting Koselugo, the patient had symptomatic, inoperable plexiform neurofibromas, according to the prescriber.

### **Other Uses with Supportive Evidence**

- 2. Circumscribed Glioma.** Approve for 1 year if the patient meets the following criteria (A, B, C, and D):
- A)** Patient meets ONE of the following (i or ii):
    - i.** Patient is 3 to 21 years of age; OR
    - ii.** Patient meets both of the following (a and b):
      - a)** Patient is  $> 21$  years of age; AND
      - b)** Patient has been previously started on therapy with Koselugo prior to becoming 21 years of age; AND
  - B)** Patient has recurrent, refractory, or progressive disease; AND
  - C)** Tumor meets one of the following (i, ii, or iii):
    - i.** Tumor is *BRAF* fusion positive; OR
    - ii.** Tumor is *BRAF V600E* activating mutation positive; OR
    - iii.** Patient has neurofibromatosis type 1 mutated glioma; AND
  - D)** The medication will be used as a single agent.
- 3. Langerhans Cell Histiocytosis.** Approve for 1 year if the patient meets the following criteria (A and B):
- A)** Patient meets one of the following (i, ii, iii, or iv):
    - i.** Patient meets both of the following (a and b):
      - a)** Patient has multisystem Langerhans cell histiocytosis; AND
      - b)** Patient has symptomatic disease or impending organ dysfunction; OR
    - ii.** Patient has single system lung Langerhans cell histiocytosis; OR
    - iii.** Patient meets all of the following (a, b, and c):
      - a)** Patient has single system bone disease; AND
      - b)** Patient has not responded to treatment with a bisphosphonate; AND  
Note: Examples of bisphosphonates include pamidronate and zoledronic acid.
      - c)** Patient has more than 2 bone lesions; OR
    - iv.** Patient has central nervous system disease; AND
  - B)** The medication is used as a single agent.

### **CONDITIONS NOT COVERED**

- **Koselugo™ (selumetinib capsules – AstraZeneca)**

**is(are) considered experimental, investigational or unproven for ANY other use(s).**

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**HISTORY**

Type of Revision	Summary of Changes	Review Date
Annual Revision	<b>Pilocytic Astrocytoma:</b> Added new condition of approval to Other Uses with Supportive Evidence.	04/13/2022
Selected Revision	<b>Neurofibromatosis Type 1:</b> Changed approval duration from 3 years to 1 year. <b>Pilocytic Astrocytoma:</b> Changed approval duration from 3 years to 1 year.	06/22/2022
Annual Revision	<b>Circumscribed Glioma:</b> Pilocytic Astrocytoma condition of approval was revised to Circumscribed Glioma. Patient is > 21 years of age and was started on Koselugo prior to becoming 21 years of age was added as new option for approval. Patient has neurofibromatosis type 1 mutated glioma added as new optional for approval. <b>Langerhans Cell Histiocytosis:</b> Added new condition of approval.	04/12/2023

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