



DRUG QUANTITY MANAGEMENT POLICY – PER DAYS

POLICY: Hereditary Angioedema – Ekterly Drug Quantity Management Policy – Per Days

- Ekterly® (sebetralstat tablets – KalVista)

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

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OVERVIEW

Ekterly, a plasma kallikrein inhibitor, is indicated for the **treatment of acute hereditary angioedema (HAE) attacks** in patients ≥ 12 years of age.¹

Dosing

The recommended dose for Ekterly is 600 mg (two 300 mg tablets) at the earliest recognition of an acute HAE attack.¹ A second dose of Ekterly may be taken at least 3 hours after the first dose if response is inadequate, or if symptoms worsen or recur. The maximum recommended dosage is 1,200 mg (four 300 mg tablets) in any 24-hour period. Of note, in the clinical trial, patients had the option to be administered a second dose of Ekterly 3 hours after the first dose. The second rescue dose was given for 39.8% of Ekterly-treated attacks.

Availability

Ekterly is supplied as 300 mg tablets in packets containing 4 tablets each.¹

Guidelines

US HAE Medical Advisory Board guidelines (2020) recommend that all patients with laboratory confirmed HAE should have access to at least two standard doses of an approved on-demand medication for treatment of acute attacks.² On-demand treatment of attacks is most effective when administered early after attack onset.

The quantity limits outlined below provide for the patient to treat 4 attacks (at the maximum Ekterly dose) per 28 days, with an override provided to treat an additional 4 attacks (at the maximum Ekterly dose) each month.

POLICY STATEMENT

This Drug Quantity Management program has been developed to promote the safe, effective, and economic use of Ekterly. If the Drug Quantity Management rule is not met for the requested medication at the point of service, coverage will be determined by the Criteria below. "One-time" approvals are provided for 30 days in duration.

Drug Quantity Limits

Product	Strength/Dosage Form	Retail Maximum Quantity per 28 Days	Home Delivery Maximum Quantity per 84 Days
Ekterly® (sebetralstat tablets)	300 mg tablets (packets of 4 tablets each)	16 tablets*	48 tablets*

* This is a quantity sufficient to treat four acute hereditary angioedema attacks in each 28-day period, assuming that the patient requires two 600 mg doses in a 24-hour period to treat the attack. If a patient requires additional Ekterly doses for an additional attack, exceptions will be provided based on the criteria below.

Exceptions to the quantity limits listed above are covered as medically necessary when the following criteria are met. Any other exception is considered not medically necessary.

CRITERIA

1. If the patient requires additional doses of Ekterly to treat a subsequent attack of hereditary angioedema (HAE), approve a one-time override for 16 additional tablets at retail or home delivery.

Note: At retail, the approval quantity should be the number of Ekterly tablets the patient has received in the past 28 days plus 16 tablets. At home delivery, the approval quantity should be the number of Ekterly tablets the patient has received in the past 84 days plus 16 tablets. ONE override may be approved ONCE every 30 days.

REFERENCES

1. Ekterly® tablets [prescribing information]. Cambridge, MA: KalVista; July 2025.
2. Busse PJ, Christiansen SC, Riedl MA, et al. US HAEA Medical Advisory Board 2020 guidelines for the management of hereditary angioedema. *J Allergy Clin Immunol Pract.* 2021;9(1):132-150.e3.

HISTORY

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