

Adakveo® (crizanlizumab-tmca) (Intravenous)

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I. Length of Authorization

Coverage will be provided for 6 months initially and may be renewed annually thereafter.

II. Dosing Limits

A. Quantity Limit (max daily dose) [NDC Unit]:

 Adakveo 100 mg/10 mL single-dose vials: 6 vials at weeks 0 and 2 and every 4 weeks thereafter

B. Max Units (per dose and over time) [HCPS Unit]:

• 120 billable units at weeks 0 and 2 and every 4 weeks thereafter

III. Initial Approval Criteria ¹

Coverage is provided in the following conditions:

Patient is at least 16 years of age; AND

Universal Criteria

• Therapy will not be used in conjunction with voxelotor (Oxbryta) or L-glutamine (Endari); AND

Sickle Cell Disease 1-3 † Φ

- Patient has a confirmed diagnosis of sickle-cell disease, of any genotype (e.g., HbSS, HbSC, HbS/beta⁰-thalassemia, HbS/beta⁺-thalassemia, and others) as determined by one of the following:
 - ο Identification of significant quantities of HbS with or without an additional abnormal βglobin chain variant by hemoglobin assay; **OR**
 - o Identification of biallelic *HBB* pathogenic variants where at least one allele is the p.Glu6Val pathogenic variant on molecular genetic testing; **AND**



- Patient had an insufficient response to a minimum 3-month trial of hydroxyurea (unless contraindicated or intolerant); **AND**
- Patient experienced one or more vaso-occlusive crises (VOC)* in the previous year despite adherence to hydroxyurea therapy

*VOC is defined as an event prompting either a visit or outreach to the provider which results in a diagnosis of VOC being made necessitating subsequent interventions such as narcotic pain management, non-steroidal anti-inflammatory therapy, hydration, etc.

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

IV. Renewal Criteria 1,3

Coverage can be renewed based upon the following criteria:

- Patient continues to meet the universal and other indication-specific relevant criteria identified in section III; AND
- Absence of unacceptable toxicity from the drug. Examples of unacceptable toxicity include: severe infusion related reactions (e.g., pain, headache, fever, chills, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, fatigue, dizziness, pruritus, urticaria, sweating, shortness of breath or wheezing), etc.; AND
- Disease response compared to pretreatment baseline as evidenced by a decrease in the frequency of vaso-occlusive crises (VOC) necessitating treatment, reduction in number or duration of hospitalizations, and/or reduction in severity of VOC

V. Dosage/Administration ¹

Indication	Dose
Sickle-Cell	Administer Adakveo 5 mg/kg by intravenous infusion over a period of 30 minutes at
Disease	Week 0, Week 2, and every 4 weeks thereafter.

VI. Billing Code/Availability Information

HCPCS:

• J0791 – Injection, crizanlizumab-tmca, 5 mg; 1 billable unit = 5 mg

NDC:

Adakveo 100 mg/10 mL (10 mg/mL) single-dose vial: 00078-0883-xx

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Appendix 1 – Covered Diagnosis Codes

ICD-10	ICD-10 Description	
D57.00	Hb-SS disease with crisis unspecified	
D57.01	Hb-SS disease with acute chest syndrome	
D57.02	Hb-SS disease with splenic sequestration	
D57.03	Hb-SS disease with cerebral vascular involvement	
D57.09	Hb-SS disease with crisis with other specified complication	
D57.1	Sickle-cell disease without crisis	
D57.20	Sickle-cell/Hb-C disease without crisis	
D57.211	Sickle-cell/Hb-C disease with acute chest syndrome	
D57.212	Sickle-cell/Hb-C disease with splenic sequestration	
D57.213	Sickle-cell/Hb-C disease with cerebral vascular involvement	
D57.218	Sickle-cell/Hb-C disease with crisis with other specified complication	
D57.219	Sickle-cell/Hb-C disease with crisis unspecified	
D57.3	Sickle-cell trait	
D57.40	Sickle-cell thalassemia without crisis	
D57.411	Sickle-cell thalassemia with acute chest syndrome	
D57.412	Sickle-cell thalassemia with splenic sequestration	
D57.413	Sickle-cell thalassemia, unspecified, with cerebral vascular involvement	
D57.418	Sickle-cell thalassemia, unspecified, with crisis with other specified complication	
D57.419	Sickle-cell thalassemia with crisis unspecified	
D47.42	Sickle-cell thalassemia beta zero without crisis	
D57.431	Sickle-cell thalassemia beta zero with acute chest syndrome	
D57.432	Sickle-cell thalassemia beta zero with splenic sequestration	
D57.433	Sickle-cell thalassemia beta zero with cerebral vascular involvement	
D57.438	Sickle-cell thalassemia beta zero with crisis with other specified complication	
D57.439	Sickle-cell thalassemia beta zero with crisis unspecified	
D57.44	Sickle-cell thalassemia beta plus without crisis	



D57.451	Sickle-cell thalassemia beta plus with acute chest syndrome	
D57.452	Sickle-cell thalassemia beta plus with splenic sequestration	
D57.453	Sickle-cell thalassemia beta plus with cerebral vascular involvement	
D57.458	Sickle-cell thalassemia beta plus with crisis with other specified complication	
D57.459	Sickle-cell thalassemia beta plus with crisis unspecified	
D57.80	Other sickle-cell disorders without crisis	
D57.811	Other sickle-cell disorders with acute chest syndrome	
D57.812	Other sickle-cell disorders with splenic sequestration	
D57.813	Other sickle-cell disorders with cerebral vascular involvement	
D57.818	Other sickle-cell disorders with crisis with other specified complication	
D57.819	Other sickle-cell disorders with crisis, unspecified	

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 Article (LCAs) and Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs) may exist and compliance with these policies is required where applicable. They can be found at: https://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/search.aspx. Additional indications may be covered at the discretion of the health plan.

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

Medicare Part B Administrative Contractor (MAC) Jurisdictions				
Jurisdiction	Applicable State/US Territory	Contractor		
E (1)	CA, HI, NV, AS, GU, CNMI	Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC		
F (2 & 3)	AK, WA, OR, ID, ND, SD, MT, WY, UT, AZ	Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC		
5	KS, NE, IA, MO	Wisconsin Physicians Service Insurance Corp (WPS)		
6	MN, WI, IL	National Government Services, Inc. (NGS)		
H (4 & 7)	LA, AR, MS, TX, OK, CO, NM	Novitas Solutions, Inc.		
8	MI, IN	Wisconsin Physicians Service Insurance Corp (WPS)		
N (9)	FL, PR, VI	First Coast Service Options, Inc.		
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M (11)	NC, SC, WV, VA (excluding below)	Palmetto GBA, LLC		
L (12)	DE, MD, PA, NJ, DC (includes Arlington & Fairfax counties and the city of Alexandria in VA)	Novitas Solutions, Inc.		
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