

Vimizim (elosulfase alfa) (Intravenous)

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I. Length of Authorization

Coverage will be provided for 12 months and may be renewed.

II. Dosing Limits

- A. Quantity Limit (max daily dose) [NDC Unit]:
 - Vimizim 5 mg/5 mL vial: 184 vials every 28 days
- B. Max Units (per dose and over time) [HCPCS Unit]:
 - 230 billable units (230 mg) every 7 days

III. Initial Approval Criteria ¹

Coverage is provided in the following conditions:

- Patient is at least 5 years of age; AND
- Documented baseline value for one or more of the following: endurance tests (e.g., six-minute walk test [6-MWT], timed 25-foot walk test [T25FW], three-minute stair climb test [3-MSCT]), and/or pulmonary function tests (e.g., percent predicted forced vital capacity [FVC]), etc.; AND

Mucopolysaccharidosis IVA (MPS IVA; Morquio A Syndrome) † Φ 1,3-5

- Documented diagnosis of Mucopolysaccharidosis IVA with biochemical/genetic confirmation by one of the following:
 - Absence or marked reduction in N-acetylgalactosamine 6-sulfatase (GALNS) enzyme activity in cultured fibroblasts or leukocytes; OR
 - O Detection of biallelic pathogenic mutations in the *GALNS* gene by genetic molecular testing (i.e., sequence analysis and/or deletion/duplication analysis)
- † FDA Approved Indication(s); ‡ Compendia recommended indication(s); ♠ Orphan Drug



IV. Renewal Criteria 1,3.5

Coverage may be renewed based on the following criteria:

- Patient continues to meet indication-specific relevant criteria such as concomitant therapy requirements (not including prerequisite therapy), performance status, etc. identified in section III; AND
- Absence of unacceptable toxicity from the drug. Examples of unacceptable toxicity include: anaphylaxis and hypersensitivity reactions, acute respiratory complications, spinal/cervical cord compression, etc.; AND
- Patient has shown a response to therapy as evidenced by the following when compared to pretreatment baseline values:
 - Stability or improvement in endurance tests (e.g., six-minute walk test [6-MWT], timed
 25-foot walk test [T25FW], three-minute stair climb test [3-MSCT]); OR
 - o Stability or improvement in pulmonary function tests (e.g., FVC, etc.)

V. Dosage/Administration ¹

Indication	Dose
Mucopolysaccharidosis	2 mg/kg administered once every week as an intravenous (IV) infusion
IVA (MPS IVA;	
Morquio A Syndrome)	

VI. Billing Code/Availability Information

HCPCS Code:

• J1322 – Injection, elosulfase alfa, 1 mg: 1 billable unit = 1 mg

NDC:

• Vimizim 5 mg/5 ml solution; single-dose vial: 68135-0100-xx

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Appendix 1 – Covered Diagnosis Codes

ICD-10	Description	
E76.210	Morquio A mucopolysaccharidoses	

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 Determinations (LCDs), and Local Coverage Articles (LCAs) 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/LCD/LCA): N/A

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8	MI, IN	Wisconsin Physicians Service Insurance Corp (WPS)	
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