# STANDARD MEDICARE PART B MANAGEMENT

# VYVGART (efgartigimod alfa-fcab) VYVGART HYTRULO (efgartigiomod alfa and hyaluronidase-qvfc)

## **POLICY**

## I. INDICATIONS

The indications below including FDA-approved indications and compendial uses are considered a covered benefit provided that all the approval criteria are met and the member has no exclusions to the prescribed therapy.

# **FDA-Approved Indication**

Vyvgart and Vyvgart Hytrulo are indicated for the treatment of generalized myasthenia gravis (gMG) in adult patients who are anti-acetylcholine receptor (AChR) antibody positive

All other indications will be assessed on an individual basis. Submissions for indications other than those enumerated in this policy should be accompanied by supporting evidence from Medicare approved compendia.

#### II. DOCUMENTATION

The following documentation must be available, upon request, for all submissions:

- A. For initial requests: chart notes, medical records, or claims history documenting:
  - 1. Positive anti-acetylcholine receptor (AChR) antibody test
  - 2. Myasthenia Gravis Foundation of America (MGFA) clinical classification score
  - 3. MG activities of daily living (MG-ADL) score
  - 4. Use of an acetylcholinesterase (AChE) inhibitor, steroid, or non-steroidal immunosuppressive therapy (NSIST)
- B. For continuation requests: Chart notes or medical record documentation supporting positive clinical response.

## III. CRITERIA FOR INITIAL APPROVAL

# Generalized myasthenia gravis (gMG)

Authorization of 6 months may be granted for treatment of generalized myasthenia gravis (gMG) when all of the following criteria are met:

- 1. Anti-acetylcholine receptor (AChR) antibody positive
- 2. Myasthenia Gravis Foundation of America (MGFA) clinical classification II to IV
- 3. MG activities of daily living (MG-ADL) total score of 5 or more with at least 50% of the score due to non-ocular symptoms
- 4. On a stable dose of at least one of the following:
  - a. Acetylcholinesterase inhibitors (e.g., pyridostigmine)
  - b. Steroids (at least 3 months of treatment)

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c. Nonsteroidal immunosuppressive therapy (NSIST) (at least 6 months of treatment) (e.g., azathioprine, mycophenolate mofetil)

#### IV. CONTINUATION OF THERAPY

All members (including new members) requesting authorization for continuation of therapy must be currently receiving therapy with the requested agent.

Authorization for 6 months may be granted when all of the following criteria are met:

- 1. The member is currently receiving therapy with Vyvgart or Vyvgart Hytrulo.
- 2. Vyvgart or Vyvgart Hytrulo is being used to treat an indication enumerated in Section III.
- 3. The member is receiving benefit from therapy. Benefit is defined as:
  - a. No evidence of unacceptable toxicity or disease progression while on the current regimen, AND
  - b. The member demonstrates a positive response to therapy (e.g., improvement in MG-ADL score, changes compared to baseline in Quantitative Myasthenia Gravis (QMG) total score).

#### V. SUMMARY OF EVIDENCE

The contents of this policy were created after examining the following resources:

- 1. The prescribing information for Vyvgart and Vyvgart Hytrulo.
- 2. The available compendium
  - a. National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN) Drugs and Biologics Compendium
  - b. Micromedex DrugDex
  - c. American Hospital Formulary Service- Drug Information (AHFS-DI)
  - d. Lexi-Drugs
  - e. Clinical Pharmacology
- 3. International consensus guidance for management of myasthenia gravis

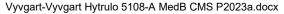
After reviewing the information in the above resources, the FDA-approved indications listed in the prescribing information for Vyvgart and Vyvgart Hytrulo are covered.

#### VI. EXPLANATION OF RATIONALE

Support for FDA-approved indications can be found in the manufacturer's prescribing information.

#### VII. REFERENCES

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