

Clinical Policy: Enzalutamide (Xtandi)

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Description

Enzalutamide (Xtandi[®]) is an androgen receptor inhibitor.

FDA Approved Indication(s)

Xtandi is indicated for the treatment of patients with:

- Castration-resistant prostate cancer (CRPC)
- Metastatic castration-sensitive prostate cancer (CSPC)

Policy/Criteria

Provider must submit documentation (such as office chart notes, lab results or other clinical information) supporting that member has met all approval criteria.

It is the policy of health plans affiliated with Centene Corporation[®] that Xtandi is **medically necessary** when the following criteria are met:

I. Initial Approval Criteria

A. Prostate Cancer (must meet all):

1. Diagnosis of one of the following (a or b):
 - a. CRPC, as evidenced by disease progression despite bilateral orchiectomy or other androgen deprivation therapy (ADT) (*see Appendix D*);
 - b. Metastatic CSPC;
2. Prescribed by or in consultation with an oncologist or urologist;
3. Age \geq 18 years;
4. For Xtandi request, medical justification supports inability to use generic enzalutamide, if available, (e.g., contraindications to excipients);
5. Prescribed concurrently with a gonadotropin-releasing hormone (GnRH) analog or member has had a bilateral orchiectomy;
6. Request meets one of the following (a, b, c, or d):*
 - a. If prescribed concomitantly with a strong CYP2C8 inhibitor (e.g., gemfibrozil): Dose does not exceed 80 mg (2 capsules or 1 tablet) per day;
 - b. Dose does not exceed 160 mg (4 capsules or 2 tablets) per day;
 - c. If prescribed concomitantly with a strong CYP3A4 inducer (e.g., phenytoin, carbamazepine, rifampin, rifabutin, rifapentine, and phenobarbital): Dose does not exceed 240 mg (6 capsules or 3 tablets) per day;
 - d. Dose is supported by practice guidelines or peer-reviewed literature for the relevant off-label use (*prescriber must submit supporting evidence*).

**Prescribed regimen must be FDA-approved or recommended by NCCN*

Approval duration: 6 months

B. Other diagnoses/indications

1. Refer to the off-label use policy for the relevant line of business if diagnosis is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized): HIM.PA.154 for health insurance marketplace.

II. Continued Therapy

A. Prostate Cancer (must meet all):

1. Currently receiving medication via Centene benefit, or documentation supports that member is currently receiving Xtandi for prostate cancer and has received this medication for at least 30 days;
2. Member is responding positively to therapy;
3. For Xtandi request, medical justification supports inability to use enzalutamide, if available, (e.g., contraindications to excipients);
4. If request is for a dose increase, request meets one of the following (a, b, c, or d):*
 - a. If prescribed concomitantly with a strong CYP2C8 inhibitor (e.g., gemfibrozil): New dose does not exceed 80 mg (2 capsules or 1 tablet) per day;
 - b. New dose does not exceed 160 mg (4 capsules or 2 tablets) per day;
 - c. If prescribed concomitantly with a strong CYP3A4 inducer (e.g., phenytoin, carbamazepine, rifampin, rifabutin, rifapentine, and phenobarbital): New dose does not exceed 240 mg (6 capsules or 3 tablets) per day;
 - d. New dose is supported by practice guidelines or peer-reviewed literature for the relevant off-label use (*prescriber must submit supporting evidence*).

**Prescribed regimen must be FDA-approved or recommended by NCCN*

Approval duration: 12 months

B. Other diagnoses/indications (must meet 1 or 2):

1. Currently receiving medication via Centene benefit and documentation supports positive response to therapy.
Approval duration: Duration of request or 6 months (whichever is less); or
2. Refer to the off-label use policy for the relevant line of business if diagnosis is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized): HIM.PA.154 for health insurance marketplace.

III. Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized:

- A. Non-FDA approved indications, which are not addressed in this policy, unless there is sufficient documentation of efficacy and safety according to the off label use policies – HIM.PA.154 for health insurance marketplace or evidence of coverage documents.

IV. Appendices/General Information

Appendix A: Abbreviation/Acronym Key

ADT: androgen deprivation therapy
CRPC: castration-resistant prostate cancer
CSPC: castration-sensitive prostate cancer
FDA: Food and Drug Administration

GnRH: gonadotropin-releasing hormone
LHRH: luteinizing hormone-releasing hormone

NCCN: National Comprehensive Cancer Network

Appendix B: Therapeutic Alternatives
Not applicable

Appendix C: Contraindications/Boxed Warnings
None reported

Appendix D: General Information

- CRPC is prostate cancer that progresses clinically, radiographically, or biochemically despite castrate levels of serum testosterone (< 50 ng/dL). Per the NCCN, ADT should be continued in the setting of CRPC while additional therapies are applied.
 - Examples of ADT include:
 - Bilateral orchiectomy (surgical castration)
 - Luteinizing hormone-releasing hormone (LHRH) agonist given with or without an anti-androgen:
 - LHRH agonists: Zoladex[®] (goserelin), Vantas[®] (histrelin), leuprolide (Lupron Depot[®], Eligard[®]), and Trelstar[®] (triptorelin)
 - Anti-androgens: bicalutamide (Casodex[®]), flutamide (Eulexin[®]), nilutamide (Nilandron[®]), Xtandi[®] (enzalutamide), Erleada[®] (apalutamide)
 - LHRH antagonist: Firmagon[®] (degarelix), Orgovyx[®] (relugolix)

V. Dosage and Administration

Indication	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose
CRPC, metastatic CSPC	160 mg (two 80 mg tablets) PO QD. Patients receiving Xtandi should also receive a GnRH analog concurrently or should have had bilateral orchiectomy	160 mg/day; 240 mg/day if taking a strong CYP3A4 inducer

VI. Product Availability

- Capsule: 40 mg
- Tablets: 40 mg, 80 mg

VII. References

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