

**Clinical Policy: Fibrinogen Concentrate [Human] (Fibryga, RiaSTAP)**

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Line of Business: Commercial, HIM, Medicaid

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**Description**

The following are fibrinogen (coagulation factor I) concentrates requiring prior authorization: fibrinogen concentrate [human] (Fibryga<sup>®</sup> and RiaSTAP<sup>®</sup>).

**FDA Approved Indication(s)**

Fibryga and RiaSTAP are indicated for the treatment of acute bleeding episodes in patients (specified as adults and children for Fibryga) with congenital fibrinogen deficiency, including afibrinogenemia and hypofibrinogenemia.

Limitation(s) of use: Fibryga is not indicated for dysfibrinogenemia.

**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<sup>®</sup> that Fibryga and RiaSTAP are **medically necessary** when the following criteria are met:

**I. Initial Approval Criteria****A. Congenital Fibrinogen Deficiency (must meet all):**

1. Diagnosis of congenital fibrinogen deficiency, including afibrinogenemia or hypofibrinogenemia;
2. Confirmation that the member does not have dysfibrinogenemia;
3. Prescribed by or in consultation with a hematologist;
4. Request is for treatment of acute bleeding episodes;
5. Documentation of both of the following (a and b):
  - a. Plasma functional and immunoreactive fibrinogen levels are < 150 mg/dL;
  - b. Prolonged prothrombin time and activated partial thromboplastin time as determined by laboratory-specific reference values;
6. Dose does not exceed the FDA-approved maximum recommended dose for the relevant indication.

**Approval duration: 3 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): CP.CPA.09 for commercial, HIM.PA.154 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.53 for Medicaid.

## **II. Continued Therapy**

### **A. Congenital Fibrinogen Deficiency (must meet all):**

1. Currently receiving medication via Centene benefit or member has previously met initial approval criteria;
2. Member is responding positively to therapy;
3. If request is for a dose increase, new dose does not exceed the FDA-approved maximum recommended dose for the relevant indication.

**Approval duration: 3 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 3 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): CP.CPA.09 for commercial, HIM.PA.154 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.53 for Medicaid.

## **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 – CP.CPA.09 for commercial, HIM.PA.154 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.53 for Medicaid, or evidence of coverage documents;

- ### **B.**
- Dysfibrinogenemia.

## **IV. Appendices/General Information**

*Appendix A: Abbreviation/Acronym Key*

FDA: Food and Drug Administration

*Appendix B: Therapeutic Alternatives*

Not applicable

*Appendix C: Contraindications/Boxed Warnings*

- Contraindication(s): individuals who have manifested severe immediate hypersensitivity reactions, including anaphylaxis, to Fibryga or its components (sodium citrate dihydrate; glycine; L-arginine hydrochloride); known anaphylactic or severe systemic reactions to human plasma-derived products (RiaSTAP)
- Boxed warning(s): none reported

**V. Dosage and Administration**

Drug Name	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose
Fibrinogen concentrate (Fibryga)	<p>The recommended target fibrinogen plasma level is 100 mg/dL for minor bleeding and 150 mg/dL for major bleeding.</p> <p><u>When baseline fibrinogen level is known</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Age <math>\geq</math> 12 years: [Target fibrinogen level (mg/dL) – measured fibrinogen level (mg/dL)]/1.8 (mg/dL per mg/kg body weight) by IV infusion</li> <li>• Age &lt; 12 years: [Target fibrinogen level (mg/dL) – measured fibrinogen level (mg/dL)]/1.4 (mg/dL per mg/kg body weight) by IV infusion</li> </ul> <p><u>When baseline fibrinogen level is not known</u>            70 mg/kg/dose by IV infusion</p>	Individualized based on the extent of bleeding, laboratory values, and the clinical condition of the patient
Fibrinogen concentrate (RiaSTAP)	<p><u>When baseline fibrinogen level is known</u>            [Target fibrinogen level (mg/dL) – measured fibrinogen level (mg/dL)]/1.7 (mg/dL per mg/kg body weight) by IV infusion</p> <p><u>When baseline fibrinogen level is not known</u>            70 mg/kg/dose by IV infusion</p>	Individualized based on the extent of bleeding, laboratory values, and the clinical condition of the patient

**VI. Product Availability**

Drug Name	Availability
Fibrinogen concentrate (Fibryga)	Lyophilized powder for reconstitution in a single-dose bottle: approximately 1 gram
Fibrinogen concentrate (RiaSTAP)	Lyophilized powder for reconstitution in a single-dose vial: 900-1,300 mg

**VII. References**

1. Fibryga Prescribing Information. Paramus, NJ: Octapharma USA, Inc.; December 2020. Available at: <https://dailymed.nlm.nih.gov/dailymed/drugInfo>. Accessed February 3, 2021.
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4. National Hemophilia Foundation. MASAC recommendations concerning products licensed for the treatment of hemophilia and other bleeding disorders (revised August 2020). Available at: [https://www.hemophilia.org/sites/default/files/document/files/263\\_treatment.pdf](https://www.hemophilia.org/sites/default/files/document/files/263_treatment.pdf). Accessed February 3, 2021.

**Coding Implications**

Codes referenced in this clinical policy are for informational purposes only. Inclusion or exclusion of any codes does not guarantee coverage. Providers should reference the most up-to-date sources of professional coding guidance prior to the submission of claims for reimbursement of covered services.

<b>HCPCS Codes</b>	<b>Description</b>
J7177	Injection, human fibrinogen concentrate (Fibryga), 1 mg
J7178	Injection, human fibrinogen concentrate, not otherwise specified, 1 mg

<b>Reviews, Revisions, and Approvals</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>P&amp;T Approval Date</b>
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