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	Standard Opt-out		ACSF		MMT		Medical Benefit: Biosimilars First		Medicare Part B: Biosimilars First	
	VF		Balanced		Medical Benefit: Managed Medicaid		Medical Benefit: Add-on		Medicare Part B: Add-on	

POLICY Document for ARALAST NP, GLASSIA, PROLASTIN-C, ZEMAIRA

The overall objective of this policy is to support the appropriate and cost effective use of the medication, specific to use of preferred medication options, lower cost site of care and overall clinically appropriate use. This document provides specific information to each section of the overall policy.

Section 1: Preferred Product

- Policy information specific to preferred medications

Section 2: Clinical Criteria

- Policy information specific to the clinical appropriateness for the medication

Section 1: Preferred Product

EXCEPTIONS CRITERIA ALPHA1-PROTEINASE INHIBITORS

PREFERRED PRODUCT: PROLASTIN-C

POLICY

This policy informs prescribers of preferred products and provides an exception process for targeted products through prior authorization.

I. PLAN DESIGN SUMMARY

This program applies to the alpha₁-proteinase inhibitor products specified in this policy. Coverage for targeted products is provided based on clinical circumstances that would exclude the use of the preferred product and may be based on previous use of a product. The coverage review process will ascertain situations where a clinical exception can be made. This program applies to members who are new to treatment with a targeted product for the first time.

Each referral is reviewed based on all utilization management (UM) programs implemented for the client.

Table. Alpha1-Proteinase Inhibitor Products

	Product(s)
Preferred	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prolastin-C (alpha₁-proteinase inhibitor [human])
Targeted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aralast NP (alpha₁-proteinase inhibitor [human]) • Glassia (alpha₁-proteinase inhibitor [human]) • Zemaira (alpha₁-proteinase inhibitor [human])

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II. EXCEPTION CRITERIA

This program applies to members requesting treatment for an indication that is FDA-approved for the preferred product.

Coverage for a targeted product is provided when either of the following criteria are met:

- A. Member has received treatment with the targeted product in the past 365 days.
- B. Member has had a documented intolerable adverse event to the preferred product, and the adverse event was not an expected adverse event attributed to the active ingredient as described in the prescribing information.

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Section 2: Clinical Criteria

STANDARD MEDICARE PART B MANAGEMENT

Alpha₁-Proteinase Inhibitors

ARALAST NP (alpha₁-proteinase inhibitor [human])

GLASSIA (alpha₁-proteinase inhibitor [human])

PROLASTIN-C (alpha₁-proteinase inhibitor [human])

ZEMAIRA (alpha₁-proteinase inhibitor [human])

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.

A. ARALAST NP

FDA-Approved Indication

Chronic augmentation therapy in adults with clinically evident emphysema due to severe congenital deficiency of alpha₁-proteinase inhibitor (alpha-antitrypsin deficiency)

B. GLASSIA

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FDA-Approved Indication

Chronic augmentation and maintenance therapy in adults with clinically evident emphysema due to severe hereditary deficiency of alpha₁-proteinase inhibitor (alpha₁-antitrypsin deficiency)

C. PROLASTIN-C

FDA-Approved Indication

Chronic augmentation and maintenance therapy in adults with clinical evidence of emphysema due to severe hereditary deficiency of alpha₁- proteinase inhibitor (alpha₁- antitrypsin deficiency)

D. ZEMAIRA

FDA-Approved Indication

Chronic augmentation and maintenance therapy in adults with alpha₁-proteinase inhibitor (alpha₁-antitrypsin) deficiency and clinical evidence of emphysema

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. CRITERIA FOR INITIAL THERAPY

Alpha₁-proteinase inhibitor (alpha₁-antitrypsin) deficiency

Indefinite authorization may be granted for treatment of alpha₁-antitrypsin deficiency in members who display clinically evident emphysema.

III. CONTINUATION OF THERAPY

All members (including new members) requesting authorization for continuation of therapy must be currently receiving alpha₁-proteinase inhibitor therapy.

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- A. The member is currently receiving therapy with an alpha₁-proteinase inhibitor.
- B. The alpha₁-proteinase inhibitor is being used to treat an indication enumerated in Section II.
- C. The member is receiving benefit from therapy.

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