

Hycamtin[®] (topotecan) (Oral)

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I. Length of Authorization

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

II. Dosing Limits

A. Quantity Limit (max daily dose) [NDC Unit]:

- 0.25 mg capsules: 15 capsules per 21 days
- 1.0 mg capsules: 25 capsules per 21 days

B. Max Units (per dose and over time) [HCPCS Unit]:

- 115 billable units per 21 days (23 billable units per day for 5 days)

III. Initial Approval Criteria¹

Coverage is provided in the following conditions:

Universal Criteria

- Must be used as a single agent; **AND**
- Patient will avoid concomitant therapy with P-gp or BCRP-inhibitors (e.g., cyclosporine, etc.); **AND**

Small Cell Lung Cancer †^{1,2,3}

- Patient must have a performance status of 0-2; **AND**
- Patient has contraindication to intravenous administration of topotecan; **AND**
 - Patient has relapse within 6 months following complete or partial response or stable disease with initial treatment; **OR**
 - Patient has primary progressive disease

Merkel Cell Carcinoma ‡²

- Patient has disseminated metastatic disease; **AND**
- Patient has contraindication to intravenous administration of topotecan; **AND**
- Patient is unable to receive or not a candidate for checkpoint immunotherapy (e.g., avelumab, pembrolizumab, nivolumab, etc.)

† FDA Approved Indication(s); ‡ Compendia recommended indication(s)

IV. Renewal Criteria¹

Coverage can be renewed based upon 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**
- Disease response with treatment as defined by stabilization of disease or decrease in size of tumor or tumor spread; **AND**
- Absence of unacceptable toxicity from the drug. Examples of unacceptable toxicity include: hematologic toxicities (neutropenia, thrombocytopenia, anemia), interstitial lung disease (monitor for new or progressive respiratory symptoms), severe diarrhea, etc.

V. Dosage/Administration

Indication	Dose
All indications	2.3 mg/m ² orally, once daily for 5 consecutive days repeated every 21 days.

VI. Billing Code/Availability Information

HCPCS code:

- J8705 – Topotecan, oral, 0.25 mg: 1 billable unit = 0.25 mg

NDC:

- 0.25 mg capsules: 00078-0672-xx
- 1 mg capsules: 00078-0673-xx

VII. References

1. Hycamtin [package insert]. East Hanover, NJ; Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation; September 2018. Accessed November 2020.
2. Referenced with permission from the NCCN Drugs & Biologics Compendium (NCCN Compendium®) topotecan oral. National Comprehensive Cancer Network, 2020. The NCCN Compendium® is a derivative work of the NCCN Guidelines®. NATIONAL COMPREHENSIVE CANCER NETWORK®, NCCN®, and NCCN GUIDELINES® are trademarks owned by the National Comprehensive Cancer Network, Inc. To view the most

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Appendix 1 – Covered Diagnosis Codes

ICD-10	ICD-10 Description
C33	Malignant neoplasm of trachea
C34.00	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified main bronchus
C34.01	Malignant neoplasm of right main bronchus
C34.02	Malignant neoplasm of left main bronchus
C34.10	Malignant neoplasm of upper lobe, unspecified bronchus or lung
C34.11	Malignant neoplasm of upper lobe, right bronchus or lung
C34.12	Malignant neoplasm of upper lobe, left bronchus or lung
C34.2	Malignant neoplasm of middle lobe, bronchus or lung
C34.30	Malignant neoplasm of lower lobe, unspecified bronchus or lung
C34.31	Malignant neoplasm of lower lobe, right bronchus or lung
C34.32	Malignant neoplasm of lower lobe, left bronchus or lung
C34.80	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of unspecified bronchus or lung
C34.81	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of right bronchus and lung
C34.82	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of left bronchus and lung
C34.90	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified part of unspecified bronchus or lung
C34.91	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified part of right bronchus or lung
C34.92	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified part of left bronchus or lung
C4A.0	Merkel cell carcinoma of lip
C4A.10	Merkel cell carcinoma of unspecified eyelid, including canthus
C4A.11	Merkel cell carcinoma of right eyelid, including canthus
C4A.12	Merkel cell carcinoma of left eyelid, including canthus
C4A.20	Merkel cell carcinoma of unspecified ear and external auricular canal
C4A.21	Merkel cell carcinoma of right ear and external auricular canal
C4A.22	Merkel cell carcinoma of left ear and external auricular canal
C4A.30	Merkel cell carcinoma of unspecified part of face
C4A.31	Merkel cell carcinoma of nose
C4A.39	Merkel cell carcinoma of other parts of face

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ICD-10	ICD-10 Description
C4A.4	Merkel cell carcinoma of scalp and neck
C4A.51	Merkel cell carcinoma of anal skin
C4A.52	Merkel cell carcinoma of skin of breast
C4A.59	Merkel cell carcinoma of other part of trunk
C4A.60	Merkel cell carcinoma of unspecified upper limb, including shoulder
C4A.61	Merkel cell carcinoma of right upper limb, including shoulder
C4A.62	Merkel cell carcinoma of left upper limb, including shoulder
C4A.70	Merkel cell carcinoma of unspecified lower limb, including hip
C4A.71	Merkel cell carcinoma of right lower limb, including hip
C4A.72	Merkel cell carcinoma of left lower limb, including hip
C4A.8	Merkel cell carcinoma of overlapping sites
C4A.9	Merkel cell carcinoma, unspecified
C7A.1	Malignant poorly differentiated neuroendocrine tumors
C7B.1	Secondary Merkel cell carcinoma
C78.00	Secondary malignant neoplasm of unspecified lung
C78.01	Secondary malignant neoplasm of right lung
C78.02	Secondary malignant neoplasm of left lung
C79.31	Secondary malignant neoplasm of brain
C79.51	Secondary malignant neoplasm of bone
C79.52	Secondary malignant neoplasm of bone marrow
Z85.118	Personal history of other malignant neoplasm of bronchus and lung
Z85.821	Personal history of Merkle cell carcinoma

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 Articles (LCAs) and Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs) may exist and compliance with these policies is required where applicable. They can be found at: <http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/search/advanced-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/Article): N/A

Medicare Part B Administrative Contractor (MAC) Jurisdictions		
Jurisdiction	Applicable State/US Territory	Contractor
E (1)	CA, HI, NV, AS, GU, CNMI	Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC
F (2 & 3)	AK, WA, OR, ID, ND, SD, MT, WY, UT, AZ	Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC

Medicare Part B Administrative Contractor (MAC) Jurisdictions

Jurisdiction	Applicable State/US Territory	Contractor
5	KS, NE, IA, MO	Wisconsin Physicians Service Insurance Corp (WPS)
6	MN, WI, IL	National Government Services, Inc. (NGS)
H (4 & 7)	LA, AR, MS, TX, OK, CO, NM	Novitas Solutions, Inc.
8	MI, IN	Wisconsin Physicians Service Insurance Corp (WPS)
N (9)	FL, PR, VI	First Coast Service Options, Inc.
J (10)	TN, GA, AL	Palmetto GBA, LLC
M (11)	NC, SC, WV, VA (excluding below)	Palmetto GBA, LLC
L (12)	DE, MD, PA, NJ, DC (includes Arlington & Fairfax counties and the city of Alexandria in VA)	Novitas Solutions, Inc.
K (13 & 14)	NY, CT, MA, RI, VT, ME, NH	National Government Services, Inc. (NGS)
15	KY, OH	CGS Administrators, LLC