

# Botulinum Toxins A and B (for Ohio Only)

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## Application

This Medical Benefit Drug Policy only applies to the state of Ohio. Any requests for services that are stated as unproven or services for which there is a coverage or quantity limit will be evaluated for medical necessity using Ohio Administrative Code 5160-1-01.

## Coverage Rationale

This policy refers to the following Botulinum toxin type A and B drug products:

- Dysport® (abobotulinumtoxinA)
- Daxxify® (daxibotulinumtoxinA-lanm)
- Xeomin® (incobotulinumtoxinA)
- Botox® (onabotulinumtoxinA)
- Myobloc® (rimabotulinumtoxinB)

**Botox® (onabotulinumtoxinA), Dysport® (abobotulinumtoxinA), Myobloc® (rimabotulinumtoxinB), and Xeomin® (incobotulinumtoxinA) are proven and medically necessary for the treatment of certain conditions outlined within the InterQual® criteria.** For medical necessity clinical coverage criteria, refer to the current release of the InterQual® guideline for:

- **Botox:** CP: Specialty Rx Non-Oncology, OnabotulinumtoxinA (Botox)
- **Dysport:** CP: Specialty Rx Non-Oncology, AbobotulinumtoxinA (Dysport)
- **Myobloc:** CP: Specialty Rx Non-Oncology, RimabotulinumtoxinB (Myobloc)
- **Xeomin:** CP: Specialty Rx Non-Oncology, IncobotulinumtoxinA (Xeomin)

Click [here](#) to view the InterQual® criteria.

**Daxxify (daxibotulinumtoxinA-lanm) is proven in the treatment of the following condition:**

- Cervical dystonia (also known as spasmodic torticollis)<sup>1</sup>

## Applicable Codes

The following list(s) of procedure and/or diagnosis codes is provided for reference purposes only and may not be all inclusive. Listing of a code in this policy does not imply that the service described by the code is a covered or non-covered health service. Benefit coverage for health services is determined by federal, state, or contractual requirements and applicable laws that may require coverage for a specific service. The inclusion of a code does not imply any right to reimbursement or guarantee claim payment. Other Policies and Guidelines may apply.

HCPCS Code	Description
C9399	Unclassified drugs or biologicals
J0585	Injection, onabotulinumtoxinA, 1 unit
J0586	Injection, abobotulinumtoxinA, 5 units
J0587	Injection, rimabotulinumtoxinB, 100 units
J0588	Injection, incobotulinumtoxinA, 1 unit
J3490	Unclassified drugs
J3590	Unclassified biologics

Diagnosis Code	Description
G24.09	Other drug induced dystonia
G24.1	Genetic torsion dystonia
G24.2	Idiopathic nonfamilial dystonia
G24.3	Spasmodic torticollis
G24.4	Idiopathic orofacial dystonia
G24.5	Blepharospasm
G24.8	Other dystonia
G24.9	Dystonia, unspecified

## Clinical Evidence

### Proven

#### *Cervical Dystonia*

The efficacy of Daxxify was evaluated in a randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled, multicenter trial in a total of 301 patients (NCT03608397).<sup>102</sup> At study baseline, 84% of patients had previously received a botulinum toxin as treatment for cervical dystonia. Patients had a clinical diagnosis of cervical dystonia with baseline Toronto Western Spasmodic Torticollis Rating Scale (TWSTRS) total score  $\geq 20$ , TWSTRS severity score  $\geq 15$ , TWSTRS disability score  $\geq 3$ , and TWSTRS pain score  $\geq 1$ . For patients who had previously received a botulinum toxin treatment for cervical dystonia, the trial required that  $\geq 14$  weeks had passed since the most recent botulinum toxin administration. Patients were randomized (3:3:1) to receive a single administration of 2.5 mL of either Daxxify 125 Units (n = 125), Daxxify 250 Units (n = 130), or placebo (n = 46), divided amongst the affected muscles as selected by the investigator. The primary efficacy endpoint was the mean change in the TWSTRS total score from baseline averaged over weeks 4 and 6. TWSTRS evaluates the severity of dystonia, patient-perceived disability from dystonia, and pain, with a range of possible scores from 0 to 85. The mean change from baseline in the total TWSTRS score was significantly greater for both dosage groups of Daxxify than for placebo.

## U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)

For non-cosmetic use, daxibotulinumtoxinA-lanm (Daxxify) is FDA approved for the treatment of cervical dystonia in adult patients.<sup>1</sup>

## References

1. Daxxify [prescribing information]. Newark, CA: Revance Therapeutics, Inc., August 2023.

## Policy History/Revision Information

Date	Summary of Changes
01/01/2024	<p><b>Coverage Rationale</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Revised list of applicable botulinum toxin type A and B drug products; added Daxxify® (daxibotulinumtoxinA-lanm)</li><li>● Added language to indicate Daxxify (daxibotulinumtoxinA-lanm) is proven in the treatment of cervical dystonia (also known as spasmodic torticollis)</li></ul> <p><b>Applicable Codes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Added HCPCS codes C9399, J3490, and J3590</li><li>● Added ICD-10 diagnosis codes G24.09, G24.1, G24.2, G24.3, G24.4, G24.5, G24.8, and G24.9</li></ul> <p><b>Supporting Information</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Added <i>Clinical Evidence</i>, <i>FDA</i>, and <i>References</i> sections</li><li>● Archived previous policy version CSOH2023D0017.A</li></ul>

## Instructions for Use

This Medical Benefit Drug Policy provides assistance in interpreting UnitedHealthcare standard benefit plans. When deciding coverage, the federal, state (Ohio Administrative Code [OAC]), or contractual requirements for benefit plan coverage must be referenced as the terms of the federal, state (OAC), or contractual requirements for benefit plan coverage may differ from the standard benefit plan. In the event of a conflict, the federal, state (OAC), or contractual requirements for benefit plan coverage govern. Before using this policy, please check the federal, state (OAC), or contractual requirements for benefit plan coverage. UnitedHealthcare reserves the right to modify its Policies and Guidelines as necessary. This Medical Benefit Drug Policy is provided for informational purposes. It does not constitute medical advice.

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