

# UnitedHealthcare Pharmacy Clinical Pharmacy Programs

Program Number	2024 P 1027-12
Program	Prior Authorization/Notification
Medication	Egrifta SV <sup>™</sup> (tesamorelin for injection)
P&T Approval Date	5/2011, 5/2012, 5/2013, 4/2014, 4/2015, 2/2016, 2/2017, 2/2018,
	2/2019, 2/2020, 2/2021, 2/2022, 2/2023, 2/2024
Effective Date	5/1/2024

### 1. Background:

Egrifta SV (tesamorelin) is a growth hormone releasing factor (GHRF) analog indicated for the reduction of excess abdominal fat in HIV-infected patients with lipodystrophy.

### **Limitations of Use:**

- Long-term cardiovascular safety of Egrifta SV has not been established.
- Not indicated for weight loss management.
- There are no data to support improved compliance with anti-retroviral therapies in HIV-positive patients taking Egrifta.

Coverage for Egrifta will be provided for patients who meet the following criteria:

# 2. Coverage Criteria<sup>a</sup>:

## A. Initial Authorization

- 1. **Egrifta** will be approved based on the following criterion:
  - a. Diagnosis of HIV-associated lipodystrophy

Authorization will be issued for 6 months.

### B. Reauthorization

- 1. **Egrifta** will be approved based on the following criterion:
  - a. Documentation of positive clinical response (e.g., improvement in visceral adipose tissue [VAT], decrease in waist circumference, belly appearance) while on Egrifta therapy.

#### Authorization will be issued for 12 months.

<sup>a</sup> State mandates may apply. Any federal regulatory requirements and the member specific benefit plan coverage may also impact coverage criteria. Other policies and utilization management programs may apply.



### 3. Additional Clinical Rules:

- Notwithstanding Coverage Criteria, UnitedHealthcare may approve initial and re-authorization based solely on previous claim/medication history, diagnosis codes (ICD-10) and/or claim logic. Use of automated approval and re-approval processes varies by program and/or therapeutic class.
- Supply limits may be in place.

### 4. References:

1. Egrifta [prescribing information]. Montreal, Quebec, Canada. Theratechnologies, Inc. October 2019.

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Change Control	
4/2014	Annual review with age assessment resulting in no change in clinical
	coverage. Updated references.
4/2015	Annual review with no change in clinical coverage. Updated
	references.
2/2016	Annual review. Modified initial coverage criteria to require only a
	diagnosis. Updated references.
2/2017	Annual review. No change in clinical coverage.
2/2018	Annual review. No change in clinical coverage.
2/2019	Annual review. No change in clinical coverage.
2/2020	Annual review. Updated reauthorization duration to 12 months.
2/2021	Annual review. No changes to clinical coverage. Updated background
	and references.
2/2022	Annual review. No changes to clinical coverage.
2/2023	Annual review with no changes to coverage criteria. Updated
	background, references and added state mandate footnote.
2/2024	Annual review with no changes to coverage criteria.