

## Clinical Pharmacy Program Guidelines for Bosulif

Program	Prior Authorization
Medication	Bosulif® (bosutinib)
Markets in Scope	Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Maryland, Nevada, New Jersey, New York CHIP, New York EPP, Pennsylvania-CHIP, Rhode Island, South Carolina
Issue Date	9/2013
Pharmacy and Therapeutics Approval Date	2/2021
Effective Date	4/2021

### 1. Background:

Bosulif® (bosutinib) is a kinase inhibitor indicated for the treatment of adult patients with chronic, accelerated, or blast phase Philadelphia-positive chronic myelogenous leukemia (Ph+ CML) with resistance or intolerance to prior therapy. Bosulif is also indicated for the treatment of newly-diagnosed chronic phase Ph+ CML.<sup>1</sup>

The National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN) recommends use of Bosulif in follow-up therapy in CML after primary treatment with imatinib, dasatinib, or nilotinib. NCCN also recommends Bosulif for advanced phase CML, or for CML patients that are post-transplant experiencing a cytogenetic or molecular relapse, for Philadelphia-positive acute lymphoblastic leukemia and for treatment of myeloid/lymphoid neoplasms with eosinophilia and tyrosine kinase fusion genes.<sup>2</sup>

### 2. Coverage Criteria:

<p><b>A. <u>Chronic Myeloid Leukemia</u></b></p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;"><b>1. <u>Initial Authorization</u></b></p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">a. <b>Bosulif</b> will be approved based on the following criterion:</p> <p style="margin-left: 80px;">(1) Diagnosis of chronic myeloid leukemia</p> <p style="text-align: center; margin-left: 40px;"><b>-AND-</b></p> <p style="margin-left: 80px;">(2) <b><u>One</u></b> of the following:</p> <p style="margin-left: 120px;">(a) Patient is not a candidate for imatinib as attested by physician</p>
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**-OR-**

(b) Patient is currently on Bosulif therapy

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

**2. Reauthorization**

a. **Bosulif** will be approved based on the following criterion:

(1) Patient does not show evidence of progressive disease while on Bosulif therapy

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

**B. Philadelphia Chromosome-Positive Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia**

**1. Initial Authorization**

a. **Bosulif** will be approved based on the following criterion:

(1) Diagnosis of Philadelphia chromosome-positive acute lymphoblastic leukemia

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

**2. Reauthorization**

a. **Bosulif** will be approved based on the following criterion:

(1) Patient does not show evidence of progressive disease while on Bosulif therapy

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

**C. Myeloid/Lymphoid Neoplasms**

**1. Initial Authorization**

a. **Bosulif** will be approved based on **both** of the following criteria:

(1) Diagnosis of myeloid/lymphoid neoplasms with eosinophilia

**- AND -**

(2) Presence of ABL1 rearrangement

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

**2. Reauthorization**

a. **Bosulif** will be approved based on the following criterion:

(1) Patient does not show evidence of progressive disease while on Bosulif therapy

**Authorization will be issued for 12 months**

**D. NCCN Recommended Regimens**

**1. Initial Authorization**

a. **Bosulif** will be approved for uses not outlined above if supported by The National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN) Drugs and Biologics Compendium.

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

**2. Reauthorization**

a. **Bosulif** will be approved based on the following criterion:

(1) Documentation of positive clinical response to Bosulif therapy

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

**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:**

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1. Bosulif [package insert]. New York, NY: Pfizer, Inc. June 2020.
2. The NCCN Drugs and Biologics Compendium (NCCN Compendium™). Available at [http://www.nccn.org/professionals/drug\\_compendium/content/contents.asp](http://www.nccn.org/professionals/drug_compendium/content/contents.asp). Accessed on December 14, 2020.

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<b>Change Control</b>	
Date	Change
9/19/2013	New guideline.
3/20/2014	Updated Bosulif to allow for “post allogeneic hematopoietic stem cell transplantation (HSCT)” as an alternative to trial/failure to prior therapy for patients with Ph+CML.  Background and References sections updated.
6/18/2015	Updated Initial Authorization duration of Bosulif for Philadelphia chromosome-positive chronic myelogenous/myeloid leukemia from 3 months to 12 months.
10/2016	Updated clinical criteria to align with Employer & Individual’s notification and updated policy template
12/2016	Changed Gleevec to imatinib mesylate. Removed ALL from off-label coverage criteria per NCCN. Updated background, formatting, and references.
11/2017	Annual Review. Updated background information and coverage criteria for advanced phase CML and added criteria for relapsed/refractory Ph + ALL per NCCN recommendation. Update references.
2/2018	Updated coverage criteria to include new indication for first line therapy for CML. Added a section for NCCN recommended regimens to account for NCCN updates that occur outside of scheduled policy reviews.
10/2018	Updated criteria requiring consideration of imatinib prior to Bosulif coverage for CML.
2/2019	Annual review. No changes to coverage criteria. Updated references.
2/2020	Annual review. Updated references.
2/2021	Annual review. Added NCCN recommendations for myeloid/lymphoid neoplasms. Updated criteria for Ph+ALL based on NCCN recommendations. Updated references.