

UnitedHealthcare Pharmacy
Clinical Pharmacy Programs

Program Number	2025 P 2378-1
Program	Prior Authorization/Medical Necessity
Medication	Brinsupri™ (brensocatib)
P&T Approval Date	11/2025
Effective Date	2/1/2026

1. Background:

Brinsupri is a dipeptidyl peptidase 1 (DPP1) inhibitor indicated for the treatment of non-cystic fibrosis bronchiectasis in adult and pediatric patients 12 years of age and older.

2. Coverage Criteria^a:**A. Initial Authorization**

1. **Brinsupri** will be approved based on **all** of the following criteria:

a. Diagnosis of non-cystic fibrosis bronchiectasis

-AND-

b. **All** of the following signs and symptoms associated with bronchiectasis:

(1) Cough most days of the week lasting greater than 3 months

(2) Production of mucopurulent sputum most days of the week lasting greater than 3 months

(3) Recurrent respiratory tract infections

-AND-

c. Chest computed tomography (CT) is positive for bronchiectasis

-AND-

d. Cystic fibrosis (CF) has been ruled out by **one** of the following:

(1) Sweat chloride test is negative

(2) Mutation analysis of the cystic fibrosis transmembrane conductance regulator (CFTR) gene is negative for CF

-AND-

e. **One** of the following:

(1) **Both** of the following:

- (a) Patient is 12 – 17 years of age
- (b) Patient has experienced one or more pulmonary exacerbation(s) requiring systemic antimicrobial therapy in the previous 12 months

-OR-

(2) **Both** of the following:

- (a) Patient is 18 years of age or older
- (b) Has experienced two or more pulmonary exacerbations requiring systemic antimicrobial therapy in the previous 12 months

-AND-

f. **One** of the following:

(1) Patient does not have co-existing COPD or asthma

-OR-

(2) For patients with co-existing COPD, the patient is currently being treated with **one** of the following therapies at maximally tolerated doses unless there is a contraindication or intolerance to these medications:

- (a) Dual therapy with a long-acting muscarinic antagonist (LAMA) (e.g., tiotropium, umeclidinium) and a long-acting beta agonist (LABA) (e.g., salmeterol, arformoterol, formoterol)
- (b) Triple therapy [LAMA + LABA combined with an inhaled corticosteroid (ICS) (e.g., budesonide, fluticasone propionate)]

-OR-

(3) For patients with co-existing asthma, the patient is currently being treated with **one** of the following therapies at maximally tolerated doses unless there is a contraindication or intolerance to these medications:

- (a) Inhaled corticosteroid (ICS) (e.g., fluticasone propionate)
- (b) Dual therapy with a LABA (e.g., salmeterol, arformoterol, formoterol) and ICS (e.g., budesonide, fluticasone propionate)
- (c) Triple therapy with a LAMA (e.g., tiotropium, umeclidinium) + LABA (e.g., salmeterol, arformoterol, formoterol) combined with an ICS (e.g., budesonide, fluticasone propionate)]

-AND-

- g. Prescribed by or in consultation with a pulmonologist

Authorization will be issued for 12 months.

B. Reauthorization

1. **Brinsupri** will be approved based on **all** of the following criteria:

- a. Documentation of a positive clinical response (e.g., the patient has not had an increase in the number of annual pulmonary exacerbations requiring treatment with systemic antibiotics, patient has not initiated therapy with long-term maintenance systemic or inhaled antibiotics since starting Brinsupri)

-AND-

- b. **One** of the following:

- (1) Patient does not have co-existing COPD or asthma

-OR-

- (2) For patients with co-existing COPD, the patient continues to be treated with **one** of the following therapies at maximally tolerated doses unless there is a contraindication or intolerance to these medications:

- (a) Dual therapy with a long-acting muscarinic antagonist (LAMA) (e.g., tiotropium, umeclidinium) and a long-acting beta agonist (LABA) (e.g., salmeterol, arformoterol, formoterol)
- (b) Triple therapy [LAMA + LABA combined with an inhaled corticosteroid (ICS) (e.g., budesonide, fluticasone propionate)]

-OR-

- (3) For patients with co-existing asthma, the patient continues to be treated with **one** of the following therapies at maximally tolerated doses unless there is a contraindication or intolerance to these medications:

- (a) Inhaled corticosteroid (ICS) (e.g., fluticasone propionate)
- (b) Dual therapy with a LABA (e.g., salmeterol, arformoterol, formoterol) and ICS (e.g., budesonide, fluticasone propionate)
- (c) Triple therapy with a LAMA (e.g., tiotropium, umeclidinium) + LABA (e.g., salmeterol, arformoterol, formoterol) combined with an ICS (e.g., budesonide, fluticasone propionate)]

-AND-

c. Prescribed by or in consultation with a pulmonologist

Authorization will be issued for 12 months.

^a 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:

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3. Barker, A. Bronchiectasis in adults: Maintaining Lung Health. In: UpToDate, Lam, A (Ed), UpToDate, Waltham, MA, 2025.

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Change Control	
11/2025	New program.