

# UnitedHealthcare Pharmacy Clinical Pharmacy Programs

Program Number	2025 P 1418-3
Program	Prior Authorization/Notification
Medication	Sohonos <sup>™</sup> (palovarotene)
P&T Approval Date	10/2023, 10/2024, 10/2025
Effective Date	12/1/2025

## 1. Background:

Sohonos (palovarotene) is a retinoid indicated for reduction in the volume of new heterotopic ossification in adults and children aged 8 years and older for females and 10 years and older for males with fibrodysplasia ossificans progressiva (FOP).

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

### A. Initial Authorization

- 1. **Sohonos** will be approved based on <u>all</u> of the following criteria:
  - a. Diagnosis of fibrodysplasia ossificans progressiva (FOP)

### -AND-

- b. **One** of the following:
  - (1) **Both** of the following:
    - (a) Patient is female
    - (b) Patient is aged 8 years and older

## -OR-

- (2) **Both** of the following:
  - (a) Patient is male
  - (b) Patient is aged 10 years and older

#### -AND-

c. Sohonos is being used to reduce the volume of new heterotopic ossification (HO)

Authorization will be issued for 12 months.

### **B.** Reauthorization

1. **Sohonos** will be approved based on the following criterion:



a. Documentation of positive clinical response to Sohonos 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 reauthorization 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. Sohonos [package insert]. Cambridge, MA: Ipsen Biopharmaceuticals, Inc.; March 2025.

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Change Control	
10/2023	New program.
10/2024	Annual review with no changes.
10/2025	Annual review with no changes to criteria. Updated reference.