

**Commercial/Healthcare Exchange PA Criteria**  
*Effective: September 2020*

**Prior Authorization:** Mycapssa

**Products Affected:** Mycapssa (octreotide) delayed-release oral capsules

**Medication Description:** Octreotide exerts pharmacologic actions similar to the natural hormone somatostatin, but is a more potent inhibitor of GH, glucagon, and insulin than somatostatin. Like somatostatin, it also suppresses luteinizing hormone (LH) response to gonadotropin-releasing hormone (GnRH), decreases splanchnic blood flow, and inhibits release of serotonin, gastrin, vasoactive intestinal peptide, secretin, motilin, and pancreatic polypeptide.

**Covered Uses:** Long-term maintenance treatment in acromegaly patients who have responded to and tolerated treatment with octreotide or lanreotide.

**Exclusion Criteria:**

1. Hypersensitivity to octreotide

**Required Medical Information:**

1. Diagnosis

**Age Restrictions:** N/A

**Prescriber Restrictions:** Prescribed by, or in consultation with an Endocrinologist

**Coverage Duration:** 12 months

**Other Criteria:**

- a. Patient has a diagnosis of Acromegaly; AND
- b. Patient has responded to and tolerated treatment with octreotide or lanreotide injections in the past.

**References:**

1. Mycapssa [product insert]. Chiasma, Inc. Needham, MA 02494. June 2020

**Policy Revision history**

Rev #	Type of Change	Summary of Change	Sections Affected	Date
1	New Policy	New Policy	All	09/02/2020

