

# Commercial/Healthcare Exchange PA Criteria Effective: July 6, 2023

**Prior Authorization:** Veozah (fezolinetant)

**Products Affected:** Veozah (fezolinetant) oral tablets

<u>Medication Description</u>: VEOZAH™ is indicated for the treatment of moderate to severe vasomotor symptoms due to menopause. Neurokinin 3 (NK3) receptor antagonist that blocks neurokinin B (NKB) binding on the kisspeptin/neurokinin B/dynorphin (KNDy) neuron to modulate neuronal activity in the thermoregulatory center.

**Covered Uses:** Treatment of moderate to severe vasomotor symptoms due to menopause.

#### **Exclusion Criteria:**

- 1. Known cirrhosis
- 2. Severe renal impairment or end-stage renal disease
- 3. Concomitant use with CYP1A2 inhibitors

### **Required Medical Information:**

- 1. Diagnosis
- 2. Medical history
- 3. Past therapies tried and failed

**Prescriber Restriction:** None

Age Restriction: None

Coverage Duration: 12 months

#### Other Criteria:

#### **Initial Approval Criteria**

- 1. Vasomotor Symptoms of Menopause
- A. Patient must be a perimenopausal or post-menopausal female; AND
- B. The provider attests to monitoring liver function tests (LFTs) prior to administration, at 3 months, 6 months, and 9 months after starting therapy; **AND**
- C. Patient must not have cirrhosis; AND
- D. Patient must not have severe renal impairment or end-stage renal disease; AND
- E. The medication must not be used concomitantly with CYP1A2 inhibitors; AND
- F. Patient must have tried and failed, or have contraindications to at least ONE menopausal hormone therapy; **AND**
- G. Patient must have tried and failed, or have contraindications to at least ONE nonhormonal therapy (such as SSRI, SNRI, gabapentin, oxybutynin etc.)

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## References:

1. Product Information: Veozah™ oral capsules, fezolinetant oral tablets. Astellas Pharma, Inc (per FDA), Northbrook, IL. 2023.

## **Policy Revision history**

Rev#	Type of Change	Summary of Change	Sections Affected	Date
1	New Policy	New Policy	All	07/06/2023