

- i. Patient is receiving myelosuppressive anti-cancer medications that are associated with a high risk of febrile neutropenia (the risk is at least 20% based on the chemotherapy regimen); OR
 - ii. Patient meets both of the following (a and b):
 - a) Patient is receiving myelosuppressive anti-cancer medications that are associated with a risk of febrile neutropenia, but the risk is less than 20% based on the chemotherapy regimen; AND
 - b) Patient has at least one risk factor for febrile neutropenia according to the prescriber; OR
Note: Examples of risk factors include age ≥ 65 years; prior chemotherapy or radiation therapy; persistent neutropenia; bone marrow involvement by tumor; recent surgery and/or open wounds; liver and/or renal dysfunction; poor performance status; or human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection.
 - iii. Patient meets both of the following (a and b):
 - a) Patient has had a neutropenic complication from prior chemotherapy and did not receive prophylaxis with a colony stimulating factor; AND
Note: Examples of colony stimulating factors include filgrastim products, pegfilgrastim products, and sargramostim products (e.g., Leukine).
 - b) A reduced dose or frequency of chemotherapy may compromise treatment outcome; OR
 - iv. Patient who has received chemotherapy has febrile neutropenia and has at least one risk factor for poor clinical outcomes or for developing infection-associated complications according to the prescriber; AND
Note: Examples of risk factors include sepsis syndrome; age > 65 years; severe neutropenia (absolute neutrophil count [ANC] < 100 cells/mm³); neutropenia expected to be > 10 days in duration; invasive fungal infection; or other clinically documented infections.
- B) The medication is prescribed by or in consultation with an oncologist or hematologist.**
- 4. Peripheral Blood Progenitor Cell Collection and Therapy.** Approve for 1 month if prescribed by or in consultation with an oncologist, a hematologist, or a physician who specializes in transplantation.
 - 5. Radiation Syndrome (Hematopoietic Syndrome of Acute Radiation Syndrome).** Approve for 1 month if prescribed by or in consultation with a physician who has expertise in treating acute radiation syndrome.
 - 6. Severe Chronic Neutropenia (e.g., Congenital Neutropenia, Cyclic Neutropenia, Idiopathic Neutropenia).** Approve for 6 months if prescribed by or in consultation with a hematologist.

Other Uses with Supportive Evidence

- 7. Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia.** Approve for 1 month if prescribed by or in consultation with an oncologist or a hematologist.
- 8. Cytokine Release Syndrome Associated with Chimeric Antigen Receptor (CAR) T-Cell Therapy.** Approve for 1 month if prescribed for a patient who has neutropenia.
Note: Examples of CAR T-cell therapy include Kymriah (tisagenlecleucel intravenous infusion) and Yescarta (axicabtagene ciloleucel intravenous infusion).
- 9. Drug-Induced (Non-Chemotherapy) Agranulocytosis or Neutropenia.** Approve for 1 month.
- 10. Myelodysplastic Syndromes.** Approve for 3 months if prescribed by or in consultation with an oncologist or hematologist.

- 11. Neutropenia Associated with Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) or Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (AIDS).** Approve for 4 months if the agent is prescribed by or in consultation with a physician who specializes in infectious diseases, a hematologist, or a physician who specializes in the management of HIV/AIDS.
- 12. Radiation-Induced Neutropenia.** Approve for 6 months if the patient meets the following criteria (A and B):
 - A)** Patient is not currently receiving chemotherapy; AND
 - B)** The medication is prescribed by or in consultation with an oncologist, radiologist, or radiation oncologist.

CONDITIONS NOT RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL

Coverage of filgrastim products is not recommended in the following situations:

1. Coverage is not recommended for circumstances not listed in the Recommended Authorization Criteria. Criteria will be updated as new published data are available.

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