Clinical Policy: Factor XIII A-Subunit, Recombinant (Tretten)

Reference Number: CP.PHAR.222
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Line of Business: Commercial, HIM, Medicaid

Coding Implications
Revision Log

See Important Reminder at the end of this policy for important regulatory and legal information.

Description

Factor XIII A-subunit, recombinant (Tretten®) is a recombinant factor XIII concentrate.

FDA Approved Indication(s)

Tretten is indicated for routine prophylaxis of bleeding in patients with congenital factor XIII A-subunit deficiency.

Limitation(s) of use: Tretten is not for use in patients with congenital factor XIII B-subunit deficiency.

Policy/Criteria

Provider must submit documentation (such as office chart notes, lab results or other clinical information) supporting that member has met all approval criteria.

It is the policy of health plans affiliated with Centene Corporation® that Tretten is **medically necessary** when the following criteria are met:

I. Initial Approval Criteria

A. Congenital Factor XIII A-Subunit Deficiency (must meet all)**:**

1. Diagnosis of congenital factor XIII A-subunit deficiency;
2. Prescribed by or in consultation with a hematologist;
3. Request is for routine prophylaxis to prevent or reduce the frequency of bleeding episodes;
4. For routine prophylaxis requests, member meets one of the following (a, b, or c):
   a. Member has previously used factor XIIIa for routine prophylaxis;
   b. Member has severe hemophilia (defined as factor level of < 1%);
   c. Member has experienced at least one serious spontaneous bleed (*see Appendix D*).

Approval duration:
Medicaid/HIM – 6 months
Commercial – 6 months or to the member's renewal date, whichever is longer

B. Other diagnoses/indications (must meet 1 or 2)**:**

1. If this drug has recently (within the last 6 months) undergone a label change (e.g., newly approved indication, age expansion, new dosing regimen) that is not yet reflected in this policy, refer to one of the following policies (a or b):
   a. For drugs on the formulary (commercial, health insurance marketplace) or PDL (Medicaid), the no coverage criteria policy for the relevant line of business:

CP.CPA.190 for commercial, HIM.PA.33 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.255 for Medicaid; or

b. For drugs NOT on the formulary (commercial, health insurance marketplace) or PDL (Medicaid), the non-formulary policy for the relevant line of business: CP.CPA.190 for commercial, HIM.PA.103 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.16 for Medicaid; or

2. If the requested use (e.g., diagnosis, age, dosing regimen) is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized) AND criterion 1 above does not apply, refer to the off-label use policy for the relevant line of business: CP.CPA.09 for commercial, HIM.PA.154 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.53 for Medicaid.

II. Continued Therapy

A. Congenital Factor XIII A-Subunit Deficiency (must meet all)**:**

1. Member meets one of the following (a or b):
   a. Currently receiving medication via Centene benefit or member has previously met initial approval criteria;
   b. Member is currently receiving medication and is enrolled in a state and product with continuity of care regulations (*refer to state specific addendums for CC.PHARM.03A and CC.PHARM.03B);*
2. Member is responding positively to therapy.

Approval duration:
Medicaid/HIM – 12 months
Commercial – 6 months or to the member's renewal date, whichever is longer

B. Other diagnoses/indications (must meet 1 or 2)**:**

1. If this drug has recently (within the last 6 months) undergone a label change (e.g., newly approved indication, age expansion, new dosing regimen) that is not yet reflected in this policy, refer to one of the following policies (a or b):
   a. For drugs on the formulary (commercial, health insurance marketplace) or PDL (Medicaid), the no coverage criteria policy for the relevant line of business: CP.CPA.190 for commercial, HIM.PA.33 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.255 for Medicaid; or
   b. For drugs NOT on the formulary (commercial, health insurance marketplace) or PDL (Medicaid), the non-formulary policy for the relevant line of business: CP.CPA.190 for commercial, HIM.PA.103 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.16 for Medicaid; or
2. If the requested use (e.g., diagnosis, age, dosing regimen) is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized) AND criterion 1 above does not apply, refer to the off-label use policy for the relevant line of business: CP.CPA.09 for commercial, HIM.PA.154 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.53 for Medicaid.

III. Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized:

A. Non-FDA approved indications, which are not addressed in this policy, unless there is sufficient documentation of efficacy and safety according to the off label use policy – CP.CPA.09 for commercial, HIM.PA.154 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.53 for Medicaid, or evidence of coverage documents;
B. Congenital factor XIII B-subunit deficiency.

IV. Appendices/General Information

Appendix A: Abbreviation/Acronym Key
FDA: Food and Drug Administration

Appendix B: Therapeutic Alternatives
Not applicable

Appendix C: Contraindications/Boxed Warnings
- Contraindication(s): hypersensitivity to the active substance or to any of the excipients
- Boxed warning(s): none reported

Appendix D: General Information
- Serious bleeding episodes include bleeds in the following sites: intracranial; neck/throat; gastrointestinal; joints (hemarthrosis); muscles (especially deep compartments such as the iliopsoas, calf, forearm); or mucous membranes of the mouth, nose, and genitourinary tract.
- Spontaneous bleed is defined as a bleeding episode that occurs without apparent cause and is not the result of trauma.

V. Dosage and Administration

Indication	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose
Routine bleeding prophylaxis	35 IU/kg IV once monthly to achieve a target trough level of Factor XIII activity ≥ 10%. Consider dose adjustment if adequate coverage is not achieved with the 35 IU/kg dose.	Individualized

VI. Product Availability

Powder for reconstitution in single-use vial: 2,000 to 3,125 IU (*the actual amount of Tretten in international units is stated on each carton and vial; may vary for each vial*)

VII. References

1. Tretten Prescribing Information. Plainsboro, NJ: Novo Nordisk; June 2020. Available at http://www.novo-pi.com/tretten.pdf. Accessed October 29, 2024.
2. Srivastava A, Santagostino E, Dougall A, et al. WFH guidelines for the management of hemophilia. *Haemophilia.* 2020;26(suppl 6):1-158.

3. Medical and Scientific Advisory Council (MASAC) of the National Bleeding Disorders Foundation (formerly National Hemophilia Foundation): Database of treatment guidelines. Available at https://www.hemophilia.org/healthcare-professionals/guidelines-on-care/masac-documents. Accessed November 18, 2024.

Coding Implications
Codes referenced in this clinical policy are for informational purposes only. Inclusion or exclusion of any codes does not guarantee coverage. Providers should reference the most up-to-date sources of professional coding guidance prior to the submission of claims for reimbursement of covered services.

HCPCS Codes	Description
J7181	Injection, factor XIII A-subunit, (recombinant), per IU

Reviews, Revisions, and Approvals	Date	P&T Approval Date
1Q 2021 annual review: no significant changes; enhanced existing requirement for A-subunit disease by excluding coverage for B-subunit disease in section III; references to HIM.PHAR.21 revised to HIM.PA.154; references reviewed and updated.	12.01.20	02.21
1Q 2022 annual review: no significant changes; references reviewed and updated.	11.23.21	02.22
Clarified requirement for coverage of factor XIIIa for routine prophylaxis: the requirement for factor XIII activity level or documentation of bleed history only applies to requests for new starts to routine prophylactic therapy.	03.03.22	05.22
Template changes applied to other diagnoses/indications.	10.05.22	
1Q 2023 annual review: Removed "life-threatening" from "life-threatening or serious bleed" criterion as definition of what is serious vs life-threatening may not be mutually exclusive and there exists potential for misinterpretation; references reviewed and updated.	11.08.22	02.23
1Q 2024 annual review: no significant changes; updated sites of serious bleeds per WFH guideline in Appendix D; references reviewed and updated.	10.27.23	02.24
1Q 2025 annual review: for Commercial line of business, revised initial and continued approval durations to be "6 months or to the member's renewal date, whichever is longer;" for Medicaid and HIM lines of business, continued approval duration revised from 6 months to 12 months; references reviewed and updated.	10.29.24	02.25

Important Reminder
This clinical policy has been developed by appropriately experienced and licensed health care professionals based on a review and consideration of currently available generally accepted

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Note: For Medicaid members, when state Medicaid coverage provisions conflict with the coverage provisions in this clinical policy, state Medicaid coverage provisions take precedence. Please refer to the state Medicaid manual for any coverage provisions pertaining to this clinical policy.