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## Xuriden

### Description

#### Xuriden (uridine triacetate)

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#### Background

Xuriden is used to treat hereditary orotic aciduria, an extremely rare genetic disorder where the body cannot make uridine due to a deficient enzyme. Uridine is a critical component of ribonucleic acid (RNA), which plays a vital role in countless cell functions. The disease generally manifests itself as blood abnormalities, urinary tract obstruction (due to formation of orotic acid crystals in the urinary tract), failure to thrive, and developmental delays. Xuriden works by replacing uridine so that RNA can continue with its necessary function (1).

#### Regulatory Status

FDA-approved indication: Xuriden is a pyrimidine analog for uridine replacement indicated for the treatment of hereditary orotic aciduria (1).

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#### Related policies

### Policy

*This policy statement applies to clinical review performed for pre-service (Prior Approval, Precertification, Advanced Benefit Determination, etc.) and/or post-service claims.*

Xuriden may be considered **medically necessary** if the conditions indicated below are met.

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Xuriden may be considered **investigational** in patients for all other indications.

## Prior-Approval Requirements

### Diagnosis

Patient must have the following:

Hereditary orotic aciduria

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### Prior – Approval *Renewal* Requirements

Same as above

### Policy Guidelines

### Pre - PA Allowance

None

### Prior - Approval Limits

**Duration** 2 years

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### Prior – Approval *Renewal* Limits

Same as above

### Rationale

### Summary

Xuriden is a pyrimidine analog indicated for hereditary orotic aciduria. Hereditary orotic aciduria is a rare genetic disorder. The safety and effectiveness of Xuriden have been established in pediatric patients with hereditary orotic aciduria (1).

Prior approval is required to ensure the safe, clinically appropriate, and cost-effective use of Xuriden while maintaining optimal therapeutic outcomes.

### References

1. Xuriden [package insert]. West Conshohocken, PA:BTG International Inc.; August 2023.

### Policy History

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| Date           | Action                                                                      |
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| February 2016  | Addition to PA                                                              |
| March 2016     | Annual editorial review                                                     |
| September 2016 | Annual editorial review                                                     |
| December 2017  | Annual review and reference update                                          |
| November 2018  | Annual review                                                               |
| December 2019  | Annual editorial review. Changed approval duration from lifetime to 2 years |
| December 2020  | Annual review and reference update                                          |
| December 2021  | Annual review                                                               |
| December 2022  | Annual review. Changed policy number to 5.30.041                            |
| September 2023 | Annual review                                                               |
| September 2024 | Annual review and reference update                                          |
| September 2025 | Annual review                                                               |

## Keywords

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