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Applicable	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

## Adcetris (brentuximab vedotin)

Override(s)	Approval Duration
Prior Authorization	1 year

Medications
Adcetris (brentuximab vedotin)

### APPROVAL CRITERIA

Requests for Adcetris (brentuximab vedotin) may be approved if the following criteria are met:

- I. Individual has a diagnosis of Hodgkin Lymphoma (HL); **AND**
  - II. Individual is using for one of the following:
    - A. Previously untreated stage III or IV classical HL, in combination with doxorubicin, vinblastine and dacarbazine; **OR**
    - B. Previously untreated classical HL in older adults (≥60 years), as sequential therapy with doxorubicin, vinblastine, and dacarbazine, or in combination with dacarbazine (NCCN 2A); **OR**
    - C. Relapsed or refractory disease in a single line of therapy as a single agent or in combination with bendamustine (Label, NCCN 2A); **OR**
    - D. As consolidation therapy after an autologous stem cell transplantation for individuals at high risk of relapse or progression, that is, individuals with any of the following:
      1. Primary refractory HL; **OR**
      2. Relapsed HL with an initial remission duration of less than 12 months; **OR**
      3. Extranodal involvement at the start of pre-transplantation salvage chemotherapy;

**OR**

  - E. As maintenance therapy for 1 year following high-dose therapy and autologous stem cell rescue for relapsed or refractory disease in those who are brentuximab vedotin naïve and have a Deauville score of less than 5 (NCCN 2A);
- OR**
- III. Individual has a diagnosis of CD30+ Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma; **AND**
- IV. Individual is using for one of the following:
  - A. Cutaneous anaplastic large cell lymphoma; **OR**
  - B. Cutaneous T-cell lymphoma, including mycosis fungoides/Sézary syndrome, for the following:
    1. Relapsed or refractory disease; **OR**
    2. As first-line therapy for advanced disease presentation (for example,

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folliculotropic, large-cell transformation or extracutaneous disease) (NCCN 2A);

**OR**

C. In combination with cyclophosphamide, doxorubicin, and prednisone, for previously untreated:

1. Previously T-cell lymphoma (including systemic anaplastic large cell lymphoma); **OR**
2. Adult T-cell leukemia/lymphoma (NCCN 2A); **OR**
3. Hepatosplenic Gamma-Delta T-Cell Lymphoma (NCCN 2A);

**OR**

D. As a single agent for adult T-cell leukemia/lymphoma that has not responded to first-line therapy (NCCN 2A); **OR**

E. Relapsed or refractory disease after at least one prior multi-agent chemotherapy regimen for treatment of any of the following:

1. Systemic anaplastic large cell lymphoma; **OR**
2. T-cell lymphoma (excluding cutaneous T-cell lymphoma) (NCCN 2A); **OR**
3. Lymphomatoid papulosis that is symptomatic or characterized by extensive cutaneous lesions (NCCN 2A);

**OR**

F. As an adjuvant systemic therapy for breast implant-associated naplastic large cell lymphoma for either of the following (NCCN 2A):

1. Residual, localized disease (confined to capsule/implant/breast) following partial excision or capsulectomy; **OR**
2. Extended disease (stage II–IV).

Requests for Adcetris (brentuximab vedotin) may **not** be approved when the above criteria are not met and for all other indications.

**Note:**

Adcetris (brentuximab vedotin) has a black box warning for John Cunningham (JC) virus infection resulting in progressive multifocal leukoencephalopathy (PML); death can occur in individuals receiving Adcetris.

**Key References:**

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