

# PROVIDER UPDATE

An Update for Highmark Health Options Providers and Clinicians

## Updated Policy Notices for 2/15/18 Effective Date

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## Brineura™ (cerliponase alfa)

CLINICAL MEDICATION POLICY	
Policy Name:	Brineura™ (cerliponase alfa)
Policy Number:	MP-064-MD-DE
Approved By:	Medical Management; Clinical Pharmacy
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### POLICY SUMMARY

Highmark Health Options provides coverage under the medical surgical benefits of the Company’s Medicaid products for the the medically necessary administration via intracerebroventricular infusion of Brineura (cerliponase alfa) in patients diagnosed with late infantile neuronal ceroid lipofuscinosis type 2 (CLN2).

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**Lupron Depot® and Lupron Depot-PED® (leuprolide acetate)**

<b>CLINICAL MEDICATION POLICY</b>	
<b>Policy Name:</b>	Lupron Depot® and Lupron Depot-PED® (leuprolide acetate)
Policy Number:	MP-046-MD-DE
Responsible Department(s):	Medical Management; Clinical Pharmacy
Provider Notice Date:	01/15/2018
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**POLICY SUMMARY**

Highmark Health Options provides coverage under the medical benefits of the Company’s Medicaid products for medically necessary intramuscular injection of Lupron depot and Lupron depot-PED (leuprolide acetate).

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## Velcade® (bortezomib)

CLINICAL MEDICATION POLICY	
Policy Name:	Velcade® (bortezomib)
Policy Number:	MP-047-MD-DE
Responsible Department(s):	Medical Management; Clinical Pharmacy
Provider Notice Date:	01/15/2018
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### **POLICY SUMMARY**

Highmark Health Options provides coverage under the medical benefits of the Company’s Medicaid products for medically necessary intravenous or subcutaneous administrations of VELCADE (bortezomib).

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## BRAF Mutation Analysis

CLINICAL MEDICAL POLICY	
<b>Policy Name:</b>	BRAF Mutation Analysis
<b>Policy Number:</b>	MP-062-MD-DE
<b>Approved By:</b>	Medical Management
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### **POLICY SUMMARY**

Highmark Health Options provides coverage under the medical surgical benefits of the Company’s Medicaid products for medically necessary BRAF testing for melanoma and colorectal cancer.

This policy is designed to address medical necessity guidelines that are appropriate for the majority of individuals with a particular disease, illness or condition. Each person’s unique clinical circumstances warrant individual consideration, based upon review of applicable medical records.

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## Gender Transition Services

<b>CLINICAL MEDICAL POLICY</b>	
<b>Policy Name:</b>	Gender Transition Services
Policy Number:	MP-033-MD-PA
Responsible Department(s):	Medical Management
Provider Notice Date:	01/15/2018
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### **POLICY SUMMARY**

Highmark Health Options provides coverage under the medical-surgical benefits of the Company’s Medicaid products for medically necessary gender transition services.

This policy is designed to address medical necessity guidelines that are appropriate for the majority of individuals with a particular disease, illness or condition. Each person’s unique clinical circumstances warrant individual consideration, based upon review of applicable medical records

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## Genetic Testing for Warfarin Therapy

CLINICAL MEDICAL POLICY	
<b>Policy Name:</b>	Genetic Testing for Warfarin Therapy
<b>Policy Number:</b>	MP-063-MD-DE
<b>Responsible Department(s):</b>	Medical Management
<b>Provider Notice Date:</b>	01/15/2018
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### **POLICY SUMMARY**

Highmark Health Options does not provide coverage for genetic testing for warfarin therapy initiation.

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## Home Oxygen Therapy (HOT)

<b>CLINICAL MEDICAL POLICY</b>	
<b>Policy Name:</b>	Home Oxygen Therapy (HOT)
Policy Number:	MP-069-MD-DE
Responsible Department(s):	Medical Management
Provider Notice Date:	01/15/2018
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### **POLICY SUMMARY**

Highmark Health Options may provide coverage under the Durable Medical Equipment (DME) benefits of the Company’s Medicaid products for medically necessary oxygen therapy in the home. This policy addresses documentation and clinical requirements necessary for use of oxygen gas cylinders, liquid oxygen, and oxygen concentrators.

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## Molecular Markers for Fine Needle Aspirates of Thyroid Nodules

<b>CLINICAL MEDICAL POLICY</b>	
<b>Policy Name:</b>	Molecular Markers for Fine Needle Aspirates of Thyroid Nodules
<b>Policy Number:</b>	MP-065-MD-DE
<b>Responsible Department(s):</b>	Medical Management
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### **POLICY SUMMARY**

Highmark Health Options may provide coverage under the medical-surgical benefits of the Company’s Medicaid products for medically necessary gene expression classifier for molecular marker evaluation of fine-needle aspirates of thyroid nodules.

This policy is designed to address medical necessity guidelines that are appropriate for the majority of individuals with a particular disease, illness or condition. Each person’s unique clinical circumstances warrant individual consideration, based upon review of applicable medical records.

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## Alimta® (Pemetrexed)

CLINICAL MEDICATION POLICY	
<b>Policy Name:</b>	Alimta® (Pemetrexed)
<b>Policy Number:</b>	MP-027-MD-DE
<b>Responsible Department(s):</b>	Medical Management; Clinical Pharmacy
<b>Provider Notice Date:</b>	01/15/2018; 11/15/2016
<b>Issue Date:</b>	02/15/2018
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### **POLICY SUMMARY**

Highmark Health Options provides coverage for the intravenous administration of Alimta® (Pemetrexed) under the medical benefits of the Company’s Medicaid products when medically necessary.

This policy is designed to address medical necessity guidelines that are appropriate for the majority of individuals with a particular disease, illness or condition. Each person’s unique clinical circumstances warrants individual consideration, based upon review of applicable medical records.

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## Granulocyte Colony Stimulating Factors (G-CSFs)

<b>CLINICAL MEDICATION POLICY</b>	
<b>Policy Name:</b>	Granulocyte Colony Stimulating Factors (G-CSFs)
Policy Number:	MP-016-MD-DE
Approved By:	Medical Management; Clinical Pharmacy
Provider Notice Date:	01/15/2018; 08/01/2017
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### **POLICY SUMMARY**

Highmark Health Options provides coverage under the medical benefits of the Company’s Medicaid products for medically necessary Granulocyte Colony Stimulating Factor (G-CSF) such as Neupogen, Granix.

This policy is designed to address medical necessity guidelines that are appropriate for the majority of individuals with a particular disease, illness or condition. Each person’s unique clinical circumstances warrant individual consideration, based upon review of applicable medical records.

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## Interleukin-5 Inhibitors

CLINICAL MEDICATION POLICY	
<b>Policy Name:</b>	Interleukin-5 Inhibitors
<b>Policy Number:</b>	MP-025-MD-DE
<b>Responsible Department(s):</b>	Medical Management; Clinical Pharmacy
<b>Provider Notice Date:</b>	01/15/2018; 01/01/2017
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### **POLICY SUMMARY**

Highmark Health Options provides coverage under the medical benefits of the Company’s Medicaid products for medically necessary intravenous administration of Interleukin-5 Inhibitors.

This policy is designed to address medical necessity guidelines that are appropriate for the majority of individuals with a particular disease, illness or condition. Each person’s unique clinical circumstances warrant individual consideration, based upon review of applicable medical records.

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## Keytruda (pembrolizumab)

CLINICAL MEDICATION POLICY	
<b>Policy Name:</b>	Keytruda (pembrolizumab)
Policy Number:	MP-014-MD-DE
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### **POLICY SUMMARY**

Highmark Health Options provides coverage under the medical benefits of the Company’s Medicaid products for medically necessary Keytruda (Pembrolizumab) administration.

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## Opdivo (nivolumab)

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<b>Policy Name:</b>	Opdivo (nivolumab)
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### POLICY SUMMARY

Highmark Health Options provides coverage under the medical surgical and specialty pharmacy benefits of the Company’s Medicaid products for medically necessary Opdivo (nivolumab) intravenous administration.

This policy is designed to address medical necessity guidelines that are appropriate for the majority of individuals with a particular disease, illness or condition. Each person’s unique clinical circumstances warrant individual consideration, based upon review of applicable medical records.

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## Remicade® (Infliximab)

CLINICAL MEDICATION POLICY	
<b>Policy Name:</b>	Remicade® (Infliximab)
<b>Policy Number:</b>	MP-026-MD-DE
<b>Responsible Department(s):</b>	Medical Management; Clinical Pharmacy
<b>Provider Notice Date:</b>	01/15/2018; 11/01/2016
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### POLICY SUMMARY

Highmark Health Options provides coverage for Remicade under the medical benefits for medically necessary therapy with Remicade. Covered conditions include: Adult and Pediatric Crohn’s disease, Ulcerative Colitis, both adult and pediatric, Rheumatoid Arthritis, Ankylosing Spondylitis, Psoriatic Arthritis, and Plaque Psoriasis.

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## Soliris® (eculizumab)

CLINICAL MEDICATION POLICY	
<b>Policy Name:</b>	Soliris® (eculizumab)
<b>Policy Number:</b>	MP-019-MD-DE
<b>Responsible Department(s):</b>	Medical Management; Clinical Pharmacy
<b>Provider Notice Date:</b>	01/15/2018; 11/01/2016
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### POLICY SUMMARY

Highmark Health Options provides coverage for Soliris under the medical benefit for its Medicaid products. Covered indications for Soliris are: paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria (PNH) and atypical uremic syndrome (aHUS).

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## Yervoy (Ipilimumab)

CLINICAL MEDICATION POLICY	
Policy Name:	Yervoy (Ipilimumab)
Policy Number:	MP-008-MD-DE
Approved By:	Medical Management; Clinical Pharmacy
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### **POLICY SUMMARY**

Highmark Health Options provides coverage under the medical surgical and specialty pharmacy benefits of the Company’s Medicaid and Medicare products for medically necessary administration of Yervoy (ipilimumab).

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