Clinical Policy: Vorapaxar (Zontivity)
Reference Number: HIM.PA.146
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Line of Business: HIM

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

Description
Vorapaxar (Zontivity®) is a protease-activated receptor-1 antagonist.

FDA Approved Indication(s)
Zontivity is indicated for the reduction of thrombotic cardiovascular events in patients with a history of myocardial infarction (MI) or with peripheral arterial disease (PAD). Zontivity has been shown to reduce the rate of a combined endpoint of cardiovascular death, MI, stroke, and urgent coronary revascularization.

Policy/Criteria
Provider must submit documentation (including 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 Zontivity is medically necessary when the following criteria are met:

I. Initial Approval Criteria
   A. Cardiovascular Event Prophylaxis (must meet all):
      1. History of MI and/or diagnosis of PAD;
      2. Prescribed by or in consultation with a cardiologist;
      3. Used in combination with aspirin and/or clopidogrel;
      4. Dose does not exceed 2.08 mg (1 tablet) per day.
      Approval duration: 12 months
   
   B. Other diagnoses/indications
      1. Refer to the off-label use policy for the relevant line of business if diagnosis is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized): HIM.PA.154 for health insurance marketplace.

II. Continued Therapy
   A. Cardiovascular Event Prophylaxis (must meet all):
      1. Currently receiving medication via Centene benefit or member has previously met initial approval criteria;
      2. Member is responding positively to therapy;
      3. If request is for a dose increase, new dose does not exceed 2.08 mg (1 tablet) per day.
      Approval duration: 12 months
B. Other diagnoses/indications (must meet 1 or 2):
   1. Currently receiving medication via health plan benefit and documentation supports positive response to therapy.  
      **Approval duration: Duration of request or 12 months (whichever is less); or**
   2. Refer to the off-label use policy for the relevant line of business if diagnosis is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized): HIM.PA.154 for health insurance marketplace.

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 policies – HIM.PA.154 for health insurance marketplace or evidence of coverage documents.

IV. Appendices/General Information
   
   **Appendix A: Abbreviation/Acronym Key**
   
   FDA: Food and Drug Administration  
   MI: myocardial infarction  
   PAD: peripheral arterial disease

   
   **Appendix B: Therapeutic Alternatives**
   This table provides a listing of preferred alternative therapy recommended in the approval criteria. The drugs listed here may not be a formulary agent for all relevant lines of business and may require prior authorization.

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<td>clopidogrel (Plavix®)</td>
<td>75 mg PO QD</td>
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<td>aspirin</td>
<td>75 to 100 mg PO QD</td>
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   **Appendix C: Contraindications/Boxed Warnings**
   - Contraindication(s):
     - History of stroke, transient ischemic attack, or intracranial hemorrhage
     - Active pathologic bleeding
   - Boxed warning(s): bleeding risk; do not use Zontivity in patients with history of stroke, TIA, or intracranial hemorrhage or active pathological bleeding.

V. Dosage and Administration

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VI. Product Availability

   Tablet: 2.08 mg

VII. References

Reviews, Revisions, and Approvals

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