

PROVIDER NOTIFICATION OF POLICY CRITERIA CHANGE					
POLICY TITLE	POLICY NUMBER	CRITERIA CHANGE	MATERIAL AMEDEMMENT	EFFECTIVE DATE	LINK TO FULL POLICY
Lisocabtagene maraleucel (e.g., Breyanzi)	2024042	<p>Coverage criteria updated.</p> <p>Updated criteria for FDA labeled indication, large B-cell lymphoma and added criteria for FDA labeled indication, marginal zone lymphoma.</p> <p><b><u>LARGE B-CELL LYMPHOMA:</u></b></p> <p><b>STANDARD REVIEW:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Individual is 18 years of age or older at the time of infusion; <b>AND</b></li> <li>2. Individual has a histologically confirmed diagnosis of relapsed or refractory, aggressive, diffuse large B-cell lymphoma not otherwise specified (including diffuse large B-cell lymphoma arising from indolent lymphoma); high-grade B-cell lymphoma or primary mediastinal large B-cell lymphoma or follicular lymphoma grade 3B; <b>AND</b></li> <li>3. Individual has treatment resistant disease defined as follows: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Disease refractory to first-line chemoimmunotherapy or relapse within 12 months of first-line chemoimmunotherapy including an Anti-CD20 monoclonal body (for example, rituximab) (Breyanzi, 2025); <b>OR</b></li> <li>b. Disease refractory to or relapsed after first-line chemoimmunotherapy including an Anti-CD20 monoclonal body (for example, rituximab) and individual is not eligible for hematopoietic stem cell transplantation due to comorbidities or age (Breyanzi, 2025); <b>OR</b></li> <li>c. Relapsed or refractory disease after two or more lines of systemic therapy including an Anti-CD20 monoclonal body (for example, rituximab) (Breyanzi, 2025); <b>AND</b></li> </ol> </li> </ol>	No	2/26/2026	<a href="https://secure.arkansasbluecross.com/members/report.aspx?policyNumber=2024042">https://secure.arkansasbluecross.com/members/report.aspx?policyNumber=2024042</a>

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		6. Individual does not have primary central nervous system lymphoma; <b>AND</b> 7. There is only one administration of lisocabtagene maraleucel per individual per lifetime.			
Denileukin diftitox (e.g., Lymphir)	2025038	New policy developed for the treatment of adult individuals with relapsed or refractory Stage I-III cutaneous T-cell lymphoma (CTCL) after at least one prior systemic therapy with effective date of 2/26/2026.	No	2/26/2026	<a href="https://secure.arkansasbluecross.com/members/report.aspx?policyNumber=2025038">https://secure.arkansasbluecross.com/members/report.aspx?policyNumber=2025038</a>
Anti-tissue factor pathway inhibitors Marstacimab-hncq (e.g., Hymravzi) and Concizumab-mtci (e.g., Alhemo)	2025040	New policy developed for the treatment of adults and adolescents with Hemophilia A or B without inhibitors with effective date of 2/26/2026.	No	2/26/2026	<a href="https://secure.arkansasbluecross.com/members/report.aspx?policyNumber=2025040">https://secure.arkansasbluecross.com/members/report.aspx?policyNumber=2025040</a>
Telisotuzumab vedotin-tllv (e.g., Emrelis)	2025039	New policy developed for the treatment of Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer with high c-Met Protein overexpression with effective date of 2/26/2026.	No	2/26/2026	<a href="https://secure.arkansasbluecross.com/members/report.aspx?policyNumber=2025039">https://secure.arkansasbluecross.com/members/report.aspx?policyNumber=2025039</a>
New-To-Market Medical Benefit Medication	2024079	<p>New-To-Market Medical Benefit Drug List updated. Removed denileukin diftitox, Marstacimab-hncq, Concizumab-mtci, and Telisotuzumab vedotin-tllv.</p> <p><b>Medication Name</b></p> <p>Aflibercept (e.g., Eydenzelt) Injection</p> <p>Apomorphine (e.g., Onapgo) infusion device</p> <p>Denosumab-qbde (e.g., Enoby) injection</p> <p>Fitusiran (e.g., Qfitlia) injection</p> <p>Gemcitabine (e.g., Inlexzo) intravesical system</p> <p>Onasemnogene abeparvovec (e.g., Itivisma) intrathecal injection</p> <p>Penpulimab-kcqx injection</p> <p>Pertuzumab-dpzb (e.g., Poherdy) injection</p>	No	2/26/2026	<a href="https://secure.arkansasbluecross.com/members/report.aspx?policyNumber=2024079">https://secure.arkansasbluecross.com/members/report.aspx?policyNumber=2024079</a>

		Ustekinumab-hmny (e.g., Starjemza) injection Zopapogene imadenovec-drba (e.g., Papzimeos) injection			
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