

Clinical Policy: Cipaglusosidase Alfa-atga + Miglustat (Pombiliti + Opfolda)

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****Please note: This policy is for medical benefit****

Description

Cipaglusosidase alfa-atga + miglustat (Pombiliti™ + Opfolda™) is a combination therapy of hydrolytic lysosomal glycogen-specific recombinant human α -glucosidase (rhGAA) enzyme (cipaglusosidase alfa-atga) with an enzyme stabilizer (miglustat).

FDA Approved Indication(s)

Pombiliti is indicated for use in combination with Opfolda for the treatment of adult patients with late-onset Pompe disease (lysosomal acid alpha-glucosidase [GAA] deficiency) weighing \geq 40 kg and who are not improving on their current enzyme replacement therapy (ERT).

Opfolda is indicated for use in combination with Pombiliti for the treatment of adult patients with late-onset Pompe disease (lysosomal GAA deficiency) weighing \geq 40 kg and who are not improving on their current ERT.

Policy/Criteria

Provider must submit documentation (such as office chart notes, lab results or other clinical information) supporting that member has met all approval criteria.

It is the policy of Louisiana Healthcare Connections that Pombiliti + Opfolda are **medically necessary** when the following criteria are met:

I. Initial Approval Criteria

A. Pompe Disease (must meet all):

1. Diagnosis of late-onset Pompe disease confirmed by one of the following (a, b, or c):
 - a. Enzyme assay confirming low GAA activity;
 - b. DNA testing;
 - c. Increased lysosomal glycogen;
2. Age \geq 18 years;
3. Member weighs \geq 40 kg;
4. Pombiliti and Opfolda are prescribed together;
5. Pombiliti and Opfolda are not prescribed concurrently with Lumizyme® or Nexviazyme®;
6. Dose does not exceed any of the following (a or b):

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- a. Members weighing ≥ 50 kg: Pombiliti 20 mg/kg + Opfolda 260 mg (or 4 capsules) every other week;
- b. Members weighing ≥ 40 kg to < 50 kg: Pombiliti 20 mg/kg + Opfolda 195 mg (or 3 capsules) every other week.

Approval duration: ~~6~~12 months
6 months

B. Niemann-Pick Disease Type C (off-label) (must meet all):

1. Diagnosis of NPC confirmed by one of the following (a or b):
 - a. Genetic analysis indicating mutation in both alleles of *NPC1* or *NPC2*;
 - b. Genetic analysis indicating mutation in one allele of *NPC1* or *NPC2* along with one of the following (i or ii):
 - i. Positive filipin staining test result;
 - ii. Positive biomarker result (e.g., oxysterol, lyso-sphingolipid, bile acid);
2. Request is for Opfolda without Pombiliti;
3. Prescribed by or in consultation with a geneticist, neurologist, endocrinologist, or metabolic disease specialist;
4. Member presents with at least one neurological sign or symptom of the disease (*see Appendix D*);
5. Dose does not exceed 585 mg (9 capsules) per day.

Approval duration: ~~6~~12 months

C. Other diagnoses/indications (must meet 1 or 2):

1. ~~+~~a. If this drug has recently (within the last 6 months) undergone a label change (e.g., newly approved indication, age expansion, new dosing regimen) that is not yet reflected in this policy, refer to LA.PMN.255
2. If the requested use (e.g., diagnosis, age, dosing regimen) is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized) AND criterion 1 above does not apply, refer to the off-label use policy LA.PMN.53.

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II. Continued Therapy

A. Pompe Disease (must meet all):

1. ~~Member is currently~~Currently receiving medication via Louisiana Healthcare Connections benefit or member has previously met initial approval criteria;
2. Member is responding positively to therapy as evidenced by improvement in the individual member's Pompe disease manifestation profile (*see Appendix D for examples*);
3. Pombiliti and Opfolda are prescribed together;
4. Pombiliti and Opfolda are not prescribed concurrently with Lumizyme[®] or Nexviazyme[®];
5. If request is for a dose increase, new dose does not exceed any of the following (a or b):
 - a. Members weighing ≥ 50 kg: Pombiliti 20 mg/kg + Opfolda 260 mg (or 4 capsules) every other week;
 - b. Members weighing ≥ 40 kg to < 50 kg: Pombiliti 20 mg/kg + Opfolda 195 mg (or 3 capsules) every other week.

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hypotonia, muscle weakness, respiratory distress (eventually requiring assisted ventilation), and skeletal muscle dysfunction.

- While there is not one generally applicable set of clinical criteria that can be used to determine appropriateness of continued therapy for Pompe disease, clinical parameters that can indicate therapeutic response to Pombiliti + Opfolda include improved or maintained forced vital capacity, and improved or maintained 6-minute walk test (6MWT) distance.
- Examples of neurological signs or symptoms of NPC include hearing loss, vertical supranuclear gaze palsy, dysarthria, ataxia, dystonia, impaired ambulation, dysarthria, dysphagia, seizures, dementia.

**Although infantile-onset disease typically presents in the first year of life, age of onset alone does not necessarily distinguish between infantile- and late-onset disease since juvenile-onset disease can present prior to 12 months of age.*

V. Dosage and Administration

Indication	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose
Pompe disease	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Members weighing ≥ 50 kg: Pombiliti 20 mg/kg IV + Opfolda 260 mg (or 4 capsules) PO every other week• Members weighing ≥ 40 kg to < 50 kg: Pombiliti 20 mg/kg IV + Opfolda 195 mg (or 3 capsules) PO every other week	Pombiliti 20 mg/kg and Opfolda 260 mg every other week

VI. Product Availability

Drug Name	Availability
cipaglucoSidase alfa-atga (Pombiliti)	Vial with lyophilized powder for reconstitution: 105 mg
miglustat (Opfolda)	Oral capsule: 65 mg

VII. References

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Coding Implications

Codes referenced in this clinical policy are for informational purposes only. Inclusion or exclusion of any codes does not guarantee coverage. Providers should reference the most up-to-date sources of professional coding guidance prior to the submission of claims for reimbursement of covered services.

HCPCS Codes	Description
G0138	Intravenous infusion of cipaglucoSidase alfa-atga, including provider/supplier acquisition and clinical supervision of oral administration of miglustat in preparation of receipt of cipaglucoSidase alfa-atga
J1202	Miglustat, oral, 65 mg
J1203	Injection, cipaglucoSidase alfa-atga, 5 mg

Reviews, Revisions, and Approvals	Date	LDH Approval Date
Converted corporate to local policy.	03.28.24	07.10.24
Annual review: added criteria for off-label use of Opfolda for NPC to align with coverage guidelines in the Zavesca (miglustat) and Miplyffa criteria; added increased lysosomal glycogen as an additional option for confirming a Pompe disease diagnosis; references reviewed and updated.	03.03.25	05.19.25
Annual review: no significant changes; updated initial auth duration from 6 months to 12 months; references reviewed and updated.	03.03.26	

Important Reminder

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