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**Office of Pharmacy Services
Prior Authorization Criteria
Veozah® (fezolinetant)
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[Prior Authorization Request Form](#)**

VEOZAH is a neurokinin 3 (NK3) receptor antagonist indicated for the treatment of moderate to severe vasomotor symptoms due to menopause.

CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL:

1. The patient has a diagnosis of menopause with moderate to severe vasomotor symptoms; **AND**
2. Patient is within the age range as recommended by the FDA label; **AND**
3. Documentation detailing the frequency and severity of the vasomotor symptoms must be provided; **AND**
4. The patient has had a 30-day trial of ONE hormone replacement therapy (HRT) agent (unless contraindicated) **AND** has had a 30-day trial of ONE non-hormonal therapy (such as an SSRI, SNRI, gabapentin, pregabalin or clonidine) which failed to provide sufficient relief **OR** TWO 30-day trials of non-hormonal therapies (**ONLY** if a hormonal therapy cannot be tolerated) which failed to provide sufficient relief; **AND**
5. Patient must have baseline liver function tests prior to initiating therapy* and every month for the first three months after patients start treatment, and then at months 6 and 9 of treatment; **AND**
6. Patient does not have severe renal impairment or end-stage renal disease.

Initial approvals may be authorized for 90 days. Further approvals may be granted for 1 year after all the continuation of therapy criteria has been met.

****Do not start VEOZAH if concentration of ALT or AST is equal to or exceeds two times the ULN***



CONTINUATION OF THERAPY CRITERIA:

- 1) Patient continues to meet all initial approval criteria; **AND**
- 2) Demonstrate continued documented compliance; **AND**
- 3) Documentation of positive clinical response to therapy must be provided (such as decrease in frequency of symptoms and/or improvement in severity of vasomotor symptoms); **AND**
- 4) Patient has not experienced any treatment-restricting adverse effects (e.g., ALT or AST > 3 times the ULN).

