



# Criteria

Review Area: SPECIALTY DRUGS

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<b>Specific Item/Procedure/Service: LUTATHERA</b>
<p><b>Approved Criteria Set:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> InterQual</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LMP</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> LMP as an internal IQ edit</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> BMS Criteria (based on Policy Manual)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> BMS Approved Criteria</li> </ul>
<b>Local Medical Policy: Developed Criteria Specific</b>
<b>Applicable HCPCS/CPT Codes: A9513 Injection Lutetium Lu 177, dotatate, therapeutic, 1 mCi (Lutathera)</b>
<b>Applicable ICD10 Codes: ( if diagnosis specific restricted)</b>
<b>Background/Overview with Rationale: Lutathera (lutetium Lu 177 dotatate) is used for the treatment of somatostatin receptor-positive gastroenteropancreatic neuroendocrine tumors (GEP-NETS), including foregut, midgut, and hindgut neuroendocrine tumors in adults.</b>
<b>Criteria:</b>
<p><b>Initial Evaluation</b></p> <p>Lutathera will be approved when ALL of the following are met:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. ONE of the following:       <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. The patient has a diagnosis of somatostatin-positive, gastroenteropancreatic neuroendocrine tumor (GEP-NETS) AND ALL of the following:           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The patient has locally advanced, inoperable, or metastatic carcinoid tumor; <b>AND</b></li> <li>• Appropriate imaging study has been performed to document over-expression of somatostatin receptor of gastroenteropancreatic neuroendocrine tumor(s) (GEP-NET) (i.e. somatostatin receptor scintigraphy; or 68-Ga-Dotate PET/CT scan); <b>AND</b></li> <li>• The tumor is well differentiated with a Ki-67 index of 20% or less as documented in a pathology report (see Policy Guidelines below*); <b>AND</b></li> </ul> </li> </ol> </li> </ol>

- The patient has received long-acting somatostatin analog (SSA therapy for a duration of at least 12 weeks with disease progression noted during treatment; **AND**
- Will discontinue long-acting somatostatin analog (e.g. octreotide LAR) for at least 4 weeks prior to initiating the requested agent, **OR**

B. The patient has another FDA approved indication for the requested agent, **AND**

2. The prescriber is a specialist (e.g., oncologist) or the prescriber has consulted with a specialist, **AND**
3. The patient does NOT have any FDA labeled contraindications to the requested agent, **AND**
4. The requested dose is within FDA labeled dosing for the requested indication, **AND**
5. The patient has adequate bone marrow, renal and hepatic function (the following would be contraindications: serum creatinine 1.7 mg per deciliter or creatinine clearance of 50 ml/minute; Hgb 8.0 g/dl; WBC < 2000/mm<sup>3</sup>; platelets < 75,000 mm<sup>3</sup>; total bilirubin > 3 x upper limit of normal); **AND**
6. Patient is 18 years or older; **AND**
7. The patient has NOT exceeded 4 treatment doses in lifetime.

\* Well-differentiated neuroendocrine tumors include low grade (G1) and intermediate-grade (G2) tumors, which correlate with a defined Ki-67 proliferation index, as determined by an immunohistochemical stain. Well-differentiated, low grade neuroendocrine tumors have a Ki-67 index of < 3%, and well-differentiated, intermediate grade neuroendocrine tumors have Ki-67 index of 3-20%.

**Length of Approval:** GEP-NETs – 12 months for maximum 4 doses per lifetime; All other FDA approved diagnosis – 12 months.

#### **Renewal Evaluation**

Lutathera will be approved when ALL of the following are met:

1. The patient has been previously approved for the requested agent through the Medical Drug Review process, **AND**
2. Treatment-related toxicities (e.g., anemia, hepatotoxicity, neutropenia, renal toxicity, thrombocytopenia) are resolved prior to re-starting the requested agent.
3. The patient has NOT exceeded 4 treatment doses in lifetime.

**Length of Approval: GEP-NETs** – 12 months for maximum 4 doses per lifetime; All other FDA approved diagnosis – 12 months.

The requested agent will also be approved when the following are met:

1. The patient has been previously approved, **AND**

2. Treatment-related toxicities (e.g., anemia, hepatotoxicity, neutropenia, renal toxicity, thrombocytopenia) are resolved prior to re-starting the requested agent

**Length of Approval:** 12 months

*Please refer to the member's contract benefits in effect at the time of service to determine coverage or non-coverage of these services as it applies to an individual member according to BMS coverage and policy guidelines.*

**References:** <https://lutathera.com/> Accessed 10/30/2018

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<https://www.drugs.com/newdrugs/fda-approves-lutathera-lutetium-lu-177-dotatate-gastroenteropancreatic-neuroendocrine-tumors-4686.html> Accessed 10/30/2018

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