

CLINICIAN CHECKLIST FOR ORAL ANTICANCER DRUGS

Policy References:

- [Local Coverage Determination \(LCD\) \(L33826\)](#)
- [Policy Article \(A52479\)](#)

Documentation References:

- [Standard Documentation Requirements Policy Article \(A55426\)](#)

The treating clinician must complete the following items:

[Standard Written Order \(SWO\)](#)

Medical records as noted below

Medical Documentation

Oral anticancer drugs are covered when all of the following conditions are met:

The beneficiary has an ICD-10 diagnoses listed in the Policy Article, and

The drug is listed in the LCD, and

The drug or biological is approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), and

The drug has the same active ingredients as a non-self-administrable anticancer chemotherapeutic drug or biological that is covered when furnished incident to a practitioner's service. The oral anticancer drug and the non-self-administrable drug must have the same chemical/generic name as indicated by the FDA's Approved Drug Products (Orange Book), Physician's Desk Reference (PDR), or an authoritative drug compendium, or it is a prodrug which, when ingested, is metabolized into the same active ingredient which is found in the non-self-administrable form of the drug, and

It is used for the same anticancer chemotherapeutic indications, including unlabeled or "off label" uses, as the non-self-administrable form of the drug, and

It is prescribed by a practitioner licensed under state law to prescribe such drugs as anticancer chemotherapeutic agents.

Oral antiemetic drugs are covered when all of the following conditions are met:

The antiemetic drug is used in conjunction with a covered oral anticancer drug, and

The drug has been approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for use as an antiemetic, and

The drug has been ordered by the treating practitioner as part of a cancer chemotherapy regimen, and

The drug is used as a full therapeutic replacement for an intravenous antiemetic drug that would otherwise have been administered at the time of the chemotherapy treatment, and

Oral anti-emetic drugs administered with chemotherapy treatment are initiated within two hours of the administration of the chemotherapeutic agent not to exceed 48 hours from that time.