

# Sarclisa® (isatuximab-irfc) (Intravenous)

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## I. Length of Authorization <sup>5,7</sup>

- Initial: Prior authorization validity will be provided initially for 6 months (180 days), unless otherwise specified.
  - Primary therapy in Multiple Myeloma for transplant candidates in combination with bortezomib, lenalidomide, dexamethasone: Prior authorization validity will be provided for up to a maximum of 18 weeks of therapy (11 doses).
- Renewal: Prior authorization validity may be renewed every 6 months (180 days) thereafter, unless otherwise specified.
  - Primary therapy in Multiple Myeloma for transplant candidates in combination with bortezomib, lenalidomide, dexamethasone: Prior authorization validity may NOT be renewed.
  - Primary therapy in Multiple Myeloma for transplant candidates in combination with carfilzomib, lenalidomide, dexamethasone: Prior authorization validity may be renewed for up to a maximum of 48 weeks of therapy (26 doses).
  - Maintenance therapy in Multiple Myeloma for transplant candidates in combination with lenalidomide and carfilzomib: Prior authorization validity may be renewed for up to a maximum of 104 weeks of therapy (52 doses).

## II. Dosing Limits

### Max Units (per dose and over time) [HCPCS Unit]:

- 120 billable units weekly x 5 doses, then 720 billable units every 84 days

## III. Initial Approval Criteria <sup>1</sup>

Prior authorization validity is provided in the following conditions:

- Member is at least 18 years of age; **AND**

### Universal Criteria

- Therapy will not be used in combination with other anti-CD38 therapies; **AND**

### Multiple Myeloma\* † ‡ Φ <sup>1-9</sup>

- Used as primary therapy for symptomatic disease; **AND**

- Used in combination with bortezomib, lenalidomide, and dexamethasone; **OR**
- Used in combination with lenalidomide and dexamethasone for non-transplant candidates or if transplant is deferred; **OR**
- Used in combination with carfilzomib, lenalidomide, and dexamethasone followed by maintenance therapy in combination with carfilzomib and lenalidomide (*transplant candidates ONLY*); **OR**
- Used for previously treated multiple myeloma for relapsed, refractory, or progressive disease; **AND**
  - Used in combination with pomalidomide and dexamethasone after at least two prior therapies including lenalidomide and a proteasome inhibitor (e.g., bortezomib, carfilzomib, ixazomib, etc.); **OR**
  - Used in combination with carfilzomib and dexamethasone

*\*The regimens listed for treatment of Multiple Myeloma may also be used for the treatment of Polyneuropathy, Organomegaly, Endocrinopathy, Monoclonal protein, Skin changes (POEMS), Monoclonal Immunoglobulin Deposition Disease (MIDD), and plasma cell-related Monoclonal Gammopathy of Renal Significance (MGRS)*

† FDA Approved Indication(s); ‡ Compendia Recommended Indication(s); Ⓞ Orphan Drug

#### IV. Renewal Criteria <sup>1,5</sup>

Prior authorization validity may be renewed based upon the following criteria:

- Member continues to meet the indication-specific relevant criteria such as concomitant therapy requirements (not including prerequisite therapy), performance status, etc. identified in section III; **AND**
- Duration of authorization has not been exceeded (*refer to Section I*); **AND**
- Disease response with treatment as defined by stabilization of disease or decrease in size of tumor or tumor spread; **AND**
- Absence of unacceptable toxicity from the drug. Examples of unacceptable toxicity include: severe infusion-related reactions, severe infections, neutropenia, secondary primary malignancies, etc.

#### V. Dosage/Administration <sup>1,5,7-9</sup>

Indication	Dose
Multiple Myeloma	<b><u>Combination therapy with bortezomib, lenalidomide, and dexamethasone:</u></b>
	<b>Transplant Candidates</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Administer 10 mg/kg of actual body weight given as an intravenous infusion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Weekly                      Cycle 1 (five doses total; Days 1, 8, 15, 22, &amp; 29)</li> <li>– Every two weeks        Cycle 2 and 3 (three doses per cycle; Days 1, 15, &amp; 29)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><i>*Each treatment cycle consists of a 42-day period.</i></p>

<p><b>Non-Transplant Candidates</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Administer 10 mg/kg of actual body weight given as an intravenous infusion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Weekly                      Cycle 1 (five doses total; Days 1, 8, 15, 22, &amp; 29)</li> <li>– Every two weeks        Cycle 2 to 4 (three doses per cycle; Days 1, 15, &amp; 29)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><i>*Treatment cycles 1 to 4 consist of a 42-day period.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Every two weeks        Cycle 5 to 17 (two doses per cycle; Days 1 &amp; 15)</li> <li>– Every four weeks        Cycle 18 and beyond (one dose per cycle; Day 1)</li> </ul> <p><i>*Treatment cycle 5 and beyond consists of a 28-day period. Treat until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity.</i></p> <p><b><u>Combination therapy with carfilzomib, lenalidomide, and dexamethasone:</u></b></p> <p><b>Transplant Candidates</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Administer 10 mg/kg of actual body weight given as an intravenous infusion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <i>Induction (in combination with carfilzomib, lenalidomide, and dexamethasone) for up to 8 cycles:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Weekly                      Cycle 1 (four doses total; Days 1, 8, 15, &amp; 22)</li> <li>– Every two weeks        Cycle 2 to 8 (two doses per cycle; Days 1 &amp; 15)</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ <i>Consolidation (in combination with carfilzomib, lenalidomide, and dexamethasone):</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Every two weeks        Cycle 9 to 12 (two doses per cycle; Days 1 &amp; 15)</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ <i>Maintenance (in combination with carfilzomib and lenalidomide):</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Every two weeks for 26 cycles until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity (two doses per cycle; Days 1 &amp; 15)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><i>*Each treatment cycle consists of a 28-day period.</i></p> <p><b><u>Combination therapy with lenalidomide and dexamethasone:</u></b></p> <p><b>Non-Transplant Candidates</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Administer 10 mg/kg of actual body weight given as an intravenous infusion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Weekly                      Cycle 1 (four doses total; Days 1, 8, 15, &amp; 22)</li> <li>– Every two weeks        Cycle 2 to 12 (two doses per cycle; Days 1 &amp; 15)</li> <li>– Every four weeks        Cycle 13 and beyond (1 dose per cycle; Day 1)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><i>*Each treatment cycle consists of a 28-day period. Treatment is repeated until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity.</i></p> <p><b><u>Combination therapy with pomalidomide and dexamethasone OR carfilzomib and dexamethasone:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Administer 10 mg/kg of actual body weight given as an intravenous infusion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Weekly                      Cycle 1 (four doses total; Days 1, 8, 15, &amp; 22)</li> <li>– Every two weeks        Cycle 2 and beyond (two doses per cycle; Days 1 &amp; 15)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><i>*Each treatment cycle consists of a 28-day period. Treatment is repeated until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity.</i></p>
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## VI. Billing Code/Availability Information

### HCPCS Code:

- J9227 – Injection, isatuximab-irfc, 10 mg; 1 billable unit = 10 mg

## NDC(s):

- Sarclisa 100 mg/5 mL single-dose vial: 00024-0654-xx
- Sarclisa 500 mg/25 mL single-dose vial: 00024-0656-xx

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## Appendix A – Non-Quantitative Treatment Limitations (NQL) Factor Checklist

Non-quantitative treatment limitations (NQLs) refer to the methods, guidelines, standards of evidence, or other conditions that can restrict how long or to what extent benefits are provided under a health plan. These may include things like utilization review or prior authorization. The utilization management NQL applies comparably, and not more stringently, to mental health/substance use disorder (MH/SUD) Medical Benefit Prescription Drugs and medical/surgical (M/S) Medical Benefit Prescription Drugs. The table below lists the factors that were considered in designing and applying prior authorization to this drug/drug group, and a summary of the conclusions that Prime’s assessment led to for each.

Factor	Conclusion
Indication	Yes: Consider for PA
Safety and efficacy	No: PA not a priority
Potential for misuse/abuse	No: PA not a priority
Cost of drug	Yes: Consider for PA

## Appendix 1 – Covered Diagnosis Codes

ICD-10	ICD-10 Description
C90.00	Multiple myeloma not having achieved remission
C90.02	Multiple myeloma, in relapse
C90.10	Plasma cell leukemia not having achieved remission
C90.12	Plasma cell leukemia in relapse
C90.20	Extramedullary plasmacytoma not having achieved remission
C90.22	Extramedullary plasmacytoma in relapse
C90.30	Solitary plasmacytoma not having achieved remission
C90.32	Solitary plasmacytoma in relapse
Z85.79	Personal history of other malignant neoplasms of lymphoid, hematopoietic and related tissues

## Appendix 2 – Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)

The preceding information is intended for non-Medicare coverage determinations. Medicare coverage for outpatient (Part B) drugs is outlined in the Medicare Benefit Policy Manual (Pub. 100-2), Chapter 15, §50 Drugs and Biologicals. In addition, National Coverage Determinations (NCDs) and/or Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs) may exist and compliance with these policies is required where applicable. Local Coverage Articles (LCAs) may also exist for claims payment purposes or to clarify benefit eligibility under Part B for drugs which may be self-administered. The following link may be used to search for NCD, LCD, or LCA documents:

<https://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/search.aspx>. Additional indications, including any preceding information, may be applied at the discretion of the health plan.

Medicare Part B Covered Diagnosis Codes (applicable to existing NCD/LCD/LCA): N/A

Medicare Part B Administrative Contractor (MAC) Jurisdictions		
Jurisdiction	Applicable State/US Territory	Contractor
E (1)	CA, HI, NV, AS, GU, CNMI	Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC
F (2 & 3)	AK, WA, OR, ID, ND, SD, MT, WY, UT, AZ	Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC
5	KS, NE, IA, MO	Wisconsin Physicians Service Insurance Corp (WPS)
6	MN, WI, IL	National Government Services, Inc. (NGS)
H (4 & 7)	LA, AR, MS, TX, OK, CO, NM	Novitas Solutions, Inc.
8	MI, IN	Wisconsin Physicians Service Insurance Corp (WPS)
N (9)	FL, PR, VI	First Coast Service Options, Inc.
J (10)	TN, GA, AL	Palmetto GBA
M (11)	NC, SC, WV, VA (excluding below)	Palmetto GBA
L (12)	DE, MD, PA, NJ, DC (includes Arlington & Fairfax counties and the city of Alexandria in VA)	Novitas Solutions, Inc.
K (13 & 14)	NY, CT, MA, RI, VT, ME, NH	National Government Services, Inc. (NGS)
15	KY, OH	CGS Administrators, LLC