

**Pharmacy Policy**

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**Hepatitis C**

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<p>Product Applicability <input type="checkbox"/> All Plan+ Products</p>	
<p><b>Well Sense Health Plan</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> New Hampshire Medicaid</p>	<p><b>Boston Medical Center HealthNet Plan</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> MassHealth - MCO</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> MassHealth - ACO</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Qualified Health Plans/ConnectorCare/Employer Choice Direct</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Senior Care Options</p>

Note: Disclaimer and audit information is located at the end of this document.

**Prior Authorization Policy**

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**Products Affected:**

- Sofosbuvir/velpatasvir
- Vosevi
- Sofosbuvir/ledipasvir
- Mavyret

The Plan may authorize coverage of the above products for members meeting the following criteria:

<b>Covered Use</b>	All FDA approved indications not otherwise excluded
<b>Exclusion Criteria</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Member is pregnant</li> <li>• Any regimen combination or monotherapy not addressed with specific approval criteria in the policy.</li> <li>• Newly approved regimens for hepatitis C that do not meet required clinical justification as to why none of the preferred and non-preferred regimens in this policy are appropriate for the member.</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vosevi will not be authorized for any initial requests (treatment naïve).</li> </ul>
<b>Required Medical Information</b>	<p>Documentation of all of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Diagnosis of Hepatitis C with confirmation of genotype</li> <li>2. Quantitative HCV RNA (viral load) confirmed by HCV RNA level taken within 6 months prior to initiation of treatment</li> <li>3. Patient’s cirrhosis status</li> <li>4. Prior treatment history and response to prior treatment (if applicable)</li> <li>5. Planned duration of therapy with the requested medication</li> <li>6. Documentation the prescriber has assessed the Member for substance use disorder and, if present, the Member is receiving appropriate counseling services or treatment for substance use disorder as an adjunct to HCV treatment</li> <li>7. Documented attestation from the prescriber that the Member has been assessed for potential non-adherence</li> <li>8. If request is for Ledipasvir/Sofosbuvir (generic Harvoni) for 12 weeks, clinical rationale why member cannot use Mavyret for 8 weeks or Sofosbuvir/Velpatasvir for 12 weeks</li> <li>9. If request is for VOSEVI, documentation of the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Member is without decompensated cirrhosis</li> <li>b. Clinical rationale why Member cannot use Mavyret, Sofosbuvir/Velpatasvir, or Ledipasvir/Sofosbuvir</li> </ol> </li> </ol>
<b>Age Restriction</b>	<p>Sofosbuvir/Velpatasvir (Epclusa): 6 years or older  Vosevi, Zepatier: Member is at least 18 years of age  Ledipasvir/Sofosbuvir (Harvoni): Member is at least 3 years of age  Mavyret: Member is at least 12 years of age</p>
<b>Prescriber Restriction</b>	<p>Prescribed by or in consultation with a gastroenterologist, hepatologist, or infectious disease specialist</p>
<b>Coverage Duration</b>	<p>Duration of approval per AASLD Guidelines</p>
<b>Quantity Limit</b>	<p>Appropriate dosing per manufacturer</p>

## Clinical Background Information and References

1. HCV Guidance: Recommendations for Testing, Managing, and Treating Hepatitis C. American Association for the Study of liver Disease (AASLD) and Infectious Disease Society of America (IDSA). Available from <http://www.hcvguidelines.org>
2. Epclusa (sofosbuvir/velpatasvir) [prescribing information]. Foster City (CA): Gilead Science, Inc.; March 2020.
3. Harvoni (ledipasvir/sofosbuvir) [prescribing information]. Foster City (CA): Gilead Science, Inc.; March 2020.
4. Mavyret (glecaprevir/pibrentasvir) [prescribing information]. North Chicago (IL): AbbVie, Inc.; September, 2019.

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5. Vosevi (sofosbuvir/velpatasvir/voxilaprevir) [prescribing information]. Foster City (CA): Gilead Science, Inc.; November, 2019.

Original Approval Date	Original Effective Date	Policy Owner	Approved by
12/1/2020	1/1/2021	Pharmacy Services	Pharmacy & Therapeutics (P&T) Committee

Policy Revisions History			
Review Date	Summary of Revisions	Revision Effective Date	Approved by
12/1/2020	9.123 Hepatitis C Policy for retired, new policy created; updated approval criteria to remove the diagnosis of chronic hepatitis C to hepatitis C only	1/1/2021	P&T Committee
2/11/2021	P&T annual review: Updated age limit for Eplclusa based on recent FDA labeling changes; updated exclusion criteria	6/1/2021	P&T Committee

### Next Review Date

2/2022

### Other Applicable Policies

### Reference to Applicable Laws and Regulations, If Any

### Disclaimer Information

Medical Policies are the Plan’s guidelines for determining the medical necessity of certain services or supplies for purposes of determining coverage. These Policies may also describe when a service or supply is considered experimental or investigational, or cosmetic. In making coverage decisions, the Plan uses these guidelines and other Plan Policies, as well as the Member’s benefit document, and when appropriate, coordinates with the Member’s health care Providers to consider the individual Member’s health care needs.

Plan Policies are developed in accordance with applicable state and federal laws and regulations, and accrediting organization standards (including NCQA). Medical Policies are also developed, as appropriate, with consideration of the

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medical necessity definitions in various Plan products, review of current literature, consultation with practicing Providers in the Plan's service area who are medical experts in the particular field, and adherence to FDA and other government agency policies. Applicable state or federal mandates, as well as the Member's benefit document, take precedence over these guidelines. Policies are reviewed and updated on an annual basis, or more frequently as needed. Treating providers are solely responsible for the medical advice and treatment of Members.

The use of this Policy is neither a guarantee of payment nor a final prediction of how a specific claim(s) will be adjudicated. Reimbursement is based on many factors, including member eligibility and benefits on the date of service; medical necessity; utilization management guidelines (when applicable); coordination of benefits; adherence with applicable Plan policies and procedures; clinical coding criteria; claim editing logic; and the applicable Plan – Provider agreement.

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