

Naglazyme® (galsulfase) (Intravenous)

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I. Length of Authorization

Coverage will be provided for 12 months and may be renewed.

II. Dosing Limits

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

- 115 billable units every 7 days

III. Initial Approval Criteria ¹

Site of care specialty infusion program requirements are met (refer to [Moda Site of Care Policy](#)).

Coverage is provided in the following conditions:

- Patient is at least 5 years of age; **AND**
- Documented baseline 12-minute walk test (12-MWT), 3-minute stair climb test (3-MSCT), and/or pulmonary function tests (e.g., FEV1, etc.); **AND**
- Documented baseline value for urinary glycosaminoglycan (uGAG); **AND**
- Therapy is being used to treat non-central nervous system manifestations of the disease and patient does not have severe, irreversible cognitive impairment; **AND**

NOTE: Requests for continued therapy in patients with severe, irreversible cognitive impairment will be reviewed on a case-by case basis.

Mucopolysaccharidosis VI (MPS VI, Maroteaux-Lamy syndrome) † Φ ^{1,4,5,7}

- Patient has a definitive diagnosis of MPS VI as confirmed by the following:
 - Detection of pathogenic mutations in the *ARSB* gene by molecular genetic testing; **OR**
 - Arylsulfatase B (ASB) enzyme activity of <10% of the lower limit of normal in cultured fibroblasts or isolated leukocytes; **AND**
 - Patient has normal enzyme activity of a different sulfatase (excluding patients with Multiple Sulfatase Deficiency [MSD]); **AND**

- Patient has an elevated urinary glycosaminoglycan (uGAG) level (i.e. dermatan sulfate or chondroitin sulfate) defined as being above the upper limit of normal by the reference laboratory

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

IV. Renewal Criteria ^{1,4,5}

Coverage can be renewed based on the following criteria:

- Patient continues to meet indication-specific relevant criteria such as concomitant therapy requirements (not including prerequisite therapy), performance status, etc. identified in section III; **AND**
- Absence of unacceptable toxicity from the drug. Examples of unacceptable toxicity include: anaphylaxis and hypersensitivity reactions, immune-mediated reactions, acute respiratory complications associated with administration, acute cardiorespiratory failure, severe infusion reactions, spinal or cervical cord compression, etc.; **AND**
- Patient has a documented reduction in uGAG levels compared to pretreatment baseline; **AND**
- Patient has demonstrated a beneficial disease response to therapy compared to pre-treatment baseline values as defined in one or more of the following:
 - Improvement in or stability of 12-minute walk test (12-MWT); **OR**
 - Improvement in or stability of 3-minute stair climb test (3-MSCT); **OR**
 - Improvement in or stability of pulmonary function testing (e.g., FEV1, etc.)

V. Dosage/Administration ¹

Indication	Dose
Mucopolysaccharidosis VI (MPS VI, Maroteaux-Lamy Syndrome)	1 mg/kg of body weight administered as an intravenous (IV) infusion once a week

VI. Billing Code/Availability Information

HCPCS Code:

- J1458 – Injection, galsulfase, 1 mg; 1 billable unit = 1 mg

NDC:

- Naglazyme 5 mg/5 mL solution; single-dose vial: 68135-0020-xx

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Appendix 1 – Covered Diagnosis Codes

ICD-10	ICD-10 Description
E76.29	Other mucopolysaccharidoses

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