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l. Length of Authorization $^{\Delta\,1,5,6,8-12,17-19,20,24,27-29,31,33,39-42,44,46-49,53,54}$

Coverage will be provided for 6 months and may be renewed (unless otherwise specified).

- The following indications may be authorized up to a maximum of 12 weeks of therapy (4 doses) and may NOT be renewed (coverage may be extended to 16 weeks if 4 doses were not administered within the 12 week time frame):
 - Ampullary Adenocarcinoma
 - Colorectal Cancer (neoadjuvant therapy or subsequent therapy)
 - Appendiceal Adenocarcinoma (subsequent therapy)
 - CNS Cancer (combination therapy with nivolumab)
 - o Hepatocellular Carcinoma
 - Renal Cell Carcinoma
 - Cutaneous Melanoma (first-line or subsequent therapy)
 - * Requests for Cutaneous Melanoma may be renewed if the patient meets the provisions for reinduction therapy.
 - Cutaneous Melanoma (adjuvant therapy in combination with nivolumab)
 - Small Bowel Adenocarcinoma
 - Uveal Melanoma
- The following indications may be renewed up to a maximum of 2 years of therapy (18 doses):
 - Biliary Tract Cancers (subsequent therapy)
 - Bone Cancer
 - Esophageal and Esophagogastric/Gastroesophageal Junction Cancer (first-line therapy or induction therapy to relieve dysphagia for squamous cell carcinoma)
 - Kaposi Sarcoma
 - Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer
 - Peritoneal Mesothelioma (initial therapy)**
 - Pleural Mesothelioma (initial therapy)**

Gastric Cancer (Neoadjuvant or Perioperative Therapy)

 Coverage will be provided for a maximum of 12 weeks (2 doses) and may not be renewed for neoadjuvant or perioperative therapy

MSI-H/dMMR Esophageal and Esophagogastric/Gastroesophageal Junction Cancer

- Coverage will be provided for a maximum of 12 weeks of therapy (2 doses) and may not be renewed for neoadjuvant or perioperative therapy
- Coverage will be provided for a maximum of 16 weeks (3 doses) and may not be renewed for induction therapy for relieving dysphagia or first line therapy

Cutaneous Melanoma (single agent adjuvant treatment)

 Coverage will be provided for 60 weeks of therapy (8 doses total [initial and maintenance doses combined]).

Cutaneous Melanoma (neoadjuvant treatment in combination with nivolumab)

 Coverage will be provided for a maximum of 6 weeks of therapy (2 doses) and may not be renewed.

Gallbladder Cancer (neoadjuvant treatment in combination with nivolumab)

Coverage may NOT be renewed.

II. Dosing Limits

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

Indication	Billable Units (BU)	Per unit time (days)
Renal Cell Carcinoma (RCC), Small Bowel Adenocarcinoma (SBA), & Ampullary Adenocarcinoma	150 billable units	21 days x 4 doses
Colorectal Cancer (CRC), Appendiceal Adenocarcinoma	150 billable units	21 days
Pleural Mesothelioma (PM), Peritoneal Mesothelioma (PeM), Soft Tissue Sarcoma, MSI-H/dMMR Esophageal, and Esophagogastric/Gastroesophageal Junction Cancer, Gastric Cancer, Biliary Tract Cancers, Bone Cancer, & Kaposi Sarcoma, Esophageal and Esophagogastric/Gastroesophageal Junction Cancer, NSCLC, Gestational Trophoblastic Neoplasia	150 billable units	42 days
Merkel Cell Carcinoma	Initial 350 billable units	21 days x 4 doses
Werker Cell Carcinoma	Maintenance 150 billable units	42 days
Hepatocellular Carcinoma (HCC)	350 billable units	21 days x 4 doses
	Initial	



CNS Cancers	1150 billable units	21 days x 4 doses
	Maintenance 1150 billable units	84 days
Cutaneous Melanoma	Initial	
	350 billable units	21 days x 4 doses
	Maintenance	
	350 billable units	84 days x 4 doses
Uveal Melanoma	1150 billable units	21 days x 4 doses

III. Initial Approval Criteria ¹

Coverage is provided in the following conditions:

Patient is at least 18 years of age, unless otherwise indicated; AND

Ampullary Adenocarcinoma $\ddagger \Omega^{2,120e}$

- Patient has microsatellite instability-high (MSI-H) or mismatch repair deficient (dMMR) disease as determined by an FDA-approved or CLIA-compliant test*; AND
- Used in combination with nivolumab; AND
- Patient has intestinal type disease; AND
 - Used as first-line therapy for metastatic disease; OR
 - Used as subsequent therapy; AND
 - Patient progressed on or was intolerant to a prior line of treatment that included a fluoropyrimidine AND oxaliplatin or irinotecan, unless contraindicated

Biliary Tract Cancers (Gallbladder Cancer or Intra-/Extra-Hepatic Cholangiocarcinoma) ‡ 2,46,115e

- Used in combination with nivolumab; AND
- Patient has tumor mutational burden-high (TMB-H) [≥ 10 mutations/megabase (mut/Mb)]
 disease as determined by an FDA-approved or CLIA-compliant test*; AND
 - Used as subsequent treatment for progression on or after systemic treatment for unresectable, resected gross residual (R2), or metastatic disease; AND
 - Disease is refractory to standard therapies or there are no standard treatment options available; OR
 - Used as neoadjuvant therapy for resectable locoregionally advanced disease (**<u>NOTE</u>: Only applies to Gallbladder Cancer) Ω; AND
 - Patient has incidental finding of suspicious mass during surgery where hepatobiliary surgery expertise is unavailable; OR
 - Patient has incidental finding on pathologic review (cystic duct node positive); OR
 - Patient has mass on imaging



Bone Cancer ‡ 2,46,115e

- Patient has one of the following: Ewing sarcoma, Chondrosarcoma (excluding mesenchymal chondrosarcoma), Osteosarcoma, or Chordoma; AND
- Patient has tumor mutation burden-high (TMB-H) [≥ 10 mutations/megabase (mut/Mb)] disease as determined by an FDA-approved or CLIA-compliant test♦; AND
- Used in combination with nivolumab; AND
- Patient has unresectable or metastatic disease that progressed following prior treatment; AND
- Patient has no satisfactory alternative treatment options

Central Nervous System (CNS) Cancer ‡ 2,4,8,10,11,27,81e

- Used for the treatment of brain metastases in patients with BRAF non-specific melanoma; AND
- Used in combination with nivolumab; AND
 - Used as initial treatment in patients with small asymptomatic brain metastases; OR
 - Used for relapsed limited brain metastases with either stable systemic disease or reasonable systemic treatment options; OR
 - Used for recurrent limited brain metastases; OR
 - Used for recurrent extensive brain metastases with stable systemic disease or reasonable systemic treatment options

Colorectal Cancer (CRC) † ‡ 1,2,19,31,42,84e-86e,93e,122e

- Patient is at least 12 years of age; AND
 - Patient has microsatellite instability-high (MSI-H)/mismatch repair deficient (dMMR) disease as determined by an FDA-approved or CLIA-compliant test♦; AND
 - Used in combination with nivolumab (if candidate for intensive therapy);
 - Used as primary/initial treatment for locally unresectable or medically inoperable, recurrent, advanced, or metastatic disease; OR
 - Used as subsequent therapy for locally unresectable or medically inoperable, advanced, or metastatic disease; AND
 - Disease progressed following treatment with a fluoropyrimidine-, oxaliplatin-, and/or irinotecan-based chemotherapy, unless contraindicated; OR
 - Used as neoadjuvant therapy for advanced or metastatic disease; OR
 - Patient has polymerase epsilon/delta (POLE/POLD1) mutation with ultra-hypermutated phenotype [e.g., tumor mutational burden (TMB) >50 mut/Mb] Ω as determined by an FDAapproved or CLIA-compliant test*; AND
 - Used in combination with nivolumab (if candidate for intensive therapy); AND
 - Used as primary/initial treatment for locally unresectable or medically inoperable, recurrent, advanced, or metastatic disease; OR
 - Used as subsequent therapy for locally unresectable or medically inoperable, advanced, or metastatic disease; OR

Used as neoadjuvant therapy for advanced or metastatic disease

Appendiceal Adenocarcinoma – Colon Cancer $\ddagger \Omega^{2,31,109e}$

- Patient has microsatellite instability-high (MSI-H)/mismatch repair deficient (dMMR) disease OR polymerase epsilon/delta (POLE/POLD1) mutation as determined by an FDA-approved or CLIAcompliant test*; AND
- Used in combination with nivolumab (if candidate for intensive therapy); AND
- Used for advanced or metastatic disease; AND
 - Used as primary or initial treatment; OR
 - Used as subsequent treatment; AND
 - Disease progressed following treatment with a fluoropyrimidine-, oxaliplatin-, and/or irinotecan-based chemotherapy, unless contraindicated

Esophageal Cancer and Esophagogastric/Gastroesophageal Junction Cancers † ‡ 1,2,45,53,104e

- Used in combination with nivolumab; AND
 - Used as first-line therapy; AND
 - Patient has squamous cell carcinoma †; AND
 - Patient is not a surgical candidate or has unresectable advanced, recurrent, or metastatic disease; AND
 - Patient has microsatellite instability-high (MSI-H) or mismatch repair deficient (dMMR) tumors Ω; OR
 - Patient does NOT have MSI-H or dMMR tumors; OR
 - Used as neoadjuvant or perioperative therapy; AND
 - Patient has adenocarcinoma; AND
 - Used as primary treatment for patients who are medically fit for surgery with cT2, N0
 (high-risk lesions: lymphovascular invasion, ≥ 3cm, poorly differentiated), cT1b-cT2, N+
 or cT3-cT4a, Any N disease; AND
 - Patient has microsatellite instability-high (MSI-H) or mismatch repair deficient (dMMR) disease as determined by an FDA-approved or CLIA-compliant test♦; OR
 - Used as induction systemic therapy for relieving dysphagia Ω; AND
 - Patient has squamous cell carcinoma; AND
 - Patient is medically fit and planned for esophagectomy with cT2, N0 (high-risk lesions: lymphovascular invasion, ≥ 3 cm, poorly differentiated), cT1b-cT2, N+ or cT3-cT4a, Any N disease

Gastric Cancer ‡ 2,54

- Used in combination with nivolumab; AND
- Patient has microsatellite instability-high (MSI-H) or mismatch repair deficient (dMMR) disease as determined by an FDA-approved or CLIA-compliant test*; AND



- Used as neoadjuvant or perioperative therapy; AND
- Used as primary treatment prior to surgery for potentially resectable locoregional disease (cT2 or higher, any N) in patients who are medically fit for surgery

Hepatocellular Carcinoma (HCC) † ‡ 1,2,29e,30e,31e,33e

- Used in combination with nivolumab; AND
- Used as subsequent therapy; AND
- Used for one of the following:
 - o Patient was previously treated with sorafenib †
 - o Patient has liver-confined, unresectable disease and deemed ineligible for transplant
 - Patient has extrahepatic/metastatic disease and deemed ineligible for resection, transplant, or locoregional therapy

Kaposi Sarcoma ‡ 2,47

- Used in combination with nivolumab as subsequent therapy; AND
- Used for relapsed/refractory advanced cutaneous, oral, visceral, or nodal disease; AND
- Disease progressed on or did not respond to first-line therapy; AND
- Disease progressed on alternate first-line therapy

Renal Cell Carcinoma (RCC) † ‡ 1,2,18

- Used in combination with nivolumab for clear cell histology; AND
 - Used as first-line therapy in patients with poor or intermediate risk advanced, relapsed, or stage IV disease; OR
 - Used as first-line therapy in patients with favorable risk relapsed or stage IV disease*

Peritoneal Mesothelioma (PeM)* ‡ 2,56

- Used in combination with nivolumab; AND
 - Used as subsequent therapy (if platinum chemotherapy was administered first-line); OR
 - o Used as first-line therapy Ω ; AND
 - Used as adjuvant treatment for medically operable disease, following cytoreductive surgery (CRS) and hyperthermic intraperitoneal chemotherapy (HIPEC); AND
 - Patient has surgical or pathologic high-risk features**; OR
 - Patient has medically inoperable disease and/or complete cytoreduction not achievable, or presence of any high-risk features**; OR
 - Patient has disease progression following CRS + HIPEC if no prior adjuvant systemic therapy was given

^{*}Note: May also be used for pericardial mesothelioma $oldsymbol{\Omega}$ and tunica vaginalis testis mesothelioma $oldsymbol{\Omega}.$



^{*}When used as first-line therapy for stage IV disease, disease must be M1 or unresectable T4, M0

** High-risk features include: biphasic/sarcomatoid histology, nodal metastasis, Ki-67 >9%, thrombocytosis, PS=2, bicavitary disease, high disease burden/incomplete cytoreduction (Peritoneal Cancer Index [PCI] >17, completeness of cytoreduction (cc) score >1)

Pleural Mesothelioma (PM)* † ‡ Φ 1,2,5,25,26,34,37

- Used in combination with nivolumab; AND
 - Used as subsequent therapy (if platinum chemotherapy was administered first-line); OR
 - Used as first-line therapy in patients with medically inoperable or unresectable disease; OR
 - Used as induction therapy prior to surgical exploration; AND
 - Patient has clinical stage I disease and epithelioid histology

Cutaneous Melanoma † ‡ Ф 1,2,6,17,43,4e,5e,10e,11e,20e-22e,98e,99e

- Used as first-line therapy for unresectable or metastatic* disease †; AND
 - Patient is at least 12 years of age; AND
 - Used as a single agent or in combination with nivolumab; OR
- Used as subsequent therapy for unresectable or metastatic* disease; AND
 - Used after disease progression, intolerance, and/or projected risk of progression with BRAFtargeted therapy (e.g., dabrafenib/trametinib, vemurafenib/cobimetinib, encorafenib/binimetinib, etc.); AND
 - Used as a single agent in patients at least 12 years of age; OR
 - Used in combination with nivolumab in patients at least 12 years of age; OR
 - Used in combination with pembrolizumab for disease progression following anti-PD-1 therapy; OR
 - Used as re-induction therapy in patients who experienced disease control (i.e., complete or partial response or stable disease) and no residual toxicity from prior use, but subsequently have disease progression/relapse > 3 months after treatment discontinuation Ω; AND
 - Used as a single agent or in combination with anti-PD-1 therapy; AND
 - Patient has completed initial induction ipilimumab therapy (i.e., completion of 4 cycles within a 16 week period); OR
- Used as adjuvant treatment; AND
 - Used as a single agent; AND
 - Patient has stage III disease with pathologic involvement of regional lymph nodes of more than 1 mm and has undergone complete resection including total lymphadenectomy †; OR
 - Patient has prior exposure to anti-PD-1 therapy (e.g., nivolumab or pembrolizumab)
 Ω: AND
 - Patient has local satellite/in-transit recurrence and has no evidence of disease (NED) after complete excision ‡; OR



^{*}Note: May also be used for pericardial mesothelioma Ω and tunica vaginalis testis mesothelioma Ω .

- Patient has resectable disease limited to nodal recurrence following excision of the recurrence and therapeutic lymph node dissection (TLND) ‡; OR
- Patient has oligometastatic disease and no evidence of disease (NED) following metastasis-directed therapy (i.e., complete resection, stereotactic ablative therapy or T-VEC/intralesional therapy) OR following systemic therapy followed by resection ‡; OR
- Used in combination with nivolumab; AND
 - Patient has oligometastatic disease and no evidence of disease (NED) following metastasis-directed therapy (i.e., complete resection, stereotactic ablative therapy or T-VEC/intralesional therapy) OR following systemic therapy followed by resection; OR
- Used as neoadjuvant therapy; AND
 - Used in combination with nivolumab: AND
 - Patient has stage III disease; AND
 - Used as primary treatment for clinically positive, resectable nodal disease; OR
 - > Used for limited resectable disease with clinical satellite/in-transit metastases; OR
 - Patient has limited resectable local satellite/in-transit recurrence; OR
 - Patient has resectable disease limited to nodal recurrence

*Metastatic disease includes stage III unresectable/borderline resectable disease with clinically positive node(s) or clinical satellite/in-transit metastases, as well as unresectable/borderline resectable local satellite/in-transit recurrence, unresectable nodal recurrence, and widely disseminated distant metastatic disease.

Uveal Melanoma ‡ 2,20-23,32

- Used as a single agent or in combination with nivolumab; AND
- Patient has metastatic or unresectable disease; AND

Merkel Cell Carcinoma ± 2,50,51,66

- Used for M1 disseminated disease; AND
 - Used in combination with nivolumab; OR
- Used for recurrent N+ regional disease if curative surgery and curative radiation therapy (RT) are not feasible; AND
 - Used in combination with nivolumab; OR
- Used for primary N+, M0 regional disease with biopsy positive draining nodal basin if curative surgery and curative RT are not feasible Ω; AND
 - Used in combination with nivolumab

Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer (NSCLC) † \$\pm\$ 1,2,12,16,24,36,34e-36e,42e,49e,88e,109e

 Used for recurrent, advanced, or metastatic disease (excluding locoregional recurrence or symptomatic local disease without evidence of disseminated disease) or mediastinal lymph node recurrence with prior radiation therapy; AND



- Used as first-line therapy; AND
 - Used for one of the following:
 - Patients with tumors that are negative for actionable molecular biomarkers**
 (may be KRAS G12C mutation positive)
 - Patients who are positive for one of the following molecular biomarkers: EGFR exon 20, KRAS G12C, BRAF V600E, NTRK1/2/3 gene fusion, MET exon 14 skipping, NRG1 gene fusion, or ERBB2 (HER2); AND
 - Used in combination with one of the following:
 - Nivolumab
 - Nivolumab and platinum-doublet chemotherapy (e.g., pemetrexed and either carboplatin or cisplatin for nonsquamous cell histology, or paclitaxel and carboplatin for squamous cell histology, etc.); OR
- Used as subsequent therapy; AND
 - Used for one of the following:
 - Patients who are positive for one of the following molecular biomarkers and have received prior targeted therapy§: EGFR S768I, L861Q, and/or G719X
 - Patients who are positive for one of the following molecular biomarkers: BRAF V600E, NTRK1/2/3 gene fusion, MET exon 14 skipping; AND
 - Used in combination with one of the following:
 - Nivolumab
 - Nivolumab, pemetrexed, and either carboplatin or cisplatin for nonsquamous cell histology
 - Nivolumab, paclitaxel, and carboplatin for squamous cell histology; OR
- Used as continuation maintenance therapy in combination with nivolumab; AND
 - Patient has achieved a response or stable disease following first-line therapy with nivolumab and ipilimumab with or without chemotherapy

** Note: Actionable molecular genomic biomarkers include EGFR, KRAS, ALK, ROS1, BRAF, NTRK1/2/3, MET, RET, NRG1, and ERBB2 (HER2). Complete genotyping for EGFR, KRAS, ALK, ROS1, BRAF, NTRK1/2/3, MET, RET, NRG1, and ERBB2 (HER2) via biopsy and/or plasma testing. If a clinically actionable marker is found, it is reasonable to start therapy based on the identified marker. Treatment is guided by available results and, if unknown, these patients are treated as though they do not have driver oncogenes.

§ Genomic Aberration/Mutational Driver Targeted Therapies: Refer to guidelines for appropriate use.

Small Bowel Adenocarcinoma (SBA) $\ddagger \Omega^{2,19,29,91e,120e}$

- Used in combination with nivolumab; AND
- Patient has microsatellite instability-high (MSI-H) or mismatch repair deficient (dMMR) disease
 OR polymerase epsilon/delta (POLE/POLD1) mutation with ultra-hypermutated phenotype [e.g.,



tumor mutational burden (TMB) > 50 mut/Mb] as detected by an FDA or CLIA compliant test❖; **AND**

- Patient has advanced or metastatic disease; AND
 - Used as primary treatment; OR
 - Used as subsequent treatment for POLE/POLD1 mutation ONLY (excluded for dMMR/MSI-H); AND
 - Disease progressed following treatment with a fluoropyrimidine-, oxaliplatin-, and/or irinotecan-based chemotherapy, unless contraindicated; OR
- Patient has locally unresectable or medically inoperable disease; AND
 - Used as primary treatment

Soft Tissue Sarcoma ‡ 2,46,52,150e

- Extremity/Body Wall* or Head/Neck*
 - Used in combination with nivolumab; AND
 - Used as subsequent therapy for advanced/metastatic disease with disseminated metastases; AND
 - Patient has myxofibrosarcoma Ω, dedifferentiated liposarcoma Ω, or undifferentiated sarcomas Ω; **OR**
 - Patient has cutaneous angiosarcoma
- Retroperitoneal/Intra-Abdominal**
 - Used in combination with nivolumab; AND
 - Used as one of the following:
 - Alternative systemic therapy for unresectable or progressive disease after initial therapy for unresectable localized disease; OR
 - Palliative subsequent therapy for stage IV disease with disseminated metastases; AND
 - Used for one of the following:
 - Patient has myxofibrosarcoma Ω, dedifferentiated liposarcoma Ω, or undifferentiated sarcomas Ω: OR
 - Patient has cutaneous angiosarcoma
- Pleomorphic Rhabdomyosarcoma Ω
 - Used in combination with nivolumab; AND
 - Used as subsequent therapy for advanced/metastatic disease
- Angiosarcoma
 - Used in combination with nivolumab

^{**}For well-differentiated liposarcoma (WDLPS-retroperitoneum, paratesticular) with or without evidence of dedifferentiation, treat as other soft tissue sarcomas.



^{*}For atypical lipomatous tumor/well-differentiated liposarcoma (ALT/WDLPS) of the extremity, abdominal wall, trunk that was initially diagnosed as ALT/WDLPS and shows evidence of de-differentiation, treat as other soft tissue sarcomas.

Gestational Trophoblastic Neoplasia ‡ 2,64,137e,138e

- Used in combination with nivolumab; AND
- Patient has multiagent chemotherapy-resistant disease; AND
 - Patient has intermediate placental site trophoblastic tumor (PSTT) or epithelioid trophoblastic tumor (ETT); AND
 - Patient has recurrent or progressive disease; OR
 - Patient has high risk disease (i.e., ≥7 Prognostic score or stage IV disease)

Preferred therapies and recommendations are determined by review of clinical evidence. NCCN category of recommendation is taken into account as a component of this review. Regimens deemed equally efficacious (i.e., those having the same NCCN categorization) are considered to be therapeutically equivalent.

❖ If confirmed using an FDA approved assay – http://www.fda.gov/CompanionDiagnostics

Ω Please note that the supporting data for this indication has been assessed and deemed to be of insufficient quality based on the review conducted for the Enhanced Oncology Value (EOV) program. However, due to the absence of viable alternative treatment options, this indication will be retained in our policy and evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

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

IV. Renewal Criteria $^{\Delta 1,2,6,9-12,17-29,39-41,46-49,53,54,60-61}$

Coverage may be renewed based upon the following criteria:

- Patient continues to meet the universal and other 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
- Absence of unacceptable toxicity from the drug. Examples of unacceptable toxicity include: severe immune-mediated adverse reactions (e.g., colitis, hepatitis, dermatitis/rash, pneumonitis, nephritis/renal dysfunction, endocrinopathies, etc.), severe infusion-related reactions, complications of allogeneic hematopoietic stem cell transplantation (HSCT), etc.; AND
- Disease response with treatment as defined by stabilization of disease or decrease in size of tumor or tumor spread



Δ <u>Notes</u>:

- Patients responding to therapy who relapse ≥ 6 months after discontinuation due to duration
 (i.e., receipt of 24 months of PD-directed therapy) are eligible to re-initiate checkpoint inhibitor
 therapy.
- Patients who complete adjuvant therapy and progress ≥ 6 months after discontinuation are eligible to re-initiate checkpoint inhibitor therapy for metastatic disease.
- Patients whose tumors, upon re-biopsy, demonstrate a change in actionable mutation (e.g., MSS initial biopsy; MSI-H subsequent biopsy) may be eligible to re-initiate checkpoint inhibitor therapy and will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

$\textbf{V.} \quad \textbf{Dosage/Administration} \ ^{\vartriangle \ 1,5,6,8-12,17-29,31,33,34,38-42,44,46-55,57-62,66} \\$

Indication	Dose
Renal Cell Carcinoma (RCC), Small Bowel Adenocarcinoma (SBA) & Ampullary Adenocarcinoma	Administer 1 mg/kg intravenously every 3 weeks for a total of 4 doses (given in combination with nivolumab on the same day, then follow with nivolumab monotherapy)
Biliary Tract Cancers	 Subsequent therapy: Administer 1 mg/kg intravenously every 6 weeks (given in combination with nivolumab every 2 weeks) until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity for up to 24 months (2 years) Neoadjuvant therapy (gallbladder cancer only): Administer 1 mg/kg intravenously every 6 weeks (given in combination with nivolumab every 2 weeks) for 2 to 6 months
Bone Cancer & Kaposi Sarcoma	Administer 1 mg/kg intravenously every 6 weeks (given in combination with nivolumab every 2 weeks) until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity for up to 24 months (2 years)
CNS Cancers	 In combination with nivolumab: Administer 3 mg/kg intravenously every 3 weeks for 4 doses (given in combination with nivolumab on the same day, then follow with nivolumab monotherapy)
Colorectal Cancer (CRC)	Neoadjuvant therapy Administer 1 mg/kg intravenously every 3 weeks for 4 doses (given in combination with nivolumab on the same day) Primary/initial treatment Administer 1 mg/kg intravenously every 6 weeks (given in combination with nivolumab every 2 weeks), until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity Subsequent therapy Administer 1 mg/kg intravenously every 3 weeks for a total of 4 doses (given in combination with nivolumab on the same day, then follow with nivolumab monotherapy)
Appendiceal Adenocarcinoma	Primary/initial treatment O Administer 1 mg/kg intravenously every 6 weeks (given in combination with nivolumab every 2 weeks) until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity



	Subsequent therapy O Administer 1 mg/kg intravenously every 3 weeks for a total of 4 doses (given in combination with nivolumab on the same day, then follow with nivolumab monotherapy)	
Esophageal and Esophagogastric/ Gastroesophageal Junction Cancer	First-line therapy or induction therapy for relieving dysphasia (squamous cell carcinoma only): O Administer 1 mg/kg intravenously every 6 weeks (given in combination with nivolumab every 2 or 3 weeks) until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity for up to 2 years	
MSI-H/dMMR Esophageal and Esophagogastric/ Gastroesophageal Junction Cancer	 Induction therapy for relieving dysphagia: Administer 1 mg/kg intravenously every 6 weeks for 16 weeks (given in combination with nivolumab every 2 weeks, then followed ny nivolumab monotherapy) Neoadjuvant/perioperative therapy: Administer 1 mg/kg intravenously every 6 weeks (given in combination with nivolumab every 2 weeks) for 12 weeks, followed by surgery and then postoperative therapy with nivolumab 	
Gastric Cancer	Neoadjuvant/perioperative therapy: Administer 1 mg/kg intravenously every 6 weeks (given in combination with nivolumab every 2 weeks) for 12 weeks, followed by surgery and then postoperative therapy with nivolumab	
Hepatocellular Carcinoma (HCC)	Administer 3 mg/kg intravenously every 3 weeks for a total of 4 doses (given in combination with nivolumab on the same day, then follow with nivolumab monotherapy)	
Pleural Mesothelioma (PM) & Peritoneal Mesothelioma (PeM) (including pericardial mesothelioma and tunica vaginalis testis mesothelioma)	 Initial therapy Administer 1 mg/kg intravenously every 6 weeks (given in combination with nivolumab every 2 or 3 weeks) until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity for up to 2 years Subsequent therapy Administer 1 mg/kg intravenously every 6 weeks (given in combination with nivolumab every 2 weeks) until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity 	
Cutaneous Melanoma	 Single agent as first-line or subsequent therapy: Administer 3 mg/kg intravenously every 3 weeks for a maximum of 4 doses In combination with nivolumab as first-line or subsequent therapy: Administer 1 mg/kg intravenously or 3 mg/kg intravenously every 3 weeks for a maximum of 4 doses (when given in combination with nivolumab on the same day, follow with nivolumab monotherapy) In combination with pembrolizumab as subsequent therapy:	



	 Initial: Administer 3 mg/kg intravenously every 3 weeks for up to a maximum of 4 doses 	
	 Maintenance: Administer 3 mg/kg intravenously every 12 weeks for up to an additional 4 doses In combination with nivolumab as adjuvant therapy: 	
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	 Administer 1 mg/kg intravenously or 3 mg/kg intravenously every 3 weeks for a maximum of 4 doses (given in combination with nivolumab on the same day) 	
Uveal Melanoma	Single agent:	
	Administer 3 mg/kg or 10mg/kg intravenously every 3 weeks for 4 doses	
	In combination with nivolumab:	
	 Administer 3 mg/kg intravenously every 3 weeks for 4 doses (given in combination with nivolumab on the same day, then follow with nivolumab monotherapy) 	
Merkel Cell Carcinoma	In combination with nivolumab:	
	Administer 1 mg/kg intravenously every 6 weeks (given in combination with nivolumab every 2 weeks) until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity	
	OR	
	 Administer 1 mg/kg intravenously OR 3 mg/kg intravenously every 3 weeks for a maximum of 4 doses (given with nivolumab every 3 weeks, may follow with nivolumab monotherapy) 	
Non-Small Cell Lung	In combination with nivolumab:	
Cancer (NSCLC)	 Administer 1 mg/kg intravenously every 6 weeks (given in combination with nivolumab every 3 weeks), until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity for up to 2 years 	
	In combination with nivolumab and platinum-doublet chemotherapy:	
	 Administer 1 mg/kg intravenously every 6 weeks (given in combination with nivolumab every 3 weeks and histology-based platinum-doublet chemotherapy every 3 weeks for 2 cycles) until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity for up to 2 years 	
Soft Tissue Sarcoma &	Administer 1 mg/kg intravenously every 6 weeks (given in combination with nivolumab	
Gestational Trophoblastic	every 2 weeks) until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity	
Neoplasia (GTN)		
* All treatments given for a maximum of 4 doses must be administered within 16 weeks of the first dose.		

VI. Billing Code/Availability Information

HCPCS Code:

• J9228 – Injection, ipilimumab, 1 mg; 1 billable unit = 1 mg

NDC(s):

- Yervoy 50 mg/10 mL injection (single-dose vial): 00003-2327-xx
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Appendix 1 – Covered Diagnosis Codes

ICD-10	ICD-10 Description	
C15.3	Malignant neoplasm of upper third of esophagus	
C15.4	Malignant neoplasm of middle third of esophagus	
C15.5	Malignant neoplasm of lower third of esophagus	
C15.8	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of esophagus	
C15.9	Malignant neoplasm of esophagus, unspecified	
C16.0	Malignant neoplasm of cardia	
C16.1	Malignant neoplasm of fundus of stomach	
C16.2	Malignant neoplasm of body of stomach	
C16.3	Malignant neoplasm of pyloric antrum	
C16.4	Malignant neoplasm of pylorus	
C16.5	Malignant neoplasm of lesser curvature of stomach, unspecified	
C16.6	Malignant neoplasm of greater curvature of stomach, unspecified	
C16.8	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of stomach	
C16.9	Malignant neoplasm of stomach, unspecified	
C17.0	Malignant neoplasm of duodenum	
C17.1	Malignant neoplasm of jejunum	
C17.2	Malignant neoplasm of ileum	
C17.3	Meckel's diverticulum, malignant	
C17.8	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of small intestine	
C17.9	Malignant neoplasm of small intestine, unspecified	
C18.0	Malignant neoplasm of cecum	
C18.1	Malignant neoplasm of appendix	
C18.2	Malignant neoplasm of ascending colon	
C18.3	Malignant neoplasm of hepatic flexure	
C18.4	Malignant neoplasm of transverse colon	
C18.5	Malignant neoplasm of splenic flexure	
C18.6	Malignant neoplasm of descending colon	
C18.7	Malignant neoplasm of sigmoid colon	
C18.8	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of colon	
C18.9	Malignant neoplasm of colon, unspecified	
C19	Malignant neoplasm of rectosigmoid junction	
C20	Malignant neoplasm of rectum	
C21.8	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of rectum, anus and anal canal	





ICD-10	ICD-10 Description	
C22.0	Liver cell carcinoma	
C22.1	Intrahepatic bile duct carcinoma	
C22.3	Angiosarcoma of liver	
C22.8	Malignant neoplasm of liver, primary, unspecified as to type	
C22.9	Malignant neoplasm of liver, not specified as primary or secondary	
C23	Malignant neoplasm of gallbladder	
C24.0	Malignant neoplasm of extrahepatic bile duct	
C24.1	Malignant neoplasm of ampulla of Vater	
C24.8	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of biliary tract	
C24.9	Malignant neoplasm of biliary tract, unspecified	
C33	Malignant neoplasm of trachea	
C34.00	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified main bronchus	
C34.01	Malignant neoplasm of right main bronchus	
C34.02	Malignant neoplasm of left main bronchus	
C34.10	Malignant neoplasm of upper lobe, unspecified bronchus or lung	
C34.11	Malignant neoplasm of upper lobe, right bronchus or lung	
C34.12	Malignant neoplasm of upper lobe, left bronchus or lung	
C34.2	Malignant neoplasm of middle lobe, bronchus or lung	
C34.30	Malignant neoplasm of lower lobe, unspecified bronchus or lung	
C34.31	Malignant neoplasm of lower lobe, right bronchus or lung	
C34.32	Malignant neoplasm of lower lobe, left bronchus or lung	
C34.80	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of unspecified bronchus and lung	
C34.81	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of right bronchus and lung	
C34.82	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of left bronchus and lung	
C34.90	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified part of unspecified bronchus or lung	
C34.91	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified part of right bronchus or lung	
C34.92	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified part of left bronchus or lung	
C40.00	Malignant neoplasm of scapula and long bones of unspecified upper limb	
C40.01	Malignant neoplasm of scapula and long bones of right upper limb	
C40.02	Malignant neoplasm of scapula and long bones of left upper limb	
C40.10	Malignant neoplasm of short bones of unspecified upper limb	
C40.11	Malignant neoplasm of short bones of right upper limb	
C40.12	Malignant neoplasm of short bones of left upper limb	
C40.20	Malignant neoplasm of long bones of unspecified lower limb	
C40.21	Malignant neoplasm of long bones of right lower limb	
C40.22	Malignant neoplasm of long bones of left lower limb	
C40.30	Malignant neoplasm of short bones of unspecified lower limb	



ICD-10	ICD-10 Description	
C40.31	Malignant neoplasm of short bones of right lower limb	
C40.32	Malignant neoplasm of short bones of left lower limb	
C40.80	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of bone and articular cartilage of unspecified limb	
C40.81	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of bone and articular cartilage of right limb	
C40.82	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of bone and articular cartilage of left limb	
C40.90	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified bones and articular cartilage of unspecified limb	
C40.91	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified bones and articular cartilage of right limb	
C40.92	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified bones and articular cartilage of left limb	
C41.0	Malignant neoplasm of bones of skull and face	
C41.1	Malignant neoplasm of mandible	
C41.2	Malignant neoplasm of vertebral column	
C41.3	Malignant neoplasm of ribs, sternum and clavicle	
C41.4	Malignant neoplasm of pelvic bones, sacrum and coccyx	
C41.9	Malignant neoplasm of bone and articular cartilage, unspecified	
C43.0	Malignant melanoma of lip	
C43.111	Malignant melanoma of right upper eyelid, including canthus	
C43.112	Malignant melanoma of right lower eyelid, including canthus	
C43.121	Malignant melanoma of left upper eyelid, including canthus	
C43.122	Malignant melanoma of left lower eyelid, including canthus	
C43.20	Malignant melanoma of unspecified ear and external auricular canal	
C43.21	Malignant melanoma of right ear and external auricular canal	
C43.22	Malignant melanoma of left ear and external auricular canal	
C43.30	Malignant melanoma of unspecified part of face	
C43.31	Malignant melanoma of nose	
C43.39	Malignant melanoma of other parts of face	
C43.4	Malignant melanoma of scalp and neck	
C43.51	Malignant melanoma of anal skin	
C43.52	Malignant melanoma of skin of breast	
C43.59	Malignant melanoma of other part of trunk	
C43.60	Malignant melanoma of unspecified upper limb, including shoulder	
C43.61	Malignant melanoma of right upper limb, including shoulder	
C43.62	Malignant melanoma of left upper limb, including shoulder	
C43.70	Malignant melanoma of unspecified lower limb, including hip	
C43.71	Malignant melanoma of right lower limb, including hip	
C43.72	Malignant melanoma of left lower limb, including hip	
C43.8	Malignant melanoma of overlapping sites of skin	
C43.9	Malignant melanoma of skin, unspecified	



ICD-10	ICD-10 Description	
C45.0	Mesothelioma of pleura	
C45.1	Mesothelioma of peritoneum	
C45.2	Mesothelioma of pericardium	
C45.7	Mesothelioma of other sites	
C45.9	Mesothelioma, unspecified	
C46.0	Kaposi's sarcoma of skin	
C46.1	Kaposi's sarcoma of soft tissue	
C46.2	Kaposi's sarcoma of palate	
C46.3	Kaposi's sarcoma of lymph nodes	
C46.4	Kaposi's sarcoma of gastrointestinal sites	
C46.50	Kaposi's sarcoma of unspecified lung	
C46.51	Kaposi's sarcoma of right lung	
C46.52	Kaposi's sarcoma of left lung	
C46.7	Kaposi's sarcoma of other sites	
C46.9	Kaposi's sarcoma, unspecified	
C47.0	Malignant neoplasm of peripheral nerves of head, face and neck	
C47.10	Malignant neoplasm of peripheral nerves of unspecified upper limb, including shoulder	
C47.11	Malignant neoplasm of peripheral nerves of right upper limb, including shoulder	
C47.12	Malignant neoplasm of peripheral nerves of left upper limb, including shoulder	
C47.20	Malignant neoplasm of peripheral nerves of unspecified lower limb, including hip	
C47.21	Malignant neoplasm of peripheral nerves of right lower limb, including hip	
C47.22	Malignant neoplasm of peripheral nerves of left lower limb, including hip	
C47.3	Malignant neoplasm of peripheral nerves of thorax	
C47.4	Malignant neoplasm of peripheral nerves of abdomen	
C47.5	Malignant neoplasm of peripheral nerves of pelvis	
C47.6	Malignant neoplasm of peripheral nerves of trunk, unspecified	
C47.8	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of peripheral nerves and autonomic nervous system	
C47.9	Malignant neoplasm of peripheral nerves and autonomic nervous system, unspecified	
C48.0	Malignant neoplasm of retroperitoneum	
C48.1	Malignant neoplasm of specified parts of peritoneum	
C48.2	Malignant neoplasm of peritoneum, unspecified	
C48.8	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of retroperitoneum and peritoneum	
C49.0	Malignant neoplasm of connective and soft tissue of head, face and neck	
C49.10	Malignant neoplasm of connective and soft tissue of unspecified upper limb, including shoulder	
C49.11	Malignant neoplasm of connective and soft tissue of right upper limb, including shoulder	
C49.12	Malignant neoplasm of connective and soft tissue of left upper limb, including shoulder	
C49.20	Malignant neoplasm of connective and soft tissue of unspecified lower limb, including hip	



ICD-10	ICD-10 Description	
C49.21	Malignant neoplasm of connective and soft tissue of right lower limb, including hip	
C49.22	Malignant neoplasm of connective and soft tissue of left lower limb, including hip	
C49.3	Malignant neoplasm of connective and soft tissue of thorax	
C49.4	Malignant neoplasm of connective and soft tissue of abdomen	
C49.5	Malignant neoplasm of connective and soft tissue of pelvis	
C49.6	Malignant neoplasm of connective and soft tissue of trunk, unspecified	
C49.8	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of connective and soft tissue	
C49.9	Malignant neoplasm of connective and soft tissue, unspecified	
C58	Malignant neoplasm of placenta	
C4A.0	Merkel cell carcinoma of lip	
C4A.10	Merkel cell carcinoma of eyelid, including canthus	
C4A.111	Merkel cell carcinoma of right upper eyelid, including canthus	
C4A.112	Merkel cell carcinoma of right lower eyelid, including canthus	
C4A.121	Merkel cell carcinoma of left upper eyelid, including canthus	
C4A.122	Merkel cell carcinoma of left lower eyelid, including canthus	
C4A.20	Merkel cell carcinoma of unspecified ear and external auricular canal	
C4A.21	Merkel cell carcinoma of right ear and external auricular canal	
C4A.22	Merkel cell carcinoma of left ear and external auricular canal	
C4A.30	Merkel cell carcinoma of unspecified part of face	
C4A.31	Merkel cell carcinoma of nose	
C4A.39	Merkel cell carcinoma of other parts of face	
C4A.4	Merkel cell carcinoma of scalp and neck	
C4A.51	Merkel cell carcinoma of anal skin	
C4A.52	Merkel cell carcinoma of skin of breast	
C4A.59	Merkel cell carcinoma of other part of trunk	
C4A.60	Merkel cell carcinoma of unspecified upper limb, including shoulder	
C4A.61	Merkel cell carcinoma of right upper limb, including shoulder	
C4A.62	Merkel cell carcinoma of left upper limb, including shoulder	
C4A.70	Merkel cell carcinoma of unspecified lower limb, including hip	
C4A.71	Merkel cell carcinoma of right lower limb, including hip	
C4A.72	Merkel cell carcinoma of left lower limb, including hip	
C4A.8	Merkel cell carcinoma of overlapping sites	
C4A.9	Merkel cell carcinoma, unspecified	
C64.1	Malignant neoplasm of right kidney, except renal pelvis	
C64.2	Malignant neoplasm of left kidney, except renal pelvis	
C64.9	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified kidney, except renal pelvis	
C65.1	Malignant neoplasm of right renal pelvis	



ICD-10	ICD-10 Description	
C65.2	Malignant neoplasm of left renal pelvis	
C65.9	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified renal pelvis	
C69.30	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified choroid	
C69.31	Malignant neoplasm of right choroid	
C69.32	Malignant neoplasm of left choroid	
C69.40	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified ciliary body	
C69.41	Malignant neoplasm of right ciliary body	
C69.42	Malignant neoplasm of left ciliary body	
C69.60	Malignant neoplasm of unspecified orbit	
C69.61	Malignant neoplasm of right orbit	
C69.62	Malignant neoplasm of left orbit	
C72.0	Malignant neoplasm of spinal cord	
C72.1	Malignant neoplasm of cauda equina	
C78.00	Secondary malignant neoplasm of unspecified lung	
C78.01	Secondary malignant neoplasm of right lung	
C78.02	Secondary malignant neoplasm of left lung	
C78.6	Secondary malignant neoplasm of retroperitoneum and peritoneum	
C78.7	Secondary malignant neoplasm of liver and intrahepatic bile duct	
C79.31	Secondary malignant neoplasm of brain	
C7B.1	Secondary Merkel cell carcinoma	
D37.1	Neoplasm of uncertain behavior of stomach	
D37.8	Neoplasm of uncertain behavior of other specified digestive organs	
D37.9	Neoplasm of uncertain behavior of digestive organ, unspecified	
D39.2	Neoplasm of uncertain behavior of placenta	
O01.9	Hydatidiform mole, unspecified	
Z85.00	Personal history of malignant neoplasm of unspecified digestive organ	
Z85.01	Personal history of malignant neoplasm of esophagus	
Z85.028	Personal history of other malignant neoplasm of stomach	
Z85.068	Personal history of other malignant neoplasm of small intestine	
Z85.09	Personal history of malignant neoplasm of other digestive organs	
Z85.118	Personal history of other malignant neoplasm of bronchus and lung	
Z85.820	Personal history of malignant melanoma of skin	
Z85.821	Personal history of Merkel cell carcinoma	
Z85.830	Personal history of malignant neoplasm of bone	
Z85.831	Personal history of malignant neoplasm of soft tissue	



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			
Jurisdictio	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	

