

Market Applicability							
Market	DC	GA	KY	MD	NJ	NY	WA
Applicable	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

Torisel (temsirolimus)

Override	Approval Duration
Prior Authorization	1 year

Medication
Torisel (temsirolimus)

APPROVAL CRITERIA

Requests for Torisel (temsirolimus) may be approved if the following criteria are met:

- I. Individual has a diagnosis of advanced Renal Cell Carcinoma and the following are met:
 - A. Temsirolimus is used as first-line therapy as a single agent (monotherapy) for (either 1. or 2.):
 1. Relapsed metastatic disease; **OR**
 2. Surgically unresectable stage IV renal carcinoma in individuals with a poor prognosis as manifested by having *at least* three (3) of the following (a. through f.):
 - a. Lactate dehydrogenase greater than 1.5 times the upper limit of normal; **OR**
 - b. Hemoglobin less than the lower limit of normal; **OR**
 - c. Corrected calcium level greater than 10 mg/dL (2.5 mmol/liter); **OR**
 - d. Interval of less than a year from original diagnosis to the start of systemic therapy; **OR**
 - e. Karnofsky performance status less than or equal to 70 or ECOG performance score of 2, 3, or 4; **OR**
 - f. Greater than or equal to 2 sites of metastases;

OR

- B. For subsequent (second-line) therapy as a single agent (monotherapy) for relapsed metastatic or for surgically unresectable stage IV disease;

OR

- II. Individual has a diagnosis of Soft tissue sarcoma and the following are met (NCCN 2A):
 - A. Temsirolimus is used as a single agent (monotherapy) for sarcoma including, but not limited to, PEComa, recurrent angiomyolipoma, and lymphangioliomyomatosis;

OR

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- III. Individual has a diagnosis of Endometrial Adenocarcinoma and the following are met (NCCN 2A):
- A. Temsirolimus is used as a single agent (monotherapy); AND
 - B. Individual has unresectable, recurrent or metastatic disease.

Torisel (temsirolimus) may not be approved for the following:

- I. Bilirubin greater than 1.5 times the upper limit of normal (ULN); **OR**
- II. When criteria are not met and for all other indications.

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