

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

## Vimizim (elosulfase alfa)

Override(s)	Approval Duration
Prior Authorization	1 year

Medications	Dosing Limit
Vimizim (elosulfase alfa) 5 mg vial	2 mg/kg once per week

### APPROVAL CRITERIA

Requests for Vimizim (elosulfase alfa) may be approved if the following criteria are met:

- I. Individual has a diagnosis of mucopolysaccharidosis IVA (Morquio A syndrome); **AND**
- II. Confirmed diagnosis by (Akyol 2019; Wood 2013):
  - A. Documented reduced fibroblast or leukocyte N-acetylgalactosamine-6-sulfatase (GALNS) enzyme activity combined with normal enzyme activity level of another sulfatase; **OR**
  - B. Documented genetic testing;

#### **AND**

- III. Documented clinical signs and symptoms of Morquio A syndrome (for example, knee deformity, corneal opacity or pectus carinatum) (Hendriksz 2015; Wood 2013).

Requests for Vimizim (elosulfase alfa) may not be approved for the following:

- I. All other indications not included above; **OR**
- II. Individual is using to treat mucopolysaccharidosis IVB (Morquio B syndrome).

#### **Note:**

Vimizim (elosulfase alfa) has a black box warning for anaphylaxis. Life-threatening anaphylactic reactions have occurred during Vimizim infusions so appropriate medical support should be available during Vimizim administration. Individuals should be educated on the signs and symptoms of anaphylaxis and to seek immediate medical care should they occur.

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Individuals with acute respiratory illness may be at risk of serious acute exacerbation of their respiratory disease and require additional monitoring.

State Specific Mandates		
State name	Date effective	Mandate details (including specific bill if applicable)
N/A	N/A	N/A

**Key References:**

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This policy does not apply to health plans or member categories that do not have pharmacy benefits, nor does it apply to Medicare. Note that market specific restrictions or transition-of-care benefit limitations may apply.