

Clinical Policy: Factor IX (Human, Recombinant)

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Description

The following Factor IX products require prior authorization: AlphaNine SD[®], Alprolix[®], BeneFIX[®], Idelvion[®], Ixinity[®], Mononine[®], Rixubis[®].

FDA Approved Indication(s)

AlphaNine SD and Mononine are indicated for the prevention and control of bleeding in patients with Factor IX deficiency due to hemophilia B, also known as Christmas disease.

Limitation(s) of use:

- AlphaNine SD and Mononine contain low, non-therapeutic levels of Factors II, VII, and X, and, therefore, are not indicated for the treatment of Factor II, VII or X deficiencies.
- These products are also not indicated for the reversal of coumarin anticoagulant-induced hemorrhage, nor in the treatment of hemophilia A patients with inhibitors to Factor VIII.
- Mononine is also not indicated in a hemorrhagic state caused by hepatitis-induced lack of production of liver dependent coagulation factors.

Alprolix, Idelvion, and Rixubis are indicated in adults and children with hemophilia B (congenital Factor IX deficiency) for:

- On-demand treatment and control of bleeding episodes;
- Perioperative management of bleeding;
- Routine prophylaxis to reduce the frequency of bleeding episodes.

Limitation(s) of use:

- Alprolix, Idelvion, and Rixubis are not indicated for induction of immune tolerance in patients with hemophilia B.

BeneFIX is indicated in:

- Adult and pediatric patients with hemophilia B (congenital factor IX deficiency or Christmas disease) for
 - Control and prevention of bleeding episodes;
 - Perioperative management.

Limitation(s) of use: BeneFIX is NOT indicated for:

- Treatment of other factor deficiencies (e.g., factors II, VII, VIII, and X);
- Treatment of hemophilia A patients with inhibitors to factor VIII;
- Reversal of coumarin-induced anticoagulation;
- Treatment of bleeding due to low levels of liver-dependent coagulation factors.

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Ixinity is indicated in:

- Adults and children ≥ 12 years of age with hemophilia B for:
 - Control and prevention of bleeding episodes;
 - Perioperative management.

Limitation(s) of use:

- Ixinity is not indicated for induction of immune tolerance in patients with hemophilia B.

Policy/Criteria

Provider must submit documentation (including such as office chart notes, lab results or other clinical information) supporting that member has met all approval criteria.

It is the policy of health plans affiliated with Centene Corporation[®] that AlphaNine SD, Alprolix, BeneFIX, Idelvion, Ixinity, Mononine, Rixubis are **medically necessary** when the following criteria are met:

I. Initial Approval Criteria

A. Congenital Hemophilia (must meet all):

1. Diagnosis of congenital hemophilia B (factor IX deficiency);
2. Prescribed by or in consultation with a hematologist;
3. If Ixinity is prescribed, age ≥ 12 years;
4. If AlphaNine is prescribed, age ≥ 17 years;
5. Request is for any of the following:
 - a. Control and prevention of bleeding episodes;
 - b. Perioperative management;
 - c. Routine prophylaxis to prevent or reduce the frequency of bleeding episodes (Alprolix, Idelvion, or Rixubis only);
6. Dose does not exceed the FDA approved maximum recommended dose for the relevant indication.

**Approval duration: 3 months (bleeding episodes/surgery)
6 months (routine prophylaxis)**

B. Other diagnoses/indications

1. Refer to CP.PMN.53 if diagnosis is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized).

II. Continued Therapy

A. Congenital Hemophilia B (must meet all):

1. Currently receiving medication via Centene benefit or member has previously met initial approval criteria;
2. Member is responding positively to therapy;
3. If request is for a dose increase, new dose does not exceed the FDA approved maximum recommended dose for the relevant indication.

**Approval duration: 3 months (bleeding episodes/surgery)
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B. Other diagnoses/indications (must meet 1 or 2):

1. Currently receiving medication via Centene benefit and documentation supports positive response to therapy.

Approval duration: Duration of request or 6 months (whichever is less); or

2. Refer to CP.PMN.53 if diagnosis is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized).

III. Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized:

- A. Non-FDA approved indications, which are not addressed in this policy, unless there is sufficient documentation of efficacy and safety according to the off label use policy – CP.PMN.53 or evidence of coverage documents.

IV. Appendices/General Information

Appendix A: Abbreviation/Acronym Key

FDA: Food and Drug Administration

Appendix B: Therapeutic Alternatives

Not applicable

V. Dosage and Administration

Drug Name	Indication	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose
Factor IX, human (AlphaNine SD)	Control and prevention of bleeding episodes	Minor episodes: 20-30 IU/kg IV twice daily Moderate episodes: 25-50 IU/kg IV twice daily Major episodes: 30-50 IU/kg IV twice daily for at least 3-5 days, followed by 20 IU/kg IV twice daily Surgery: 50-100 IU/kg IV twice daily before surgery, followed by the same regimen for 7-10 days thereafter	Bleeding episodes: 100 IU/kg/day Surgery: 200 IU/kg/day
Factor IX, human (Mononine)	Control and prevention of bleeding episodes	Minor episodes: 20-30 IU/kg IV every 24 hours Major trauma or surgery: 75 IU/kg IV every 18-30 hours	Minor episodes: 30 IU/kg/day Major trauma or surgery: 750 IU/kg/18 hours

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Drug Name	Indication	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose
Factor IX, recombinant (Alprolix)	Control and prevention of bleeding episode	<p>Minor and moderate episodes: 30-60 IU/dL/kg IV every 48 hours if there is further evidence of bleeding after the first dose</p> <p>Major episodes: 80-100 IU/dL/kg IV initially; consider a repeat dose after 6-10 hours and then every 24 hours for the first 3 days. May extend to dosing every 48 hours or longer after the first 3 days</p> <p>Minor surgery: 50-80 IU/dL/kg IV initially followed by every 24-48 hours until bleeding stops and healing is achieved</p> <p>Major surgery: 60-80 IU/dL/kg IV initially; consider a repeat dose after 6-10 hours and then every 24 hours for the first 3 days. May extend to dosing every 48 hours or longer after the first 3 days</p>	<p>Bleeding episodes: 100 IU/dL/kg/dose</p> <p>Surgery: 80 IU/dL/kg/dose</p>
Factor IX, recombinant (Alprolix)	Routine prophylaxis	50 IU/dL/kg IV once weekly or 100 IU/dL/kg IV once every 10 days	100 IU/dL/kg/dose
Factor IX, recombinant (BeneFIX)	Control and prevention of bleeding episodes	<p>Minor episodes: 20-30 IU/dL/kg IV every 12-24 hours</p> <p>Moderate episodes: 25-50 IU/dL/kg IV every 12-24 hours</p> <p>Major episodes: 50-100 IU/dL/kg IV every 12-24 hours</p> <p>Surgery: 50-100 IU/dL/kg IV every 12-24 hours</p>	200 IU/dL/kg/day
Factor IX, recombinant (Idelvion)	Control and prevention of bleeding episodes	Minor and moderate episodes: 30-60 IU/dL/kg IV every 48-72 hours	Bleeding episodes: 100 IU/dL/kg/48 hours

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Drug Name	Indication	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose
		<p>Major episodes: 60-100 IU/dL/kg IV every 48-72 hours until bleeding stops and healing is achieved; maintenance dose is weekly</p> <p>Minor surgery: 50-80 IU/dL/kg IV every 48-72 hours until healing is achieved</p> <p>Major surgery: 60-80 IU/dL/kg IV every 48-72 hours until bleeding stops and healing is achieved; maintenance dose is 1-2 times per week</p>	<p>Surgery: 80 IU/dL/kg/48 hours</p>
Factor IX, recombinant (Idelvion)	Routine prophylaxis	<p>≥ 12 years of age: 25-40 IU/dL/kg IV every 7 days followed by 50-75 IU/dL/kg IV every 14 days once well-controlled</p> <p>< 12 years of age: 40-55 IU/dL/kg IV every 7 days</p>	55 IU/dL/kg/week
Factor IX, recombinant (Ixinity)	Control and prevention of bleeding episodes	<p>Minor episodes: 30-60 IU/dL/kg IV every 24 hours</p> <p>Moderate episodes: 40-60 IU/dL/kg IV every 24 hours</p> <p>Major episodes: 60-100 IU/dL/kg IV every 12-24 hours</p> <p>Minor surgery: 50-80 IU/dL/kg IV pre-operatively followed by 30-80 IU/dL/kg every 24 hours</p> <p>Major surgery: 60-80 IU/dL/kg IV pre-operatively followed by 40-60 IU/dL/kg IV every 8-24 hours on Days 1-3, then 30-50 IU/dL/kg IV every 8-24 hours for Days 4-6, then 20-40 IU/dL/kg IV every 8-24 hours on Days 7-14</p>	<p>Bleeding episodes: 102 IU/dL/kg/dose</p> <p>Surgery: 81.6 IU/dL/kg/dose</p>

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Drug Name	Indication	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose
Factor IX, recombinant (Rixubis)	Control and prevention of bleeding episodes	<p>Minor episodes: 20-30 IU/dL/kg IV every 12-24 hours until healing is achieved</p> <p>Moderate episodes: 25-50 IU/dL/kg IV every 12-24 hours until bleeding stops and healing is achieved</p> <p>Major episodes: 50-100 IU/dL/kg IV every 12-24 hours until bleeding stops and healing is achieved</p> <p>Minor surgery: 30-60 IU/dL/kg IV every 24 hours until healing is achieved</p> <p>Major surgery: 80-100 IU/dL/kg IV every 8-24 hours until bleeding stops and healing is achieved</p>	100 IU/dL/kg/dose
Factor IX, recombinant (Rixubis)	Routine prophylaxis	<p>≥ 12 years of age: 40-60 IU/dL/kg IV twice weekly</p> <p>< 12 years of age: 60-80 IU/dL/kg IV twice weekly</p>	80 IU/dL/kg/dose

VI. Product Availability

Drug Name	Availability
Factor IX, human (AlphaNine SD)	Vial: 500, 1000, 1500 IU
Factor IX, human (Mononine)	Vial: 500, 1000 IU
Factor IX, recombinant (Alprolix)	Vial: 250, 500, 1000, 2000, 3000, 4000 IU
Factor IX, recombinant (BeneFIX)	Vial: 250, 500, 1000, 2000, 3000 IU
Factor IX, recombinant (Idelvion)	Vial: 250, 500, 1000, 2000 IU
Factor IX, recombinant (Ixinity)	Vial: 250, 500, 1000, 1500, 2000, 3000 IU
Factor IX, recombinant (Rixubis)	Vial: 250, 500, 1000, 2000, 3000 IU

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Coding Implications

Codes referenced in this clinical policy are for informational purposes only. Inclusion or exclusion of any codes does not guarantee coverage. Providers should reference the most up-to-date sources of professional coding guidance prior to the submission of claims for reimbursement of covered services.

HCPCS Codes	Description
J7194	Factor IX complex, per IU
J7195	Injection, factor IX (antihemophilic factor, recombinant) per IU, not otherwise specified
J7200	Injection, factor IX, (antihemophilic factor, recombinant), Rixubis, per IU
J7201	Injection, factor IX, FC fusion protein (recombinant), per IU
J7202	Injection, factor IX, albumin fusion protein, (recombinant), Idelvion, per IU.

Reviews, Revisions, and Approvals	Date	P&T Approval Date
<p>Policy split from CP.PHAR.12.Blood Factors and converted to new template. Removed requests for documentation.</p> <p>Added age requirement per PI for Ixinity.</p> <p>Under initial criteria, removed requirement for “history of 2 or more joint bleeds.” Delineated Alprolix and Rixubis for prophylaxis per Pis.</p> <p>Approval period for non-prophylactic use is edited to provide 3 months on initial approval and one 3-month re-auth; approval period for prophylactic use is retained at 6 months initial/6 months continuing therapy. Removed</p>	04.01.16	05.16

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denial based on inhibitor titer of ≥ 5 BU/mL as Pis do not specify a limit. Reviewed by specialist.		
Safety information removed. Wording for uses of all blood factor products made consistent across all policies. Added indication for Alprolix and Rixubis for routine prophylaxis. Approval periods across all blood factor policies made consistent. Efficacy statement added to renewal criteria. Hemophilias are specified as “congenital” versus “acquired” across blood factor policies where indicated. Reviewed by specialist-hematology/internal medicine.	04.01.17	05.17
1Q18 annual review: - Converted to new template - Added Idelvion to the policy under the same coverage criteria as the other recombinant factor IX agents. - Specified routine prophylaxis indication is only for certain agents, per package labeling for those agents. - Added age limit for AlphaNine per package labeling - References reviewed and updated.	11.28.17	02.18

Important Reminder

This clinical policy has been developed by appropriately experienced and licensed health care professionals based on a review and consideration of currently available generally accepted standards of medical practice; peer-reviewed medical literature; government agency/program approval status; evidence-based guidelines and positions of leading national health professional organizations; views of physicians practicing in relevant clinical areas affected by this clinical policy; and other available clinical information. The Health Plan makes no representations and accepts no liability with respect to the content of any external information used or relied upon in developing this clinical policy. This clinical policy is consistent with standards of medical practice current at the time that this clinical policy was approved. “Health Plan” means a health plan that has adopted this clinical policy and that is operated or administered, in whole or in part, by Centene Management Company, LLC, or any of such health plan’s affiliates, as applicable.

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