

**Clinical Policy: Factor XIII A-Subunit, Recombinant (Tretten)**

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**Description**

Factor XIII A-subunit, recombinant (Tretten<sup>®</sup>) is a recombinant factor XIII concentrate.

**FDA Approved Indication(s)**

Tretten is a recombinant factor XIII A-subunit concentrate/intravenous formulation indicated for routine prophylaxis for bleeding in patients with congenital factor XIII A-subunit deficiency.

Limitation(s) of use: Tretten is not for use in patients with congenital factor XIII B-subunit deficiency.

**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<sup>®</sup> that Tretten is **medically necessary** when the following criteria are met:

**I. Initial Approval Criteria**

**A. Congenital Factor XIII A-Subunit Deficiency (must meet all):**

1. Diagnosis of congenital factor XIII A-subunit deficiency;
2. Prescribed by or in consultation with a hematologist;
3. Request is for routine prophylaxis to prevent or reduce the frequency of bleeding episodes.

**Approval duration: 6 months**

**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 Factor XIII A-Subunit Deficiency (must meet all):**

1. Currently receiving medication via Centene benefit or member has previously met all initial approval criteria;
2. Member is responding positively to therapy.

**Approval duration: 6 months**

**B. Other diagnoses/indications (must meet 1 or 2):**

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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**

Indication	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose
Routine bleeding prophylaxis	35 IU/kg IV once monthly to achieve a target trough level of Factor XIII activity $\geq$ 10%.  Consider dose adjustment if adequate coverage is not achieved with the 35 IU/kg dose.	N/A

**VI. Product Availability**

Vial: nominally 2500 IU/vial (2000 – 3125 IU)

**VII. References**

1. Tretten Prescribing Information. Plainsboro, NJ: Novo Nordisk; November 2016. Available at <http://www.novo-pi.com/tretten.pdf>. Accessed November 28, 2017.
2. Srivastava A, Brewer AK, Mauser-Bunschoten EP, et al. Guidelines for the management of hemophilia. *Haemophilia*. Jan 2013; 19(1): e1-47.
3. Medical and Scientific Advisory Council (MASAC) of the National Hemophilia Foundation (NHF): Database of treatment guidelines. Available at <https://www.hemophilia.org/Researchers-Healthcare-Providers/Medical-and-Scientific-Advisory-Council-MASAC/MASAC-Recommendations>. Accessed November 28, 2017.

**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.

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HCPCS Codes	Description
J7181	Injection, factor XIII A-subunit, (recombinant), per IU

Reviews, Revisions, and Approvals	Date	P&T Approval Date
Policy split from CP.PHAR.12 Blood Factors and converted to new template. Diagnosis is edited to XIII A-Subunit deficiency per PI; use is edited per PI to prophylactic use; approval period is edited to 6 months/6 months. Reviewed by specialist.	04.01.16	05.16
Safety information removed. Wording for uses, approval duration, and use of “congenital” versus “acquired” for describing hemophilias, made consistent across all blood factor policies. Efficacy statement added to renewal criteria. Reviewed by specialist- hematology/internal medicine.	04.01.17	05.17
1Q18 annual review: - No significant changes - Converted to new template - Referenced 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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