

Navigating Prior Authorizations

A prior authorization (PA) may be required by the payer for certain treatments

- When prescribing new treatment for your patient, determine whether the payer requires a PA
- It is important to be as thorough and accurate as possible in order to get approval in a timely manner
- In some cases, the payer may require additional documentation to explain the product of choice

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Requesting a Prior Authorization

Common IMBRUVICA® prior authorization (PA) criteria for CLL* may include questions† like:

- Does the patient have a confirmed diagnosis of CLL or an approved indication for IMBRUVICA®?
 - Does the patient have 17p deletion?
- Is the patient 18 years of age or older?
- Is the prescribing physician a specialized oncologist, gastroenterologist, hematologist, or transplant specialist?
- Is the patient pregnant?
- Has the patient been assessed for liver function or risk of tumor lysis syndrome?

For continuation of therapy approval:

- Does the patient show evidence of progressive disease or unacceptable levels of blood toxicity while on therapy?

For some indications, patients may be required to have received at least 1 prior therapy for their diagnosis before using IMBRUVICA®.

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CLL, chronic lymphocytic leukemia.

*For additional indications, please visit [IMBRUVICAhcp.com](https://www.imbruvicahcp.com) for more information.

† This is not a complete list of questions. Some payers may require additional documentation to support prior authorization criteria.

This information is presented for informational purposes only and is not intended to provide reimbursement or legal advice. Providers are encouraged to contact third-party payers for specific information about their coverage policies.

WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS¹

Hemorrhage; infections; cardiac arrhythmias, cardiac failure, and sudden death; hypertension; cytopenias; second primary malignancies; tumor lysis syndrome; and embryo-fetal toxicity.

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Requesting a Prior Authorization (cont'd)

Checklist for requesting a prior authorization (PA)

Follow along with this list to make sure you have everything you need before getting started with the fulfillment process.

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|  Before beginning the process, confirm that the patient's insurance has not changed since the last visit |  Complete all sections of the PA form and any supplemental material, including all required forms |
|  Confirm with the payer what information or form is necessary. Some payers require: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Payer-specific forms• Patient medical records with appropriate chart notes Note: most plans should not require additional clinical tests or records |  Determine if the information can be phoned in, faxed, emailed, or submitted through the payer's website |
|  Carefully review each diagnostic question, as they may vary between payers |  Update your patient on the PA request, in case they receive a call or mail from their insurance company |

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Requesting a Prior Authorization (cont'd)

Tips to track the prior authorization (PA) process

Follow these steps to make sure your patient has timely access to their medication.



Log the date and time of the call, who you spoke with, and their contact information.



Keep a copy of everything submitted for the PA.



Log any calls your facility makes about the request. Note the name of the person you spoke with.



Follow up with the payer if your facility does not receive notification of the decision in a timely manner.



Record the PA approval code and date in the patient's medical record. Also note the expiration date of the PA.

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Indications and Important Safety Information¹

SELECT INDICATIONS

IMBRUVICA® (ibrutinib) is a kinase inhibitor indicated for the treatment of adult patients with:

- Chronic lymphocytic leukemia (CLL)/Small lymphocytic lymphoma (SLL).
- CLL/SLL with 17p deletion.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

Hemorrhage: Fatal bleeding events have occurred in patients who received IMBRUVICA®. Major hemorrhage (≥ Grade 3, serious, or any central nervous system events; e.g., intracranial hemorrhage [including subdural hematoma], gastrointestinal bleeding, hematuria, and post procedural hemorrhage) occurred in 4.2% of patients, with fatalities occurring in 0.4% of 2,838 patients who received IMBRUVICA® in 27 clinical trials. Bleeding events of any grade including bruising and petechiae occurred in 39%, and excluding bruising and petechiae occurred in 23% of patients who received IMBRUVICA®, respectively.

The mechanism for the bleeding events is not well understood.

Use of either anticoagulant or antiplatelet agents concomitantly with IMBRUVICA® increases the risk of major hemorrhage. Across clinical trials, 3.1% of 2,838 patients who received IMBRUVICA® without antiplatelet or anticoagulant therapy experienced major hemorrhage. The addition of antiplatelet therapy with or without anticoagulant therapy increased this percentage to 4.4%, and the addition of anticoagulant therapy with or without antiplatelet therapy increased this percentage to 6.1%. Consider the risks and benefits of anticoagulant or antiplatelet therapy when co-administered with IMBRUVICA®. Monitor for signs and symptoms of bleeding.

Consider the benefit-risk of withholding IMBRUVICA® for at least 3 to 7 days pre- and post-surgery depending upon the type of surgery and the risk of bleeding.

Infections: Fatal and non-fatal infections (including bacterial, viral, or fungal) have occurred with IMBRUVICA® therapy. Grade 3 or greater

infections occurred in 21% of 1,476 patients who received IMBRUVICA® in clinical trials. Cases of progressive multifocal leukoencephalopathy (PML) and *Pneumocystis jirovecii* pneumonia (PJP) have occurred in patients treated with IMBRUVICA®. Consider prophylaxis according to standard of care in patients who are at increased risk for opportunistic infections. Monitor and evaluate patients for fever and infections and treat appropriately.

Cardiac Arrhythmias, Cardiac Failure, and Sudden Death: Fatal and serious cardiac arrhythmias and cardiac failure have occurred with IMBRUVICA®. Deaths due to cardiac causes or sudden deaths occurred in 1% of 4,896 patients who received IMBRUVICA® in clinical trials, including in patients who received IMBRUVICA® in unapproved monotherapy or combination regimens. These adverse reactions occurred in patients with and without preexisting hypertension or cardiac comorbidities. Patients with cardiac comorbidities may be at greater risk of these events.

Grade 3 or greater ventricular tachyarrhythmias were reported in 0.2%, Grade 3 or greater atrial fibrillation and atrial flutter were reported in 3.7%, and Grade 3 or greater cardiac failure was reported in 1.3% of 4,896 patients who received IMBRUVICA® in clinical trials, including in patients who received IMBRUVICA® in unapproved monotherapy or combination regimens. These events have occurred particularly in patients with cardiac risk factors including hypertension and diabetes mellitus, a previous history of cardiac arrhythmias, and in patients with acute infections.

Evaluate cardiac history and function at baseline, and monitor patients for cardiac arrhythmias and cardiac function. Obtain further evaluation (e.g., ECG, echocardiogram) as indicated for patients who develop symptoms of arrhythmia (e.g., palpitations, lightheadedness, syncope, chest pain), new onset dyspnea, or other cardiovascular concerns. Manage cardiac arrhythmias and cardiac failure appropriately, follow dose modification guidelines, and consider the risks and benefits of continued IMBRUVICA® treatment.

Please see additional Important Safety Information continued on page 6, and click here for [full Prescribing Information](#).

Important Safety Information (cont'd)¹

Hypertension: Hypertension occurred in 19% of 1,476 patients who received IMBRUVICA® in clinical trials. Grade 3 or greater hypertension occurred in 8% of patients. Based on data from 1,124 of these patients, the median time to onset was 5.9 months (range, 0.03 to 24 months). Monitor blood pressure in patients treated with IMBRUVICA®, initiate or adjust anti-hypertensive medication throughout treatment with IMBRUVICA® as appropriate, and follow dosage modification guidelines for Grade 3 or higher hypertension.

Cytopenias: In 645 patients with B-cell malignancies who received IMBRUVICA® as a single agent, grade 3 or 4 neutropenia occurred in 23% of patients, grade 3 or 4 thrombocytopenia in 8% and grade 3 or 4 anemia in 2.8%, based on laboratory measurements. Monitor complete blood counts monthly.

Second Primary Malignancies: Other malignancies (10%), including non-skin carcinomas (3.9%), occurred among the 1,476 patients who received IMBRUVICA® in clinical trials. The most frequent second primary malignancy was non-melanoma skin cancer (6%).

Tumor Lysis Syndrome: Tumor lysis syndrome has been infrequently reported with IMBRUVICA®. Assess the baseline risk (e.g., high tumor burden) and take appropriate precautions. Monitor patients closely and treat as appropriate.

Embryo-Fetal Toxicity: Based on findings in animals, IMBRUVICA® can cause fetal harm when administered to a pregnant woman. Advise pregnant women of the potential risk to a fetus. Advise females of reproductive potential to use effective contraception during treatment with IMBRUVICA® and for 1 month after the last dose. Advise males with female partners of reproductive potential to use effective contraception during the same time period.

ADVERSE REACTIONS

The most common adverse reactions (≥30%) in patients with B-cell malignancies (MCL, CLL/SLL, WM and MZL) were thrombocytopenia (54.5%)*, diarrhea (43.8%), fatigue (39.1%), musculoskeletal pain (38.8%), neutropenia (38.6%)*, rash (35.8%), anemia (35.0%)*, and bruising (32.0%).

The most common Grade ≥ 3 adverse reactions (≥5%) in patients with B-cell malignancies (MCL, CLL/SLL, WM and MZL) were neutropenia (20.7%)*, thrombocytopenia (13.6%)*, pneumonia (8.2%), and hypertension (8.0%).

Approximately 9% (CLL/SLL), 14% (MCL), 14% (WM) and 10% (MZL) of patients had a dose reduction due to adverse reactions. Approximately 4-10% (CLL/SLL), 9% (MCL), and 7% (WM [5%] and MZL [13%]) of patients discontinued due to adverse reactions.

*Treatment-emergent decreases (all grades) were based on laboratory measurements.

DRUG INTERACTIONS

CYP3A Inhibitors: Co-administration of IMBRUVICA® with strong or moderate CYP3A inhibitors may increase ibrutinib plasma concentrations. Increased ibrutinib concentrations may increase the risk of drug-related toxicity. Dose modifications of IMBRUVICA® are recommended when used concomitantly with posaconazole, voriconazole, and moderate CYP3A inhibitors. Avoid concomitant use of other strong CYP3A inhibitors. Interrupt IMBRUVICA® if strong inhibitors are used short-term (e.g., for ≤ 7 days). Avoid grapefruit and Seville oranges during IMBRUVICA® treatment, as these contain strong or moderate inhibitors of CYP3A. See dose modification guidelines in USPI sections 2.3 and 7.1.

CYP3A Inducers: Avoid coadministration with strong CYP3A inducers.

SPECIFIC POPULATIONS

Hepatic Impairment (based on Child-Pugh criteria): Avoid use of IMBRUVICA® in patients with severe hepatic impairment. In patients with mild or moderate impairment, reduce recommended IMBRUVICA® dose and monitor more frequently for adverse reactions of IMBRUVICA®.

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Reference: 1. IMBRUVICA® (ibrutinib) Prescribing Information.

