

## **Clinical Policy: Fibrinogen Concentrate [Human] (Fibryga, RiaSTAP)**

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### **Description**

The following are fibrinogen (coagulation factor I) concentrates requiring prior authorization: fibrinogen concentrate [human] (Fibryga<sup>®</sup> and RiaSTAP<sup>®</sup>).

### **FDA Approved Indication(s)**

Fibryga and RiaSTAP are indicated for the treatment of acute bleeding episodes in adults and children with congenital fibrinogen deficiency, including afibrinogenemia and hypofibrinogenemia.

Limitation(s) of use: Fibryga and RiaSTAP are not indicated for dysfibrinogenemia.

### **Policy/Criteria**

*Provider must submit documentation (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 Fibryga and RiaSTAP are **medically necessary** when the following criteria are met:

#### **I. Initial Approval Criteria**

##### **A. Congenital Fibrinogen Deficiency (must meet all):**

1. Diagnosis of congenital fibrinogen deficiency, including afibrinogenemia or hypofibrinogenemia;
2. Confirmation that the member does not have dysfibrinogenemia;
3. Prescribed by or in consultation with a hematologist;
4. Request is for treatment of acute bleeding episodes;
5. For members who have not previously used fibrinogen concentrate (samples do not count), documentation of both of the following (a and b):
  - a. Plasma functional and immunoreactive fibrinogen levels are < 150 mg/dL;
  - b. Prolonged prothrombin time and activated partial thromboplastin time as determined by laboratory-specific reference values;
6. Dose does not exceed the FDA-approved maximum recommended dose for the relevant indication.

**Approval duration: 3 months**

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

1. If this drug has recently (within the last 6 months) undergone a label change (e.g., newly approved indication, age expansion, new dosing regimen) that is not yet reflected in this policy, refer to one of the following policies (a or b):
  - a. For drugs on the formulary (commercial, health insurance marketplace) or PDL (Medicaid), the no coverage criteria policy for the relevant line of business: CP.CPA.190 for commercial, HIM.PA.33 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.255 for Medicaid; or
  - b. For drugs NOT on the formulary (commercial, health insurance marketplace) or PDL (Medicaid), the non-formulary policy for the relevant line of business: CP.CPA.190 for commercial, HIM.PA.103 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.16 for Medicaid; or
2. If the requested use (e.g., diagnosis, age, dosing regimen) is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized) AND criterion 1 above does not apply, refer to the off-label use policy for the relevant line of business: CP.CPA.09 for commercial, HIM.PA.154 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.53 for Medicaid.

**II. Continued Therapy**

**A. Congenital Fibrinogen Deficiency (must meet all):**

1. Member meets one of the following (a or b):
  - a. Currently receiving medication via Centene benefit or member has previously met initial approval criteria;
  - b. Member is currently receiving medication and is enrolled in a state and product with continuity of care regulations (*refer to state specific addendums for CC.PHARM.03A and CC.PHARM.03B*);
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**

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

1. If this drug has recently (within the last 6 months) undergone a label change (e.g., newly approved indication, age expansion, new dosing regimen) that is not yet reflected in this policy, refer to one of the following policies (a or b):
  - a. For drugs on the formulary (commercial, health insurance marketplace) or PDL (Medicaid), the no coverage criteria policy for the relevant line of business: CP.CPA.190 for commercial, HIM.PA.33 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.255 for Medicaid; or
  - b. For drugs NOT on the formulary (commercial, health insurance marketplace) or PDL (Medicaid), the non-formulary policy for the relevant line of business: CP.CPA.190 for commercial, HIM.PA.103 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.16 for Medicaid; or
2. If the requested use (e.g., diagnosis, age, dosing regimen) is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized) AND criterion 1 above does not apply, refer to the off-label use policy for the relevant line

of business: CP.CPA.09 for commercial, HIM.PA.154 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.53 for Medicaid.

**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 policies – CP.CPA.09 for commercial, HIM.PA.154 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.53 for Medicaid, or evidence of coverage documents;
- B. Dysfibrinogenemia.

**IV. Appendices/General Information**

*Appendix A: Abbreviation/Acronym Key*

FDA: Food and Drug Administration

*Appendix B: Therapeutic Alternatives*

Not applicable

*Appendix C: Contraindications/Boxed Warnings*

- Contraindication(s): individuals who have manifested severe immediate hypersensitivity reactions, including anaphylaxis, to Fibryga or its components (sodium citrate dihydrate; glycine; L-arginine hydrochloride); known anaphylactic or severe systemic reactions to human plasma-derived products (RiaSTAP)
- Boxed warning(s): none reported

**V. Dosage and Administration**

<b>Drug Name</b>	<b>Dosing Regimen</b>	<b>Maximum Dose</b>
Fibrinogen concentrate (Fibryga)	<p>The recommended target fibrinogen plasma level is 100 mg/dL for minor bleeding and 150 mg/dL for major bleeding.</p> <p><u>When baseline fibrinogen level is known</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Age ≥ 12 years: [Target fibrinogen level (mg/dL) – measured fibrinogen level (mg/dL)]/1.8 (mg/dL per mg/kg body weight) by IV infusion</li> <li>• Age &lt; 12 years: [Target fibrinogen level (mg/dL) – measured fibrinogen level (mg/dL)]/1.4 (mg/dL per mg/kg body weight) by IV infusion</li> </ul> <p><u>When baseline fibrinogen level is not known</u>                      70 mg/kg/dose by IV infusion</p>	Individualized based on the extent of bleeding, laboratory values, and the clinical condition of the patient
Fibrinogen concentrate (RiaSTAP)	<p><u>When baseline fibrinogen level is known</u>                      [Target fibrinogen level (mg/dL) – measured fibrinogen level (mg/dL)]/1.7 (mg/dL per mg/kg body weight) by IV infusion</p>	Individualized based on the extent of bleeding, laboratory values, and the clinical condition of the patient

Drug Name	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose
	<u>When baseline fibrinogen level is not known</u> 70 mg/kg/dose by IV infusion	

**VI. Product Availability**

Drug Name	Availability
Fibrinogen concentrate (Fibryga)	Lyophilized powder for reconstitution in a single-dose bottle: approximately 1 gram
Fibrinogen concentrate (RiaSTAP)	Lyophilized powder for reconstitution in a single-dose vial: 900-1,300 mg

**VII. References**

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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
J7177	Injection, human fibrinogen concentrate (Fibryga), 1 mg
J7178	Injection, human fibrinogen concentrate, not otherwise specified, 1 mg

Reviews, Revisions, and Approvals	Date	P&T Approval Date
Policy created	02.03.21	05.21
2Q 2022 annual review: updated RiaSTAP indication to align with FDA-approved language clarifying use in pediatric patients; clarified requirement for documentation of fibrinogen level and prolonged prothrombin time and activated partial thromboplastin time only applies to new starts on Fibryga/Riastap therapy; references reviewed and updated.	03.04.22	05.22
Template changes applied to other diagnoses/indications and continued therapy section.	10.04.22	

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2Q 2023 annual review: no significant changes; references reviewed and updated.	02.04.23	05.23

**Important Reminder**

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