

Clinical Policy: Mitomycin for Pyelocalyceal Solution (Jelmyto)

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Line of Business: Medicaid

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****Please note: This policy is for medical benefit****

Description

Mitomycin for pyelocalyceal solution (Jelmyto[®]) is an alkylating drug.

FDA Approved Indication(s)

Jelmyto is indicated for the treatment of adult patients with low-grade upper tract urothelial cancer (LG-UTUC).

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 Louisiana Healthcare Connections[®] that Jelmyto is **medically necessary** when the following criteria are met:

I. Initial Approval Criteria

A. Low-Grade Upper Tract Urothelial Cancer (must meet all):

1. Newly diagnosed or recurrent LG-UTUC that is both (a and b):
 - a. Above the ureteropelvic junction;
 - b. Non-metastatic;
2. Prescribed by or in consultation with an oncologist or urologist;
3. Age \geq 18 years;
4. Lesion(s) measure \leq 15 mm;
5. For the affected kidney(s), member does not have a recent history (with the last year) of carcinoma in situ in the urinary tract, invasive urothelial carcinoma, or high-grade papillary urothelial carcinoma;
6. Member is not a candidate for or is not seeking nephroureterectomy as definitive treatment;
7. One of the following (a or b):
 - a. Member has had complete or near complete endoscopic resection or ablation;
 - b. Member is not a candidate for endoscopic/surgical intervention;
8. Request meets one of the following (a or b):*
 - a. Dose does not exceed 60 mg once weekly for 6 instillations per kidney;
 - b. Dose is supported by practice guidelines or peer-reviewed literature for the relevant off-label use (*prescriber must submit supporting evidence*).

**Prescribed regimen must be FDA-approved or recommended by NCCN*

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Approval duration: 3 months (6 instillations per kidney)

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 LA.PMN.255
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: LA.PMN.53 for Medicaid.

II. Continued Therapy

A. Low-Grade Upper Tract Urothelial Cancer (must meet all):

1. Currently receiving medication via Louisiana Healthcare Connections benefit, or documentation supports that member is currently receiving Jelmyto for a covered indication and has received this medication for at least 30 days;
2. If member has received 6 instillations, complete response (CR) has been achieved at 3 months after initiation of therapy as evidenced by complete absence of tumor lesions on urine cytology and ureteroscopy;
3. Member has not received more than 17 instillations;
4. If request is for a dose increase, request meets one of the following (a, b, or c):*
 - a. If member has completed < 6 weekly instillations: New dose does not exceed 60 mg once weekly for up to 6 instillations per kidney;
 - b. If member has completed ≥ 6 weekly instillations: New dose does not exceed 60 mg once monthly for up to 11 instillations per kidney;
 - c. New dose is supported by practice guidelines or peer-reviewed literature for the relevant off-label use (*prescriber must submit supporting evidence*).

**Prescribed regimen must be FDA-approved or recommended by NCCN*

Approval duration: 12 months (up to 17 total instillations per kidney)

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 LA.PMN.255
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: LA.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 – LA.PMN.53 for Medicaid, or evidence of coverage documents.**

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IV. Appendices/General Information

Appendix A: Abbreviation/Acronym Key

FDA: Food and Drug Administration

LG-UTUC: low-grade upper tract urothelial cancer

NCCN: National Comprehensive Cancer Network

Appendix B: Therapeutic Alternatives

Not applicable

Appendix C: Contraindications/Boxed Warnings

- Contraindication(s): perforation of the bladder or upper urinary tract
- Boxed warning(s): none reported

Appendix D: General Information

- NCCN Compendium currently recommend Jelmyto with a Category 2A recommendation for primary treatment for a non-metastatic, residual, low-grade, low volume (5-15 mm), solitary tumor in the upper urinary tract for a patient who is not a candidate for or not seeking nephroureterectomy as a definitive treatment. Complete or near complete endoscopic resection or ablation is recommended prior to mitomycin ureteral gel application.

V. Dosage and Administration

Indication	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose
LG-UTUC	<p>Jelmyto is for pyelocalyceal use only and not for intravenous use, topical use, or oral administration.</p> <p>The dose of Jelmyto to be instilled is 4 mg/mL via ureteral catheter or nephrostomy tube, with total instillation volume based on volumetric measurements using pyelography, not to exceed 15 mL (60 mg of mitomycin).</p> <p>Instill Jelmyto once weekly for six weeks. For patients with a complete response 3 months after Jelmyto initiation, Jelmyto instillations may be administered once a month for a maximum of 11 additional instillations.</p>	60 mg; 17 instillations

VI. Product Availability

For pyelocalyceal solution – carton containing the following:

- Two 40 mg (each) single-dose vials of mitomycin for pyelocalyceal solution
- One vial of 20 mL sterile hydrogel for reconstitution

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
J9281	Mitomycin pyelocalyceal instillation, 1 mg

Reviews, Revisions, and Approvals	Date	LDH Approval Date
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Annual review: added criteria that LG-UTUC be non-metastatic; added requirement for endoscopic resection or ablation if member is a candidate per NCCN; references reviewed and updated	03.15.24	

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