

# System P&T Formulary Management 8/24/2022

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I. System Formulary NEW REQUESTS						
Service Line/Site	Medication	Summary	MUSE Review/ Recommendation	Committee Review, Recommendation/ Endorsement	System P&T (Formulary) Decision on Committee Recommendation/Endorsement	Local P&T Decision on Recommendation
Outpatient infusion, Oncology	<b>Opdualag (Nivolumab/relatlimab-rmbw)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>240 mg nivolumab and 80 mg relatlimab per 20 mL single-dose vial</li> <li>IV infusion</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requested by NAMED PROVIDER- Hematology/Oncology</li> <li>FDA-approved for treatment of adult and pediatric patients 12 years of age or older with unresectable or metastatic melanoma</li> <li>A first-in-class, fixed-dose immune checkpoint inhibitor that combines Opdivo (nivolumab), a programmed death 1 (PD-1)-blocking antibody, and relatlimab, a lymphocyte-activation gene 3 (LAG-3)-blocking antibody, administered as a single intravenous infusion</li> <li>Supported as 1st line therapy, category 2A recommendations by NCCN guidelines</li> </ul>	Recommend to ADD Opdualag (nivolumab/relatlimab-rmbw) to Formulary with the following criteria for use: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Service line: Hematology/Oncology</li> <li>Formulary location: Outpatient infusion</li> <li>Service location: Outpatient infusion center</li> <li>Patient population: Adult, pediatrics 12 years or older</li> <li>Prior authorization Required: Yes</li> <li>Restriction/Criteria of use:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Diagnosis of Stage III (unresectable) or Stage IV metastatic melanoma</li> <li>No active brain metastases or leptomeningeal metastases</li> <li>No diagnosis of uveal melanoma</li> <li>No active, known, or suspected autoimmune disease</li> <li>Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group (ECOG) performance status of 0 or 1</li> <li>No prior systemic therapy in the unresectable or metastatic setting including chemotherapy, immunotherapy, or targeted therapy</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	System Clinical Coordinators Committee 07/14/2022 (RECOMMEND)  System Oncology Subcommittee 07/26/2022 (ENDORSE)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Approve</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Deny <input type="checkbox"/> Table for further discussion  Comments:	<input type="checkbox"/> Stock <input type="checkbox"/> Not Stock <input type="checkbox"/> Table for further discussion <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal decision (explain)  Comments:
Ambulatory	<b>Varithena (polidocanol)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>180 mg/18 mL canister</li> <li>77.5 mg/7.75 mL canister</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requested by NAMED PROVIDER and Kenner Interventional Cardiology</li> <li>FDA-approved for the treatment of incompetent great saphenous veins,</li> </ul>	Recommend to ADD Varithena (polidocanol) IV injectable foam to Formulary with the following criteria for use: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Service Line: All</li> <li>Formulary Location: Ambulatory</li> </ul>	System Clinical Coordinators Committee 06/08/2022 (RECOMMEND)	<input type="checkbox"/> Approve <input type="checkbox"/> Deny <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Table for further discussion</b>  Comments: <b>Tabled, pending more information on why</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Stock <input type="checkbox"/> Not Stock <input type="checkbox"/> Table for further discussion <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal decision (explain)

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>IV injectable foam, using ultrasound guidance</li> </ul>	<p>accessory saphenous veins, and visible varicosities of great saphenous vein (GSV) system above and below the knee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Current practice at facility:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>Small veins</u>: Asclera (polidocanol, IV solution) for veins <math>\leq</math> 3 mm (Varithena used for both small and large vein (average up to 8.7 mm))</li> <li><u>Large veins</u>: laser therapy (disadvantage: patient discomfort, length of procedure) – requesting to change Varithena therapy</li> </ul> </li> <li>Varithena provides more consistent, cohesive and stable foam size than physician-compounded polidocanol foam</li> <li>High cost</li> <li>Store in a flammable safety cabinet due to the pressurized oxygen component, which can cause or intensify fire/explode if heated</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Service location: Ambulatory clinics, procedural area</li> <li>Patient Population: Adults 18 and older</li> <li>Prior Authorization Required: Yes</li> <li>Restriction/Criteria of Use:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provider trained/certified on use of Varithena (training provided by Boston Scientific company)</li> <li>Veins <math>&gt;</math> 3 mm in diameter</li> <li>Trial and failure, intolerance or contraindication to Asclera for the treatment of varicose vein <math>\leq</math> 3 mm in diameter</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><i>Note:</i> MUSE to update the SOP: Handling of Corrosive and Flammable Medications and Chemicals in Clinics, to include Varithena and its use in procedural areas</p>	<p>System Ambulatory Subcommittee 07/21/2022 (ENDORSE)</p> <p>System Operations 07/26/2022 (RECOMMEND)</p>	<p><b>provider training is needed and how certification is monitored and verified, whether it is through Boston Scientific or facility</b></p> <p>Committee members voiced concerns and questioned the manufacturers (Boston Scientific) requirement of providers to be trained for a minimum of 3 procedures, documentation/certification of completion of training and record keeping. Boston Scientific stated they do not have a database with documentation and may not be able to supply the documentation. J. Chou mentioned this is not a REMS drug, there's no FDA mandate on credentialing. This is a manufacturers self-imposed requirement.</p> <p>The ask of the committee is to gather more information on why the manufacturer is requiring the training and record keeping.</p>	<p>Comments:</p>
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II. System Formulary CHANGE or LINE EXTENSION						
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Emergency department, Observation units	<b>Dalvance (dalbavancin)</b> • IV infusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requested by System ASP</li> <li>FDA-approved for the treatment of adult and pediatric patients with acute bacterial skin and soft tissue infections caused by susceptible isolates of the several gram-positive microorganisms</li> <li>Current status: dalbavancin is available for outpatient infusion suites</li> <li>Positive reimbursement if given in outpatient areas, including EDs and observation units</li> <li>Decrease inpatient admissions: identify and prescribe dalbavancin to stable patients with acute bacterial skin and skin structure infections who comes to EDs</li> <li>Pilot at Facility</li> </ul>	<p>Recommend adding dalbavancin to formulary medication lists, with the following restrictions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dalbavancin order set is only available to order via an order set restricted to:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Patient location: ED, observation units</li> <li>Service line: ED, internal medicine, and ID</li> </ul> </li> <li>ID consult is not needed</li> <li>Administration in inpatient floors/units is not allowed</li> </ul> <p>Recommend updating dalbavancin ORDER SET:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Remove 500 mg and 1,000 mg dose buttons</li> <li>Keep 1,500 mg dose button (do not lock dose)</li> </ul>	System Clinical Coordinators Committee 08/01/2022 (RECOMMEND)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Approve</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Deny <input type="checkbox"/> Table for further discussion Comments:	<input type="checkbox"/> Stock <input type="checkbox"/> Not Stock <input type="checkbox"/> Table for further discussion <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal decision (explain) Comments:
Emergency department	<b>Avastin (bevacizumab)</b> • Intravitreal injection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requested by NAMED PROVIDER- Ophthalmology</li> <li>Current status: Avastin intravitreal is available for ambulatory settings</li> <li>When patients present in the ED with urgent</li> </ul>	<p>Recommend updating Avastin ORDER SET with the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Name: Bevacizumab (Avastin) 2.5mg/0.1mL ophthalmic injection</li> <li>Dose button (no change): 1.25mg, 2.5mg</li> <li>Route button: add intravitreal</li> <li>Frequency: Once (for ED)</li> </ul>	System Clinical Coordinators Committee 07/18/2022 (RECOMMEND)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Approve</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Deny <input type="checkbox"/> Table for further discussion Comments:	<input type="checkbox"/> Stock <input type="checkbox"/> Not Stock <input type="checkbox"/> Table for further discussion <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal decision (explain) Comments:

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		neovascular changes, which is an emergent scenario that risks patient blindness, there is a need for prompt treatment with Avastin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ADD 503B Leiter's Avastin (bevacizumab) 2.5 mg/0.1 mL ophthalmic syringe NDC to Avastin order set, designate as preferred.</li> <li>Add Avastin order set to central med list, allow pharmacy to order appropriately, upon request. Provider will need to call pharmacy to place order</li> </ul>			
Inpatient	<b>Peritoneal dialysis (PD) solution</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requested by named provider</li> <li>Dianeal PD with Additives ORDER SET does not specify the base fluid (calcium/glucose concentrations) on the production label</li> <li>inpatient pharmacy cannot verify if the correct dialysate bag was delivered by nursing staff to the IV room for adding medications</li> </ul>	<p>Recommend updating order set with the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Change order set name: "Dianeal solution with Additives" to "Peritoneal Dialysis Solution with Additives"</li> <li>Require a base fluid selection: include all 8 commercially available options from Baxter and Fresenius</li> <li>Update associated order sets</li> </ul> <p><i>Note:</i> Standardization project of PD solution product purchased by pharmacy for addition of medications and workflow is on-going.</p>	System Clinical Coordinators Committee 07/14/2022 (RECOMMEND)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Approve</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Deny <input type="checkbox"/> Table for further discussion Comments:	<input type="checkbox"/> Stock <input type="checkbox"/> Not Stock <input type="checkbox"/> Table for further discussion <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal decision (explain) Comments:
Inpatient	<b>Sodium citrate 4%</b> • Catheter lock	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requested by named provider</li> <li>Utilize sodium citrate 4% catheter locks in patients with suspected/confirmed heparin-induced thrombocytopenia (HIT) or patient's needing an alternative anticoagulation catheter lock than heparin due to religious reasons as heparin contains porcine byproducts</li> </ul>	<p>Recommend to ADD sodium citrate 4% syringe for catheter lock to formulary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Order set name: sodium citrate 4% (40 mg/mL) syringe (catheter lock)</li> <li>Dose Button(s): 3 mL (default), 6 mL, 9 mL</li> <li>Administration instructions: For hemodialysis catheter lock, 3 mL per catheter lock</li> <li>Order defaults: route - intra-catheter, frequency - daily PRN, PRN reason - HD catheter lock, dispense code - IV syringe</li> <li>NDCs under order set: QuVA syringe (default), SCA syringe, premixed bag</li> </ul>	System Clinical Coordinators Committee 07/14/2022 (RECOMMEND)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Approve</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Deny <input type="checkbox"/> Table for further discussion Comments:	<input type="checkbox"/> Stock <input type="checkbox"/> Not Stock <input type="checkbox"/> Table for further discussion <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal decision (explain) Comments:

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<p>Procedural areas, Inpatient</p>	<p><b>Bleomycin</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Intrapleural</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requested by named provider</li> <li>Use for the treatment of malignant pleural effusion (FDA-approved indication)</li> <li>Current status: there is no order set available to order bleomycin intrapleural</li> <li>Instill bleomycin into the pleural space via chest tube, dwell for 4 hours, and suction</li> <li>Dispose the removed fluid with residual bleomycin in black hazardous container</li> </ul>	<p>Recommend building a bleomycin ORDER SET for intrapleural to be ordered via a therapy plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Order set name: bleomycin 60 units in 0.9% sodium chloride (INTRAPLEURAL)</li> <li>Route locked to intrapleural</li> <li>Dose is locked to 60 units</li> <li>Administration instructions: Not for IV use. For intrapleural administration only</li> <li>Dispense product: 50 mL syringe</li> <li>Prep comments: please attach an auxiliary label "Not for IV use" to the compounded syringe</li> </ul>	<p>System Clinical Coordinators Committee 07/25/2022 (RECOMMEND)</p> <p>Discussed at System Operations 07/26/2022:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Request Paul to have some documents about safety and handling of bleomycin intrapleural</li> </ul>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Approve</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Deny</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Table for further discussion</p> <p>Comments:</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Stock</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Not Stock</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Table for further discussion</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Appeal decision (explain)</p> <p>Comments:</p>
<p>Procedural area</p>	<p><b>Methylene blue</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>IV infusion</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requested by named provider</li> <li>Use for visualization of parathyroid glands prior to parathyroidectomy</li> </ul>	<p>Recommend creating an ORDER SET:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Order set name: methylene blue in 500 mL D5W IVPB (for parathyroid glands visualization)</li> <li>Dose buttons: 5 mg/kg, 7 mg/kg – requesting to populate patient specific dose mg in the ORDER SET</li> <li>Volume button: 500 mL</li> <li>Fluid: dextrose 5%</li> <li>Infusion time button: 60 minutes</li> <li>Add an indication box: Visualization of parathyroid glands prior to parathyroidectomy</li> </ul>	<p>System Clinical Coordinators Committee 07/18/2022 (RECOMMEND)</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Approve</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Deny</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Table for further discussion</p> <p>Comments:</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Stock</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Not Stock</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Table for further discussion</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Appeal decision (explain)</p> <p>Comments:</p>

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<p>Inpatient</p>	<p><b>Sodium chloride 3% HYPERTONIC bolus</b></p> <p><b>Sodium chloride 2% HYPERTONIC bolus</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requested by named provider</li> <li>The Neurocritical Care Society Cerebral Edema guidelines suggest utilizing hypertonic sodium chloride boluses over continuous IV infusions for the management of elevated intracranial pressure</li> <li>Current status:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No order set built out in EHR for sodium chloride 2% and 3% boluses</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Any rate &gt; 150 mL/hr exceeds Alaris pump guardrails, requiring to be run on basic infusion</p>	<p>Recommend creating order sets for hypertonic sodium chloride boluses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Order set Names:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sodium chloride 3% HYPERTONIC bolus</li> <li>Sodium chloride 2% HYPERTONIC bolus</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Searching synonyms: Request EHR to populate these records when providers search sodium chloride (even without hypertonic) but not normal saline</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dose, frequency defaults: 250 mL once over 1 hour</li> </ul>	<p>System Clinical Coordinators Committee 08/01/2022 (RECOMMEND)</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Approve</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Deny</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Table for further discussion</p> <p>Comments:</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Stock</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Not Stock</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Table for further discussion</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Appeal decision (explain)</p> <p>Comments:</p>
<p>Inpatient</p>	<p><b>Methocarbamol</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>IVPB</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requested by named provider</li> <li>Current status: Many providers are not aware of max dose/duration provided by package insert for IV methocarbamol: max dose of 3 g/day for no more than 3 consecutive days except in the treatment of tetanus. Some patients have received IV methocarbamol for &gt; 3 consecutive days inpatient.</li> </ul>	<p>Recommend updating the methocarbamol order set:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Max duration = 72 hours/3 days to be built in the background. Provider has to put number of doses in the order.</li> <li>Add admin instructions: Administer IV while in recumbent position. Maintain position for at least 10-15 minutes following infusion.</li> <li>Update associated order sets</li> </ul>	<p>System Clinical Coordinators Committee 08/01/2022 (RECOMMEND)</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Approve</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Deny</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Table for further discussion</p> <p>Comments:</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Stock</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Not Stock</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Table for further discussion</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Appeal decision (explain)</p> <p>Comments:</p>

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