

## PRIOR AUTHORIZATION CRITERIA

<b>BRAND NAME</b> (generic)	<b>PROLIA</b> (denosumab)
<b>Status: CVS/caremark Criteria</b> <b>Type: Initial Prior Authorization</b>	<b>MDC</b> <b>Ref # 642-A</b>

**FDA-APPROVED INDICATIONS<sup>1</sup>**

- Prolia is indicated for the treatment of postmenopausal women with osteoporosis at high risk for fracture, defined as a history of osteoporotic fracture, or multiple risk factors for fracture; or patients who have failed or are intolerant to other available osteoporosis therapy. In postmenopausal women with osteoporosis, Prolia reduces the incidence of vertebral, nonvertebral, and hip fractures.
- Prolia is indicated as a treatment to increase bone mass in men at high risk for fracture, defined as a history of osteoporotic fracture, or multiple risk factors for fracture; or patients who have failed or are intolerant to other available osteoporosis therapy
- Prolia is indicated as a treatment to increase bone mass in men at high risk for fracture receiving androgen deprivation therapy for nonmetastatic prostate cancer. In these patients, Prolia also reduced the incidence of vertebral fractures.
- Prolia is indicated as a treatment to increase bone mass in women at high risk for fracture receiving adjuvant aromatase inhibitor therapy for breast cancer.

**COMPENDIAL USES<sup>2</sup>**

- Prevention or treatment of osteoporosis during androgen deprivation therapy for patients with high fracture risk.

**CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL**

1	Is Prolia requested to increase bone mass in a patient with prostate cancer? [If no, skip to question 3.]	Yes	No
2	Is the patient receiving androgen deprivation therapy? [No further questions.]	Yes	No
3	Is Prolia requested to increase bone mass in a patient with breast cancer? [If no, skip to question 5.]	Yes	No
4	Is the patient receiving adjuvant aromatase inhibitor therapy? [No further questions.]	Yes	No
5	Is Prolia requested for a man with osteoporosis? [If no, skip to question 7.]	Yes	No
6	Does the patient meet ANY of the following criteria? A) The patient has a history of an osteoporotic vertebral or hip fracture, OR B) The patient has a pre-treatment T-score of -2.5 or less, OR C) The patient has a pre-treatment T-score of greater than -2.5 to -1 AND a pre-treatment FRAX score of 20 percent or greater for any major osteoporotic fracture, OR D) The patient has a pre-treatment T-score of greater than -2.5 to -1 AND a pre-treatment FRAX score of 3 percent or greater for hip fracture. [No further questions.]	Yes	No

- 7 Is Prolia requested for postmenopausal osteoporosis?  
[If no, no further questions.]
- 8 Does the patient have a history of fragility fractures?  
[If yes, no further questions.]
- 9 Does the patient have pre-treatment T-score of less than or equal to -2.5?  
[If yes, skip to question 11.]
- 10 Does the patient have ANY of the following? A) The patient has a pre-treatment T-score of greater than -2.5 to -1 AND a pre-treatment FRAX score of 20 percent or greater for any major osteoporotic fracture, OR B) The patient has a pre-treatment T-score of greater than -2.5 to -1 AND a pre-treatment FRAX score of 3 percent or greater for hip fracture  
[If no, no further questions.]
- 11 Does the patient have ANY of the following? A) Indicators for higher fracture risk (e.g., advanced age, frailty, glucocorticoid therapy, very low T-scores, or increased fall risk), OR B) Patient has failed prior treatment with or is intolerant to a previous injectable osteoporosis therapy (e.g., zoledronic acid [Reclast], teriparatide [Forteo]), OR C) Patient has had an oral bisphosphonate trial of at least 1-year duration or there is a clinical reason to avoid treatment with an oral bisphosphonate.

Guidelines for Approval					
Duration of Approval			12 months		
Set 1: Increase bone mass in prostate cancer		Set 2: Increase bone mass in breast cancer		Set 3: Male osteoporosis	
Yes to Question(s)	No to Question(s)	Yes to Question(s)	No to Question(s)	Yes to Question(s)	No to Question(s)
1	None	3	1	5	1
2		4		6	3
Set 4: Postmenopausal OP, hx of fragility fractures		Set 5: Postmenopausal OP, T-score < -2.5		Set 5: Postmenopausal OP, osteopenia with high FRAX	
Yes to Question(s)	No to Question(s)	Yes to Question(s)	No to Question(s)	Yes to Question(s)	No to Question(s)
7	1	7	1	7	1
8	3	9	3	10	3
	5	11	5	11	5
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Internal Use Only – Mapping Instructions		
	Yes	No
1.	Go to 2	Go to 3
2.	Approve, 12 months	Deny
3.	Go to 4	Go to 5
4.	Approve, 12 months	Deny
5.	Go to 6	Go to 7
6.	Approve, 12 months	Deny
7.	Go to 8	Deny
8.	Approve, 12 months	Go to 9

9.	Go to 11	Go to 10
10.	Go to 11	Deny
11.	Approve, 12 months	Deny

**RATIONALE**

These criteria meet the Medicare Part D definition of a medically accepted indication. This definition includes uses which are approved by the FDA or supported by a citation included, or approved for inclusion, in one of the Medicare-approved compendia.

The intent of the criteria is to ensure that patients follow selection elements noted in labeling and/or practice guidelines in order to decrease the potential for inappropriate utilization.

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