

## PHARMACY POLICY STATEMENT

## North Carolina Marketplace

DRUG NAME

Zokinvy (Ionafarnib )

Zokinvy is an oral farnesyltransferase inhibitor initially approved by the FDA in 2020. It is used for the treatment of certain mutations in processing-deficient Progeroid Laminopathies and to reduce the risk of mortality in Hutchinson-Gilford Progeria Syndrome. These are rare and fatal diseases of premature aging. Cardiovascular complications are the primary cause of mortality. Zokinvy is the first FDA approved disease-modifying treatment for these patients. Farnesyltransferase inhibition prevents farnesylation and subsequent accumulation of aberrant progerin and progerin-like proteins in the inner nuclear membrane.

Zokinvy (lonafarnib) will be considered for coverage when the following criteria are met:

## Hutchinson -Gilford Progeria Syndrome

For initial authorization:

- 1. Member is at least 12 months of age; AND
- 2. Member has a body surface area (BSA) of 0.39 m<sup>2</sup> or greater; AND
- Medication must be prescribed by or in consultation with a pediatrician, geneticist, cardiologist, or metabolic specialist; AND
- 4. Member has a diagnosis of Hutchinson-Gilford Progeria Syndrome confirmed by a known causative variant mutation in the LMNA gene (documentation required); AND
- 5. Member is NOT taking any of the following contraindicated drugs/drug classes:
  - a) Strong or moderate CYP3A4 inhibitors or inducers;
  - b) Midazolam;
  - c) Lovastatin, simvastatin, or atorvastatin.
- 6. Dosage allowed/Quantity limit: Start at 115 mg/m² twice daily. After 4 months, increase to 150 mg/m² twice daily. Round all total doses to nearest 25 mg increment.

If all the above requirements are met , the medication will be approved for 12 months

## For reauthorization:

1. Member is tolerating therapy and is taking an appropriate dose.

If all the above requirements are met, the medication will be approved for an additional 12 months



- 3. Medication must be prescribed by or in consultation with a pediatrician, geneticist, cardiologist, or metabolic specialist; AND
- 4. Member has a diagnosis of processing-deficient progeroid laminopathies confirmed by a known causative variant mutation in the LMNA gene (documentation required) with either:
  - a) Heterozygous LMNA mutation with progerin-like protein accumulation, or
  - b) Homozygous or compound heterozygous *ZMPSTE24* mutations
- 5. Member is NOT taking any of the following contraindicated drugs/drug classes:

