

### Clinical Pharmacy Program Guidelines for Temodar

Program	Prior Authorization
Medication	Temodar <sup>®</sup> (temozolomide)
Issue Date	9/2013
Pharmacy and Therapeutics Approval Date	9/2017
Effective Date	11/2017

**1. Background:**

Temodar<sup>®</sup> (temozolomide) is an alkylating drug indicated for treatment in patients with newly diagnosed glioblastoma multiforme concomitantly with radiotherapy and then as maintenance treatment.<sup>1</sup> It is also indicated for treatment of adult patients with refractory anaplastic astrocytoma who have experienced disease progression on a drug regimen containing nitrosourea and procarbazine. The National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN) also recommends Temodar for the treatment of CNS cancers - primary astrocytoma/oligodendroglioma or anaplastic glioma central nervous system tumors, ependymoma, metastatic central nervous system lesions, primary central nervous system lymphoma, supratentorial primitive neuroectodermal tumors, medulloblastoma; melanoma; dermatofibrosarcoma protuberans (DFSP); pancreatic neuroendocrine disorders; NHL – mycosis fungoides (MF) and Sézary syndrome (SS); soft tissue sarcoma (STS), Ewing’s sarcoma; mesenchymal chondrosarcoma; lung neuroendocrine tumors; pheochromocytoma/paraganglioma neuroendocrine tumors; uterine sarcoma; or small cell lung cancer (SCLC).<sup>2</sup>

**2. Coverage Criteria:**

<p><b>A. <u>Central Nervous Systems (CNS) Tumor</u></b></p> <p><b>1. <u>Initial Authorization</u></b></p> <p><b>a. Temodar will be approved based on <u>one</u> of the following diagnoses:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) Intracranial and Spinal Ependymoma (Excluding Subependymoma)</li> <li>(2) Low-Grade Infiltrative Supratentorial Astrocytoma/Oligodendroglioma (excluding pilocytic astrocytoma)</li> <li>(3) Medulloblastoma</li> <li>(4) Supratentorial Primitive Neuroectodermal Tumors</li> <li>(5) Anaplastic Gliomas</li> <li>(6) Glioblastoma</li> <li>(7) Metastatic lesions of the CNS</li> <li>(8) Primary CNS lymphoma</li> </ul> <p><b>Authorization will be issued for 12 months.</b></p>
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**2. Reauthorization**

- a. Temodar** will be approved based on the following criterion:

(1) Patient does not show evidence of progressive disease while on Temodar therapy

**Authorization will be issued for 12 months.**

**B. Melanoma (off-label)**

**1. Initial Authorization**

- a. Temodar** will be approved based on the following criterion:

(1) Diagnosis of melanoma

**Authorization will be issued for 12 months.**

**2. Reauthorization**

- a. Temodar** will be approved based on the following criterion:

(1) Patient does not show evidence of progressive disease while on Temodar therapy

**Authorization will be issued for 12 months.**

**C. Neuroendocrine Tumors (off-label)**

**1. Initial Authorization**

- a. Temodar** will be approved based on the following criterion:

(1) Diagnosis of one of the following types of neuroendocrine tumors:

- (a) GI tract, lung or thymus
- (b) Pancreatic neuroendocrine tumors
- (c) Pheochromocytoma/paraganglioma

**Authorization will be issued for 12 months.**

**2. Reauthorization**

- a. Temodar** will be approved based on the following criterion:

- (1) Patient does not show evidence of progressive disease while on Temodar therapy

**Authorization will be issued for 12 months.**

**D. Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma (NHL) (off-label)**

**1. Initial Authorization**

- a. **Temodar** will be approved based on **one** of the following diagnoses:

- (1) Mycosis fungoides (MF)  
(2) Sézary syndrome (SS)

**Authorization will be issued for 12 months.**

**2. Reauthorization**

- a. **Temodar** will be approved based on the following criterion:

- (1) Patient does not show evidence of progressive disease while on Temodar therapy

**Authorization will be issued for 12 months.**

**E. Soft Tissue Sarcoma (off-label)**

**1. Initial Authorization**

- a. **Temodar** will be approved based on **one** of the following:

- (1) Diagnosis of angiosarcoma  
(2) Diagnosis of unresectable or progressive retroperitoneal/ intra-abdominal soft tissue sarcoma  
(3) Diagnosis of rhabdomyosarcoma  
(4) **Both** of the following:  
(a) Diagnosis of soft tissue sarcoma of the extremity/ superficial trunk, Head/Neck  
(b) **One** of the following:  
i. Disease synchronous stage IV  
ii. Disease has disseminated metastases  
(5) **Both** of the following:  
(a) Diagnosis of solitary fibrous tumor/ hemangiopericytoma  
(b) Used in combination with Avastin (bevacizumab)

**Authorization will be issued for 12 months.**

**2. Reauthorization**

**a. Temodar** will be approved based on the following criterion:

- (1) Patient does not show evidence of progressive disease while on Temodar therapy

**Authorization will be issued for 12 months.**

**F. Bone Cancer (off-label)**

**1. Initial Authorization**

**a. Temodar** will be approved based on **all** of the following criteria:

- (1) Diagnosis of one of the following:
  - (a) Ewing's sarcoma family of tumors
  - (b) Mesenchymal chondrosarcoma

**-AND-**

- (2) **One** of the following:
  - (a) Disease has relapsed
  - (b) Disease is progressive following primary treatment
  - (c) Used as second-line therapy for metastatic disease

**-AND-**

- (3) Used in combination with Campostar (irinotecan)

**Authorization will be issued for 12 months.**

**2. Reauthorization**

**a. Temodar** will be approved based on the following criterion:

- (1) Patient does not show evidence of progressive disease while on Temodar therapy

**Authorization will be issued for 12 months.**

**G.. Uterine Sarcoma (off-label)**

**1. Initial Authorization**

**a. Temodar** will be approved based on the following criterion:

- (1) Diagnosis of uterine sarcoma

**Authorization will be issued for 12 months.**

**2. Reauthorization**

**a. Temodar** will be approved based on the following criterion:

- (1) Patient does not show evidence of progressive disease while on Temodar therapy

**Authorization will be issued for 12 months.**

**H. Small Cell Lung Cancer (SCLC) (off-label)**

**1. Initial Authorization**

**a. Temodar** will be approved based on **both** of the following criterion:

- (1) Diagnosis of small cell lung cancer (SCLC)

**-AND-**

- (2) **One** of the following:

- (a) Relapse within 6 months following complete or partial response or stable disease with initial treatment  
(b) Primary progressive disease

**Authorization will be issued for 12 months.**

**2. Reauthorization**

**a. Temodar** will be approved based on the following criterion:

- (1) Patient does not show evidence of progressive disease while on Temodar therapy

**Authorization will be issued for 12 months.**

**I.. Non-Melanoma Skin Cancer (off-label)**

**1. Initial Authorization**

**a. Temodar** will be approved based on the following criterion:

- (1) Diagnosis of metastatic dermatofibrosarcoma protuberans (DFSP)

**Authorization will be issued for 12 months.**

**2. Reauthorization**

**a. Temodar** will be approved based on the following criterion:

- (1) Patient does not show evidence of progressive disease while on Temodar therapy

**Authorization will be issued for 12 months.**

**3. References:**

1. Temodar [package insert]. Whitehouse Station, NJ: Schering Corporation, a subsidiary of Merck & Co., Inc.; April 2017.
2. The NCCN Drugs and Biologics Compendium (NCCN Compendium™). Available at [http://www.nccn.org/professionals/drug\\_compendium/content/contents.asp](http://www.nccn.org/professionals/drug_compendium/content/contents.asp). Accessed August 3, 2017.

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<b>Change Control</b>	
Date	Change
9/2013	New guideline.
12/2015	Annual Review
9/2016	Updated clinical criteria to align with E&I notification policy and updated policy template.
9/2017	Annual review. Revised criteria for bone cancer. Consolidated criteria for neuroendocrine tumors. Updated background and references.