

Clinical Policy: Fibrinogen Concentrate [Human] (Fibryga, RiaSTAP)

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Description

The following are fibrinogen (coagulation factor I) concentrates requiring prior authorization: fibrinogen concentrate [human] (Fibryga[®] and RiaSTAP[®]).

FDA Approved Indication(s)

Fibryga and RiaSTAP are indicated for the treatment of acute bleeding episodes in patients with congenital fibrinogen deficiency, including afibrinogenemia and hypofibrinogenemia.

Fibryga is additionally indicated for fibrinogen supplementation in bleeding patients with acquired fibrinogen deficiency.

Limitation(s) of use: Fibryga and RiaSTAP are not indicated for dysfibrinogenemia.

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 health plans affiliated with Centene Corporation[®] that Fibryga and RiaSTAP are **medically necessary** when the following criteria are met:

I. Initial Approval Criteria

A. Congenital Fibrinogen Deficiency (must meet all):

1. Diagnosis of congenital fibrinogen deficiency, including afibrinogenemia or hypofibrinogenemia;
2. Confirmation that the member does not have dysfibrinogenemia;
3. Prescribed by or in consultation with a hematologist;
4. Request is for treatment of acute bleeding episodes;
5. For members who have not previously used fibrinogen concentrate (samples do not count), documentation of both of the following (a and b):
 - a. Plasma functional and immunoreactive fibrinogen levels are < 150 mg/dL;
 - b. Prolonged prothrombin time and activated partial thromboplastin time as determined by laboratory-specific reference values;
6. Dose does not exceed the FDA-approved maximum recommended dose for the relevant indication.

Approval duration: 3 months

B. Acquired Fibrinogen Deficiency (must meet all):

1. Diagnosis of acquired fibrinogen deficiency;
2. Request is for Fibryga;
3. Prescribed by or in consultation with a hematologist;
4. Request is for fibrinogen supplementation for bleeding;
5. Member meets one of the following (a or b):
 - a. Plasma fibrinogen level < 200 mg/dL;
 - b. Thromboelastometry FIBTEM A10 ≤ 10 mm;
6. Dose does not exceed the FDA-approved maximum recommended dose for the relevant indication.

Approval duration: 3 months

C. 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 one of the following policies (a or b):
 - a. For drugs on the formulary (commercial, health insurance marketplace) or PDL (Medicaid), the no coverage criteria policy for the relevant line of business: CP.CPA.190 for commercial, HIM.PA.33 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.255 for Medicaid; or
 - b. For drugs NOT on the formulary (commercial, health insurance marketplace) or PDL (Medicaid), the non-formulary policy for the relevant line of business: CP.CPA.190 for commercial, HIM.PA.103 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.16 for Medicaid; or
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: CP.CPA.09 for commercial, HIM.PA.154 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.53 for Medicaid.

II. Continued Therapy

A. All Indications in Section I (must meet all):

1. Member meets one of the following (a or b):
 - a. Currently receiving medication via Centene benefit or member has previously met initial approval criteria;
 - b. Member is currently receiving medication and is enrolled in a state and product with continuity of care regulations (*refer to state specific addendums for CC.PHARM.03A and CC.PHARM.03B*);
2. Member is responding positively to therapy;
3. If request is for a dose increase, new dose does not exceed the FDA-approved maximum recommended dose for the relevant indication.

Approval duration: 3 months

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 one of the following policies (a or b):
 - a. For drugs on the formulary (commercial, health insurance marketplace) or PDL (Medicaid), the no coverage criteria policy for the relevant line of business: CP.CPA.190 for commercial, HIM.PA.33 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.255 for Medicaid; or
 - b. For drugs NOT on the formulary (commercial, health insurance marketplace) or PDL (Medicaid), the non-formulary policy for the relevant line of business: CP.CPA.190 for commercial, HIM.PA.103 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.16 for Medicaid; or
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: CP.CPA.09 for commercial, HIM.PA.154 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.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 – CP.CPA.09 for commercial, HIM.PA.154 for health insurance marketplace, and CP.PMN.53 for Medicaid, or evidence of coverage documents;
- B. Dysfibrinogenemia.

IV. Appendices/General Information

Appendix A: Abbreviation/Acronym Key

FDA: Food and Drug Administration

Appendix B: Therapeutic Alternatives

Not applicable

Appendix C: Contraindications/Boxed Warnings

- Contraindication(s):
 - Fibryga: individuals who have manifested severe immediate hypersensitivity reactions, including anaphylaxis, to Fibryga or its components (sodium citrate dihydrate; glycine; L-arginine hydrochloride);
 - RiaSTAP: known anaphylactic or severe systemic reactions to human plasma-derived products;
- Boxed warning(s): none reported

V. Dosage and Administration

Drug Name	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose
Fibrinogen concentrate (Fibryga)	Congenital fibrinogen deficiency:	Individualized based on the extent of bleeding, laboratory

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	<p>The recommended target fibrinogen plasma level is 100 mg/dL for minor bleeding and 150 mg/dL for major bleeding.</p> <p><u>When baseline fibrinogen level is known</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age ≥ 12 years: [Target fibrinogen level (mg/dL) – measured fibrinogen level (mg/dL)]/1.8 (mg/dL per mg/kg body weight) by IV infusion • Age < 12 years: [Target fibrinogen level (mg/dL) – measured fibrinogen level (mg/dL)]/1.4 (mg/dL per mg/kg body weight) by IV infusion <p><u>When baseline fibrinogen level is not known</u> 70 mg/kg/dose by IV infusion</p> <p>Acquired fibrinogen deficiency Age ≥ 18 years: 4 g IV Age ≥ 12 and < 18 years: 50 mg/kg body weight IV Age < 12 years: 70 mg/kg body weight IV</p> <p>Administer additional doses as needed to bleeding patients when plasma fibrinogen level is ≤ 200 mg/dL or thromboelastometry FIBTEM A10 is ≤ 10 mm (or equivalent values generated by other viscoelastic testing methods)</p>	<p>values, and the clinical condition of the patient</p>
<p>Fibrinogen concentrate (RiaSTAP)</p>	<p>Congenital fibrinogen deficiency</p> <p><u>When baseline fibrinogen level is known</u> [Target fibrinogen level (mg/dL) – measured fibrinogen level (mg/dL)]/1.7 (mg/dL per mg/kg body weight) by IV infusion</p> <p><u>When baseline fibrinogen level is not known</u> 70 mg/kg/dose by IV infusion</p>	<p>Individualized based on the extent of bleeding, laboratory values, and the clinical condition of the patient</p>

VI. Product Availability

Drug Name	Availability
<p>Fibrinogen concentrate (Fibryga)</p>	<p>Lyophilized powder for reconstitution in a single-dose bottle: approximately 1 gram</p>
<p>Fibrinogen concentrate (RiaSTAP)</p>	<p>Lyophilized powder for reconstitution in a single-dose vial: 900-1,300 mg</p>

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
J7177	Injection, human fibrinogen concentrate (Fibryga), 1 mg
J7178	Injection, human fibrinogen concentrate, not otherwise specified, 1 mg

Reviews, Revisions, and Approvals	Date	P&T Approval Date
Policy created	02.03.21	05.21
2Q 2022 annual review: updated RiaSTAP indication to align with FDA-approved language clarifying use in pediatric patients; clarified requirement for documentation of fibrinogen level and prolonged prothrombin time and activated partial thromboplastin time only applies to new starts on Fibryga/Riastap therapy; references reviewed and updated.	03.04.22	05.22
Template changes applied to other diagnoses/indications and continued therapy section.	10.04.22	
2Q 2023 annual review: no significant changes; references reviewed and updated.	02.04.23	05.23
2Q 2024 annual review: no significant changes; references reviewed and updated.	01.11.24	05.24
RT4: updated Fibryga with new FDA indication for acquired fibrinogen deficiency.	08.14.24	
2Q 2025 annual review: no significant changes; references reviewed and updated.	03.05.25	05.25

Important Reminder

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