

Clinical Policy: Omadacycline (Nuzyra)

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Description

Omadacycline (Nuzyra[™]) is a tetracycline class antibacterial.

FDA Approved Indication(s)

Nuzyra is indicated for the treatment of adult patients with the following infections caused by susceptible microorganisms:

- Community-acquired bacterial pneumonia (CABP)
 - *Streptococcus pneumoniae*, *Staphylococcus aureus* (methicillin-susceptible isolates), *Haemophilus influenzae*, *Haemophilus parainfluenzae*, *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, *Legionella pneumophila*, *Mycoplasma pneumoniae*, and *Chlamydomphila pneumoniae*
- Acute bacterial skin and skin structure infections (ABSSSI)
 - *Staphylococcus aureus* (methicillin-susceptible and -resistant isolates), *Staphylococcus lugdunensis*, *Streptococcus pyogenes*, *Streptococcus anginosus* grp. (includes *S. anginosus*, *S. intermedius*, and *S. constellatus*), *Enterococcus faecalis*, *Enterobacter cloacae*, and *Klebsiella pneumoniae*

To reduce the development of drug-resistant bacteria and maintain the effectiveness of Nuzyra and other antibacterial drugs, Nuzyra should be used only to treat or prevent infections that are proven or strongly suspected to be caused by susceptible bacteria.

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.

Health plan approved formularies should be reviewed for all coverage determinations. Requirements to use preferred alternative agents apply only when such requirements align with the health plan approved formulary.

It is the policy of health plans affiliated with Envolve Pharmacy Solutions[™] that Nuzyra is **medically necessary** when the following criteria are met:

I. Initial Approval Criteria

A. Acute Bacterial Skin and Skin Structure Infections, Community-Acquired Bacterial Pneumonia (must meet all):

1. Diagnosis of ABSSSI or CABP;
2. Age \geq 18 years;
3. Member meets one of the following (a or b):
 - a. Request is for continuation of therapy initiated in an acute care hospital from which member was discharged;
 - b. Both of the following (i and ii):
 - i. Culture and sensitivity (C&S) report for the current infection shows isolated pathogen is an organism susceptible to omadacycline, unless provider submits documentation that obtaining a C&S report is not feasible;
 - ii. Member meets one of the following (a, b, or c):
 - a) Failure of \geq 2 formulary antibiotics to which the isolated pathogen is susceptible (if available) per C&S report, unless clinically significant adverse effects are experienced or all are contraindicated;

- b) C&S report shows resistance or lack of susceptibility of the isolated pathogen to all formulary antibiotics FDA-approved for member's diagnosis;
 - c) If provider documents that obtaining a C&S report is not feasible: Failure of ≥ 2 formulary antibiotics indicated for member's diagnosis (if available), unless clinically significant adverse effects are experienced or all are contraindicated;
4. Dose does not exceed one of the following (a or b):
 - a. ABSSSI:
 - i. Loading dose: 200 mg IV (2 vials) on Day 1 or 450 mg PO (3 tablets) per day on Days 1 and 2;
 - ii. Maintenance dose: 100 mg IV (1 vial) per day or 300 mg PO (2 tablets) per day;
 - b. CABP:
 - i. Loading dose: 200 mg IV (2 vials) or 600 mg PO (4 tablets) on Day 1;
 - ii. Maintenance dose: 100 mg IV (1 vial) per day or 300 mg PO (2 tablets) per day.

Approval duration: Duration of request or up to 14 days of total treatment, whichever is less

B. Other diagnoses/indications

1. Refer to ERX.PA.01 if diagnosis is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized).

II. Continued Therapy

A. Acute Bacterial Skin and Skin Structure Infections, Community-Acquired Bacterial Pneumonia (must meet all):

1. Member meets one of the following (a or b):
 - a. Currently receiving medication via a health plan affiliated with Envolve Pharmacy Solutions or member has previously met initial approval criteria;
 - b. Request is for continuation of therapy initiated in an acute care hospital from which member was discharged;
2. Member is responding positively to therapy;
3. Member has not received ≥ 14 days of therapy for current infection;
4. If request is for a dose increase, new dose does not exceed one of the following (a or b):
 - a. 100 mg IV (1 vial) per day;
 - b. 300 mg PO (2 tablets) per day.

Approval duration: Up to 14 days of total treatment

B. Other diagnoses/indications (must meet 1 or 2):

1. Currently receiving medication via a health plan affiliated with Envolve Pharmacy Solutions and documentation supports positive response to therapy.
Approval duration: Duration of request or 14 days (whichever is less); or
2. Refer to ERX.PA.01 if diagnosis is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized).

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 policy – ERX.PA.01 or evidence of coverage documents.

IV. Appendices/General Information

Appendix A: Abbreviation/Acronym Key

ABSSSI: acute bacterial skin and skin structure infections

CABP: community-acquired bacterial pneumonia

C&S: culture and sensitivity

FDA: Food and Drug Administration

Appendix B: Therapeutic Alternatives

This table provides a listing of preferred alternative therapy recommended in the approval criteria. The drugs listed here may not be a formulary agent and may require prior authorization.

Drug Name	Dosing Regimen	Dose Limit/ Maximum Dose
Therapeutic alternatives include formulary antibiotics that are indicated for member's diagnosis and have sufficient activity against the offending pathogen at the site of the infection.		

Therapeutic alternatives are listed as Brand name® (generic) when the drug is available by brand name only and generic (Brand name®) when the drug is available by both brand and generic.

Appendix C: Contraindications/Boxed Warnings

- Contraindication(s): known hypersensitivity to omadacycline, tetracycline-class antibacterial drugs or any of the excipients in Nuzyra
- Boxed warning(s): none reported

V. Dosage and Administration

Indication	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose
CABP	<p>Loading dose: Day 1: 200 mg IV over 60 minutes OR 100 mg IV over 30 minutes twice OR 300 mg PO twice</p> <p>Maintenance dose: 100 mg IV over 30 minutes QD OR 300 mg PO QD</p> <p>Total duration of treatment: 7-14 days</p>	See regimen
ABSSSI	<p>Loading dose: Day 1: 200 mg IV over 60 minutes OR 100 mg IV over 30 minutes twice OR Day 1 and Day 2: 450 mg PO QD</p> <p>Maintenance dose: 100 mg IV over 30 minutes QD OR 300 mg PO QD</p> <p>Total duration of treatment: 7-14 days</p>	See regimen

VI. Product Availability

- Single dose vial: 100 mg omadacycline (equivalent to 131 mg omadacycline tosylate)
- Tablet: 150 mg omadacycline (equivalent to 196 mg omadacycline tosylate)

VII. References

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Important Reminder

This clinical policy has been developed by appropriately experienced and licensed health care professionals based on a review and consideration of currently available generally accepted standards of medical practice; peer-reviewed medical literature; government agency/program approval status; evidence-based guidelines and positions of leading national health professional organizations; views of physicians practicing in relevant clinical areas affected by this clinical policy; and other available clinical information.

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