

## Clinical Policy: Factor XIII A-Subunit, Recombinant (Tretten)

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See **Important Reminder** at the end of this policy for important regulatory and legal information.

### Description

Factor XIII A-subunit, recombinant (Tretten<sup>®</sup>) is a recombinant factor XIII concentrate.

### FDA Approved Indication(s)

Tretten is indicated for routine prophylaxis of bleeding in patients with congenital factor XIII A-subunit deficiency.

Limitation(s) of use: Tretten is not for use in patients with congenital factor XIII B-subunit deficiency.

### 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<sup>™</sup> that Tretten is **medically necessary** when the following criteria are met:

#### I. Initial Approval Criteria

##### A. Congenital Factor XIII A-Subunit Deficiency (must meet all):

1. Diagnosis of congenital factor XIII A-subunit deficiency;
2. Prescribed by or in consultation with a hematologist;
3. Request is for routine prophylaxis to prevent or reduce the frequency of bleeding episodes;
4. For routine prophylaxis requests, member meets one of the following (a, b, or c):
  - a. Member has previously used factor XIIIa for routine prophylaxis;
  - b. Member has severe hemophilia (defined as factor level of < 1%);
  - c. Member has experienced at least one life-threatening or serious spontaneous bleed (see *Appendix D*).

**Approval duration: 6 months**

##### 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. Congenital Factor XIII A-Subunit Deficiency (must meet all):

1. Currently receiving medication via a health plan affiliated with Envolve Pharmacy Solutions or member has previously met initial approval criteria;
2. Member is responding positively to therapy.

**Approval duration: 6 months**

##### 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 6 months (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;
- B. Congenital factor XIII B-subunit deficiency.

**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): hypersensitivity to the active substance or to any of the excipients
- Boxed warning(s): none reported

*Appendix D: General Information*

- Life-threatening bleeding episodes include, but are not limited to, bleeds in the following sites: intracranial, neck/throat, or gastrointestinal.
- Serious bleeding episodes include bleeds in the following site: joints (hemarthrosis).
- Spontaneous bleed is defined as a bleeding episode that occurs without apparent cause and is not the result of trauma.

**V. Dosage and Administration**

Indication	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose
Routine bleeding prophylaxis	35 IU/kg IV once monthly to achieve a target trough level of Factor XIII activity $\geq$ 10%.  Consider dose adjustment if adequate coverage is not achieved with the 35 IU/kg dose.	Individualized

**VI. Product Availability**

Powder for reconstitution in single-use vial: nominally 2,000 to 3,125 IU (*the actual amount of Tretten in international units is stated on each carton and vial; may vary for each vial*)

**VII. References**

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Reviews, Revisions, and Approvals	Date	P&T Approval Date
1Q18 annual review: Added efficacy statement to renewal criteria.	11.28.17	02.18

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1Q 2019 annual review: no significant changes; references reviewed and updated.	09.26.18	02.19
1Q 2020 annual review; no significant changes; references reviewed and updated.	11.28.19	02.20
Added routine prophylaxis-specific requirement for severe hemophilia classification or at least one life-threatening or serious spontaneous bleed for classification of non-severe hemophilia; added requirement for prescriber attestation of not partaking in contact sports.	05.27.20	08.20
Removed requirement for prescriber attestation of not partaking in contact sports.	10.01.20	11.20
1Q 2021 annual review: no significant changes; enhanced existing requirement for A-subunit disease by excluding coverage for B-subunit disease in section III; references reviewed and updated.	12.01.20	02.21
1Q 2022 annual review: no significant changes; references reviewed and updated.	11.23.21	02.22
Clarified requirement for coverage of factor XIIIa for routine prophylaxis: the requirement for factor XIII activity level or documentation of bleed history only applies to requests for new starts to routine prophylactic therapy.	03.03.22	05.22

**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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