

## Clinical Policy: Glecaprevir/Pibrentasvir (Mavyret)

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### Description

Glecaprevir and pibrentasvir (Mavyret®) are a fixed-dose combination of glecaprevir, a hepatitis C virus (HCV) NS3/4A protease inhibitor, and pibrentasvir, an HCV NS5A inhibitor.

### FDA Approved Indication(s)

Mavyret is indicated for the treatment of adult and pediatric patients 3 years and older with:

- Chronic HCV genotype 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or 6 infection without cirrhosis or with compensated cirrhosis (Child-Pugh A)
- HCV genotype 1 infection, who previously have been treated with a regimen containing an HCV NS5A inhibitor\* or an NS3/4A protease inhibitor\*\*, but not both

\* In clinical trials, prior NS5A inhibitor experience included ledipasvir and sofosbuvir or daclatasvir with pegylated interferon and ribavirin.

\*\* In clinical trials, prior NS3/4A protease inhibitor experience included regimens containing simeprevir and sofosbuvir, or simeprevir, boceprevir, or telaprevir with pegylated interferon and ribavirin.

### 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 Mavyret is **medically necessary** when the following criteria are met:

#### I. Initial Approval Criteria

##### A. Chronic Hepatitis C Infection (must meet all):

1. Diagnosis of chronic HCV infection as evidenced by detectable HCV RNA levels by quantitative assay in the last 6 months;
2. Confirmed HCV genotype is one of the following (a, b, c, or d):
  - a. For treatment-naïve members: genotypes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or 6;
  - b. For members treatment-experienced with interferon (IFN)/pegylated-interferon (pegIFN), ribavirin (RBV), and/or sofosbuvir only: genotypes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or 6;
  - c. For members treatment-experienced with either an NS5A inhibitor or an NS3/4A protease inhibitor: genotype 1 (*see Appendix D*);
  - d. For Vosevi-experienced members, member meets both of the following (i and ii):
    - i. Member has genotype 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or 6;
    - ii. Member must use Vosevi in combination with weight-based RBV, unless contraindicated or clinically significant adverse effects are experienced;
3. Prescribed by or in consultation with a gastroenterologist, hepatologist, or infectious disease specialist, or provider who has expertise in treating HCV based on a certified training program (*see Appendix F*);
4. Age ≥ 3 years;
5. If cirrhosis is present, confirmation of Child-Pugh A status;

\*Chart note documentation and copies of lab results are required

6. Member has contraindication(s) or clinically significant adverse effects to Harvoni®, Epclusa®, and Vosevi® (see Appendix E);
7. Life expectancy ≥ 12 months with HCV treatment;
8. Member is not treatment-experienced with both NS3/4A protease inhibitor AND NS5A inhibitors, such as combination therapies including Technivie™, Viekira®, and Zepatier®;
9. Prescribed regimen is consistent with an FDA or AASLD-IDSA recommended regimen (see Section V Dosage and Administration for reference);
10. Dose does not exceed one of the following (a, b, c, or d):
  - a. Adult and pediatric members 12 years of age and older or with body weight ≥ 45 kg: glecaprevir 300 mg and pibrentasvir 120 mg (3 tablets) per day;
  - b. Pediatric members 3 years to < 12 years of age with body weight < 20 kg: glecaprevir 150 mg and pibrentasvir 60 mg per day;
  - c. Pediatric members 3 years to < 12 years of age with body weight 20 kg to < 30 kg: glecaprevir 200 mg and pibrentasvir 80 mg per day;
  - d. Pediatric members 3 years to < 12 years of age with body weight 30 kg to < 45 kg: glecaprevir 250 mg and pibrentasvir 100 mg per day.

**Approval duration: Up to a total of 16 weeks\***

(\*Approved duration should be consistent with a regimen in Section V Dosage and Administration)

**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. Chronic Hepatitis C Infection (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. Both of the following (i and ii):
    - i. Documentation supports that member is currently receiving Mavyret for chronic HCV infection and has recently completed at least 40 days of treatment with Mavyret;
    - ii. Confirmed HCV genotype is one of the following (1, 2, 3, or 4):
      - 1) For treatment-naïve members: genotypes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or 6;
      - 2) For members treatment-experienced with interferon (IFN)/pegylated-interferon (pegIFN), ribavirin (RBV), and/or sofosbuvir only: genotypes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or 6;
      - 3) For members treatment-experienced with either an NS5A inhibitor or an NS3/4A protease inhibitor: genotype 1 (see Appendix D);
      - 4) For Vosevi-experienced members: genotypes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or 6;
2. Member is responding positively to therapy;
3. Dose does not exceed one of the following (a, b, c, or d):
  - a. Adult and pediatric members 12 years of age and older or with body weight ≥ 45 kg: glecaprevir 300 mg and pibrentasvir 120 mg (3 tablets) per day;
  - b. Pediatric members 3 years to < 12 years of age with body weight < 20 kg: glecaprevir 150 mg and pibrentasvir 60 mg per day;
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**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.** Treatment-experienced patients with both NS3/4A protease inhibitor AND NS5A inhibitor, such as combination therapies including: Technivie, Viekira, and Zepatier.

**IV. Appendices/General Information**

*Appendix A: Abbreviation/Acronym Key*

AASLD: American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases

FDA: Food and Drug Administration

HBV: hepatitis B virus

HCV: hepatitis C virus

IDSA: Infectious Diseases Society of America

NS3/4A, NS5A/B: nonstructural protein

PegIFN: pegylated interferon

RBV: ribavirin

RNA: ribonucleic acid

*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.*

<b>Drug Name</b>	<b>Dosing Regimen</b>	<b>Dose Limit/ Maximum Dose</b>
Harvoni® (ledipasvir/sofosbuvir)	<p><b>Genotype 1</b> Treatment-naïve without cirrhosis, who are HIV-uninfected, AND whose HCV viral load is less than 6 million IU/mL: One tablet PO QD for 8 weeks*</p> <p>Treatment-naïve without cirrhosis (not meeting the 8 week treatment indication requirements above) or with compensated cirrhosis: One tablet PO QD for 12 weeks</p> <p><b>Genotype 4, 5, 6</b> Treatment naïve and treatment-experienced, without cirrhosis or with compensated cirrhosis: One tablet PO QD for 12 weeks</p>	1 tablet/day
Epclusa® (sofosbuvir/velpatasvir)	<p><b>Genotype 1 through 6</b> Without cirrhosis or with compensated cirrhosis, treatment naïve or NS3/4A protease inhibitor +/- pegIFN/RBV-experienced: One tablet PO QD for 12 weeks</p>	1 tablet/day
Epclusa® (sofosbuvir/ velpatasvir) plus RBV	<p><b>Genotype 1 through 6</b> Treatment-naïve and treatment-experienced patients, post-liver transplant with compensated cirrhosis or without cirrhosis: One tablet PO QD for 12 weeks</p>	1 tablet/day
Vosevi® (sofosbuvir/velpatasvir/ voxilaprevir)	<p><b>Genotypes 1 through 6</b> Without cirrhosis or with compensated cirrhosis, treatment in patients previously treated with an HCV regimen containing an NS5A inhibitor: One tablet PO QD for 12 weeks</p> <p><b>Genotypes 1a or 3</b> Without cirrhosis or with compensated cirrhosis, treatment in patients previously treated with an HCV</p>	1 tablet/day

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	regimen containing sofosbuvir without an NS5A inhibitor: One tablet PO QD for 12 weeks	
Vosevi® (sofosbuvir/velpatasvir/ voxilaprevir) + RBV	<b>Genotypes 1 through 6*</b> Without cirrhosis or with compensated cirrhosis, treatment in patients previously treated Vosevi: One tablet PO QD for 24 weeks*	Varies

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.

\*Off-label regimen recommended by AASLD/IDSA HCV guideline, updated March 2021

#### Appendix C: Contraindications/Boxed Warnings

- Contraindication(s):
  - Patients with severe hepatic impairment (Child-Pugh B or C)
  - Co-administration with atazanavir and rifampin
- Boxed warning(s): risk of hepatitis B virus reactivation in patients coinfecting with HCV and HBV.

#### Appendix D: Direct-Acting Antivirals (DAAs) for Treatment of HCV Infection

Brand Name	Drug Class				
	NS5A Inhibitor	Nucleotide Analog NS5B Polymerase Inhibitor	Non-Nucleoside NS5B Palm Polymerase Inhibitor	NS3/4A Protease Inhibitor (PI)**	CYP3A Inhibitor
Epclusa*	Velpatasvir	Sofosbuvir			
Harvoni*	Ledipasvir	Sofosbuvir			
Mavyret*	Pibrentasvir			Glecaprevir	
Sovaldi		Sofosbuvir			
Viekira PAK*	Ombitasvir		Dasabuvir	Paritaprevir	Ritonavir
Vosevi*	Velpatasvir	Sofosbuvir		Voxilaprevir	
Zepatier*	Elbasvir			Grazoprevir	

\*Combination drugs

#### Appendix E: General Information

- Acceptable medical justification for inability to use Epclusa or Harvoni (preferred products):
  - In patients indicated for co-administration with ribavirin: contraindications to ribavirin
  - In patients indicated for co-administration with amiodarone: serious symptomatic bradycardia in patients taking amiodarone, with cardiac monitoring recommended.
- Acceptable medical justification for inability to use Vosevi (preferred product):
  - In patients indicated for co-administration with amiodarone: serious symptomatic bradycardia in patients taking amiodarone, with cardiac monitoring recommended.
- Hepatitis B Virus Reactivation (HBV) is a Black Box Warning for all direct-acting antiviral drugs for the treatment of HCV. HBV reactivation has been reported when treating HCV for patients co-infected with HBV, leading to fulminant hepatitis, hepatic failure, and death, in some cases. Patients should be monitored for HBV reactivation and hepatitis flare during HCV treatment and post-treatment follow-up, with treatment of HBV infection as clinically indicated.
- Due to higher rates of virologic failure and treatment-emergent drug resistance, the data do not support labeling for treatment of HCV genotype 1 infected patients who are both NS3/4A PI and NS5A inhibitor-experienced.

*Appendix F: Healthcare Provider HCV Training*

Acceptable HCV training programs and/or online courses include, but are not limited to the following:

- Hepatitis C online course (<https://www.hepatitisc.uw.edu/>): University of Washington is funded by the Division of Viral Hepatitis to develop a comprehensive, online self-study course for medical providers on diagnosis, monitoring, and management of hepatitis C virus infection. Free CME and CNE credit available.
- Fundamentals of Liver Disease (<https://liverlearning.aasld.org/fundamentals-of-liver-disease>): The AASLD, in collaboration with ECHO, the American College of Physicians (ACP), CDC, and the Department of Veterans Affairs, has developed Fundamentals of Liver Disease, a free, online CME course to improve providers' knowledge and clinical skills in hepatology.
- Clinical Care Options: <http://www.clinicaloptions.com/hepatitis.aspx>
- CDC training resources: <https://www.cdc.gov/hepatitis/resources/professionals/trainingresources.htm>

**V. Dosage and Administration**

Indication	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose	Reference
Genotypes 1-6: Treatment-naïve	Without cirrhosis or with compensated cirrhosis: Three tablets PO QD for 8 weeks	Adults/Peds age ≥ 12 years or with body weight ≥ 45 kg:	FDA-approved labeling
Genotypes 1, 2, 4, 5, or 6: Treatment-experienced with IFN/pegIFN, RBV and/or sofosbuvir	Without cirrhosis: Three tablets PO QD for 8 weeks  With compensated cirrhosis: Three tablets PO QD for 12 weeks	glecaprevir 300 mg/pibrentasvir 120 mg (3 tablets) per day;  Peds age 3 years to < 12 years of age with body weight < 20 kg: glecaprevir 150 mg/pibrentasvir 60 mg per day;	
Genotype 3: Treatment-experienced with IFN/pegIFN, + RBV and/or sofosbuvir	Without cirrhosis or with compensated cirrhosis: Three tablets PO QD for 16 weeks	glecaprevir 150 mg/pibrentasvir 60 mg per day;	
Genotype 1: Treatment-experienced with NS5A inhibitor* without prior NS3/4A protease inhibitor*	Without cirrhosis or with compensated cirrhosis: Three tablets PO QD for 16 weeks	Peds age 3 years to < 12 years of age with body weight 20 kg to < 30 kg:	
Genotype 1: Treatment-experienced with NS3/4A protease inhibitor* without prior NS5A inhibitor*	Without cirrhosis or with compensated cirrhosis: Three tablets PO QD for 12 weeks	glecaprevir 200 mg/pibrentasvir 80 mg per day;	
Genotype 1-6: Treatment-naïve or treatment-experienced, post-liver or kidney transplantation without cirrhosis or with compensated cirrhosis	Three tablets PO QD for 12 weeks  (A 16-week treatment duration is recommended in genotype 1-infected patients who are NS5A inhibitor* experienced without prior treatment with an NS3/4A protease inhibitor* or in genotype 3-infected patients who are IFN/pegIFN, RBV and/or	Peds age 3 years to < 12 years of age with body weight 30 kg to < 45 kg: glecaprevir 250 mg/pibrentasvir 100 mg per day	

Indication	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose	Reference
	sofosbuvir treatment-experienced)*		
Genotypes 1-6: Patients with prior sofosbuvir/velpatasvir/voxilaprevir treatment failure	With or without compensated cirrhosis:  Mavyret 3 tablets PO QD + Sovaldi 400 mg + weight-based RBV for 16 weeks	Three tablets (glecaprevir 300 mg/ pibrentasvir 120 mg) per day	AASLD-IDSA (updated March 2021)

AASLD/IDSA treatment guidelines for chronic hepatitis C infection are updated at irregular intervals; refer to the most updated AASLD/IDSA guideline for most accurate treatment regimen.

\* See appendix D

## VI. Product Availability

- Tablet: glecaprevir 100 mg with pibrentasvir 40 mg
- Oral pellet: glecaprevir 50 mg and pibrentasvir 20 mg

## VII. References

1. Mavyret Prescribing Information. North Chicago, IL: AbbVie Inc.; June 2021. Available at: [www.mavyret.com](http://www.mavyret.com). Accessed July 12, 2021.
2. American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases/ Infectious Disease Society of America (AASLD-IDSA). HCV guidance: recommendations for testing, managing, and treating hepatitis C. Last updated March 12, 2021. Available at: <https://www.hcvguidelines.org/>. Accessed April 15, 2021.

Reviews, Revisions, and Approvals	Date	P&T Approval Date
Policy created. <i>Safety criteria was applied according to the safety guidance discussed at CPAC and per EPS.PHARM.31. Exception made to require Hep B screening for all patients prior to treatment to ensure that proper risk reduction measures are taking, though this is not specifically addressed in boxed warning.</i>	08.15.17	08.17
Added redirection to Harvoni, Epclusa, and Vosevi per 2018 formulary status	03.20.18	
3Q 2018 annual review: removed requirement for HBV verification; expanded duration of treatment required for COC from 30 days to 40 days; repeated in initial and continued approval criteria the requirement against treatment-experience with both NS3/4A protease inhibitor AND NS5A inhibitors, as previously only listed in section III diagnoses/indications NOT allowed; references reviewed and updated.	05.22.18	08.18
3Q 2019 annual review: removed advanced liver disease requirement to align with 2018 AASLD/IDSA hepatitis C treatment guidelines; updated age ≥ 12 or weight ≥ 45 kg to be consistent with updated FDA approved indication; references reviewed and updated.	05.13.19	08.19
3Q 2020 annual review: added requirement for Vosevi-treatment failures to use Vosevi + RBV per formulary preference and as recommended by AASLD/IDSA HCV guideline; added new prescriber requirement to include a “provider who has expertise in treating HCV based on a certified training program”; Appendix F (Healthcare Provider HCV Training) added; references reviewed and updated.	05.20.20	08.20
3Q 2021 annual review: removed criterion for sobriety documentation as AASLD recommends to treat all patients with HCV except those with short	07.12.21	08.21

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life expectancy; included reference to Appendix E with addition of contraindications that would warrant bypassing preferred agents; updated Appendix B therapeutic alternatives and section V dosing tables; RT4: updated criteria for Mavyret pediatric age expansion to 3 years and older along with pediatric dosing and new oral pellet dosage formulation; references reviewed and updated.		

**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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