

PHARMACY POLICY STATEMENT Marketplace DRUG NAME Enspryng (satralizumab-mwge) BENEFIT TYPE Pharmacy STATUS Prior Authorization Required

Enspryng is an interleukin-6 (IL-6) receptor antagonist indicated for the treatment of neuromyelitis optica spectrum disorder (NMOSD) in adult patients who are anti-aquaporin-4 (AQP4) antibody positive. Neuromyelitis optica spectrum disorder (NMOSD) is a rare, autoimmune disease of the central nervous system that primarily attacks the optic nerves and spinal cord leading to blindness and paralysis.

Enspryng (satralizumab-mwge) will be considered for coverage when the following criteria are met:

Neuromyelitis Optica Spectrum Disorder (NMOSD)

For initial authorization:

- 1. Member is at least 18 years of age; AND
- 2. Medication must be prescribed by or in consultation with a neurologist; AND
- Member has a documented diagnosis of NMOSD and is seropositive for aquaporin-4 (AQP4) IgG antibodies; AND
- 4. Member has had 1 or more relapses within the past year; AND
- 5. Member has tried and failed rituximab for at least 6 months (requires prior auth); AND
- 6. Member has tested negative for hepatitis B and tuberculosis within the past year or there is attestation they will be tested before starting treatment.
- 7. **Dosage allowed/Quantity limit:** 120mg subQ at weeks 0, 2, and 4, then 120mg every 4 weeks thereafter.

QL: 1 syringe per 28 days (maintenance)

If all the above requirements are met, the medication will be approved for 6 months.

For reauthorization:

1. Chart notes must document disease stabilization, symptom improvement, and/or reduced frequency of relapses compared to baseline.

If all the above requirements are met, the medication will be approved for an additional 12 months.

CareSource considers Enspryng (satralizumab-mwge) not medically necessary for the treatment of conditions that are not listed in this document. For any other indication, please refer to the Off-Label policy.

DATE	ACTION/DESCRIPTION
10/16/2020	New policy for Enspryng created.
07/14/2023	Transferred to new template.



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Removed azathioprine, mycophenolate trial options (rituximab more effective per quidelines).

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