

Clinical Policy: Factor VIII/von Willebrand Factor Complex (Human - Alphanate, Humate-P, Wilate)

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Description

The following are factor VIII/von Willebrand factor complexes (human) requiring prior authorization: Alphanate[®], Humate[®]-P, and Wilate[®].

FDA Approved Indication(s)

Alphanate is indicated for:

- Hemophilia A:
 - Control and prevention of bleeding episodes and perioperative management in adults and pediatric patients with Factor VIII deficiency due to hemophilia A.
- Von Willebrand disease:
 - Surgical and/or invasive procedures in adults and pediatric patients with von Willebrand Disease (VWD) in whom desmopressin (DDAVP) is either ineffective or contraindicated.

Limitation(s) of use: Alphanate is not indicated for patients with severe VWD (Type 3) undergoing major surgery.

Humate-P is indicated:

- For hemophilia A:
 - Treatment and prevention of bleeding in adults with hemophilia A (classical hemophilia).
- In adult and pediatric patients with Von Willebrand disease (VWD):
 - Treatment of spontaneous and trauma-induced bleeding episodes;
 - Prevention of excessive bleeding during and after surgery in patients with severe VWD as well as patients with mild to moderate disease where use of desmopressin (DDAVP) is known or suspected to be inadequate.

Limitation(s) of use: Controlled clinical trials to evaluate the safety and efficacy of prophylactic dosing with Humate-P to prevent spontaneous bleeding have not been conducted in VWD subjects.

Wilate is indicated:

- For von Willebrand disease:
 - In children and adults with von Willebrand disease (VWD) disease for:
 - On-demand treatment and control of bleeding episodes;
 - Perioperative management of bleeding.

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Limitation(s) of use: Wilate is not indicated for the treatment of hemophilia A.

Policy/Criteria

Provider must submit documentation (which may include office chart notes and lab results) supporting that member has met all approval criteria.

It is the policy of health plans affiliated with Centene Corporation® that Alphanate, Humate-P, and Wilate are **medically necessary** when the following criteria are met:

I. Initial Approval Criteria**A. Congenital Hemophilia A – Alphanate/Humate-P (must meet all):**

1. Diagnosis of congenital hemophilia A (factor VIII deficiency);
2. Prescribed by or in consultation with a hematologist;
3. Request is for one of the following (a or b):
 - a. Control or prevention of bleeding episodes;
 - b. Perioperative management (Alphanate only);
4. If factor VIII coagulant activity levels are >5%, member has failed a trial of desmopressin acetate, unless contraindicated or clinically significant adverse effects are experienced, or an appropriate formulation of desmopressin acetate is unavailable;
5. Dose does not exceed the FDA approved maximum recommended dose for the relevant indications.

Approval duration: 3 months

B. Von Willebrand Disease (must meet all):

1. Diagnosis of VWD (types 1, 2, or 3);
2. Prescribed by or in consultation with a hematologist;
3. Request is for one of the following (a or b):
 - a. Spontaneous and trauma-induced bleeding episodes (Humate-P and Wilate only);
 - b. Perioperative management;
4. Dose does not exceed the FDA approved maximum recommended dose for the relevant indications.

Approval duration: 3 months

C. Other diagnoses/indications

1. Refer to CP.PMN.53 if diagnosis is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized).

II. Continued Therapy**A. All Indications in Section I (must meet all):**

1. Currently receiving medication via Centene benefit or member has previously met all initial approval criteria;
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 indications.

Approval duration: 3 months

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

1. Currently receiving medication via Centene benefit and documentation supports positive response to therapy.

Approval duration: Duration of request or 6 months (whichever is less); or

2. Refer to CP.PMN.53 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 – CP.PMN.53 or evidence of coverage documents.

IV. Appendices/General Information

Appendix A: Abbreviation/Acronym Key

FDA: Food and Drug Administration

VWD: von Willebrand disease

VWF: von Willebrand factor

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
desmopressin acetate (Stimate® nasal spray; generic injection solution)	When Factor VIII coagulant activity levels are > 5% Injection: 0.3 mcg/kg IV every 48 hours Nasal spray: < 50 kg: 1 spray intranasally in one nostril only; may repeat based on laboratory response and clinical condition ≥ 50 kg: 1 spray intranasally in each nostril; may repeat based on laboratory response and clinical condition	Injection: 0.3 mcg/kg IV every 48 hours Nasal spray: 1 spray intranasally in each nostril

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.

V. Dosage and Administration

Drug Name	Indication	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose
Factor VIII/von Willebrand factor	Hemophilia A - control and	Minor episodes: 15 IU/kg IV every 12 hours	100 IU/kg/day

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Drug Name	Indication	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose
complex (Alphanate)	prevention of bleeding episodes	Moderate episodes: 25 IU/kg IV every 12 hours Major episodes: 40-50 IU/kg IV initially followed by 25 IU/kg IV every 12 hours	
Factor VIII/von Willebrand factor complex (Humate-P)	Hemophilia A - control and prevention of bleeding episodes	Minor episodes: 15 IU/kg IV loading dose followed by half of the loading dose given once or twice daily if needed Moderate episodes: 25 IU/kg IV loading dose followed by 15 IU/kg IV every 8-12 hours Major episodes: 40-50 IU/kg IV initially followed by 20-25 IU/kg IV every 8 hours	75 IU/kg/day
Factor VIII/von Willebrand factor complex (Alphanate)	Hemophilia A – perioperative management	Pre-operative: 40-50 IU/kg IV once as a single dose Post-operative: 30-50 IU/kg IV every 12 hours	100 IU/kg/day
Factor VIII/von Willebrand factor complex (Humate-P)	VWD – control and prevention of bleeding episodes	<u>Type 1 VWD, mild disease</u> Minor or major episodes: 40-60 IU/kg IV loading dose followed by 40-50 IU/kg IV every 8-12 hours	240 IU/kg/day

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Drug Name	Indication	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose
		<u>Type 1 VWD, moderate or severe disease</u> Minor episodes: 40-50 IU/kg IV as one or two doses Major episodes: 50-75 IU/kg loading dose followed by 40-60 IU/kg every 8-12 hours <u>Type 2 or 3 VWD</u> Minor episodes: 40-50 IU/kg IV as one or two doses Major episodes: 60-80 IU/kg IV loading dose followed by 40-60 IU/kg every 8-12 hours	

VI. Product Availability

Drug Name	Availability
Factor VIII/von Willebrand factor complex (Alphanate)	Vial: 250, 500, 1000, 1500 IU and 2000 IU FVIII
Factor VIII/von Willebrand factor complex (Humate-P)	Vial: 250/600, 500/1200, 1000/2400 IU FVIII/VWF:RCo
Factor VIII/von Willebrand factor complex (Wilate)	Vial: 500/500, 1000/1000 IU FVIII/VWF:RCo

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
J7183	Injection, von Willebrand factor complex (human), Wilate, 1 IU vWF:RCo
J7186	Injection, antihemophilic factor VIII/von Willebrand factor complex (human), per factor VIII i.u.
J7187	Injection, von Willebrand factor complex (Humate-P), per IU VWF:RCO

Reviews, Revisions, and Approvals	Date	P&T Approval Date
Policy split from CP.PHAR.12.Blood Factors and converted to new template. Removed requests for documentation. Removed indication for prophylaxis after 2 joint bleeds/approval period 6 months as there is no FDA approved indication for long-term prophylaxis. Approval period is edited to be 3 months initial and one 3-month re-auth as, in some circumstances, treatment could be necessary for up to six months (e.g., intracranial hemorrhage per Alphanate PI). Reviewed by specialist.	04.01.16	05.16
Removed “major surgery” restriction for Alphanate. Required trial of desmopressin is edited to avoid necessity of testing for coagulation factors. Safety information removed. Uses and approval periods across all blood factor policies worded consistently. Efficacy statement added to renewal criteria. Hemophilias are specified as “congenital” versus “acquired” across blood factor policies where indicated. Reviewed by specialist- hematology/internal medicine	04.01.17	05.17
1Q18 annual review: - Converted to new template -No significant changes - References reviewed and updated.	11.27.17	02.18

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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. The Health Plan makes no representations and accepts no liability with respect to the content of any external information used or relied upon in developing this clinical policy. This clinical policy is consistent with standards of medical practice current at the time that this clinical policy was approved. “Health Plan” means a health plan that has adopted this clinical policy and that is operated or administered, in whole or in part, by Centene Management Company, LLC, or any of such health plan’s affiliates, as applicable.

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