

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

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## Description

Factor XIII A-subunit, recombinant (Tretten®) 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.*

It is the policy of PA Health & Wellness® 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.

**Approval duration: 6 months**

#### B. Other diagnoses/indications: Refer to PA.CP.PMN.53

### II. Continued Approval

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

1. Currently receiving medication via PA Health & Wellness benefit or member has previously met all initial approval criteria; or the Continuity of Care policy (PA.LTSS.PHAR.01) applies;
2. Member is responding positively to therapy.

**Approval duration: 6 months**

#### B. Other diagnoses/indications (1, 2 or 3):

1. Currently receiving medication via PA Health & Wellness benefit and documentation supports positive response to therapy; or the Continuity of Care policy (PA.LTSS.PHAR.01) applies.

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

2. Refer to PA.CP.PMN.53
3. Member does not have congenital factor XIII B-subunit deficiency.

**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 – PA.CP.PMN.53;
- 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*

- Serious bleeding episodes include bleeds in the following sites: intracranial, neck/throat, gastrointestinal, or 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: 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**

1. Tretten Prescribing Information. Plainsboro, NJ: Novo Nordisk; June 2020. Available at <http://www.novo-pi.com/tretten.pdf>. Accessed November 7, 2022.

2. Srivastava A, Santagostino E, Dougall A, et al. WFH guidelines for the management of hemophilia. *Haemophilia*. 2020;26(suppl 6):1-158.
3. Medical and Scientific Advisory Council (MASAC) of the National Hemophilia Foundation (NHF): Database of treatment guidelines. Available at <https://www.hemophilia.org/healthcare-professionals/guidelines-on-care/masac-documents>. Accessed November 7, 2022.

### 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.

HCPSC Codes	Description
J7181	Injection, factor XIII A-subunit, (recombinant), per IU

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