

Clinical Policy: Cemiplimab-rwlc (Libtayo)

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Description

Cemiplimab-rwlc (Libtayo[®]) is a programmed death receptor-1 (PD-1) blocking antibody.

FDA Approved Indication(s)

Libtayo is indicated for the treatment of patients with metastatic cutaneous squamous cell carcinoma (CSCC) or locally advanced CSCC who are not candidates for curative surgery or curative radiation.

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 health plans affiliated with PA Health & Wellness[®] that Libtayo is **medically necessary** when the following criteria are met:

I. Initial Approval Criteria

A. Cutaneous Squamous Cell Carcinoma (must meet all):

1. Diagnosis of CSCC;
2. Disease is metastatic or locally advanced;
3. Prescribed by or in consultation with an oncologist;
4. Member is not a candidate for curative surgery or curative radiation;
5. Request meets one of the following (a or b):
 - a. Dose does not exceed 350 mg (1 vial) every 3 weeks;
 - b. Dose is supported by practice guidelines or peer-reviewed literature for the relevant off-label use (*prescriber must submit supporting evidence*).

Approval duration: 6 months

B. Other diagnoses/indications

1. Refer to the off-label use policy for the relevant line of business if diagnosis is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized): PA.CP.PMN.53.

II. Continued Therapy

A. Cutaneous Squamous Cell Carcinoma (must meet all):

1. Currently receiving medication via Pennsylvania Health and 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;
3. If request is for a dose increase, request meets one of the following (a or b):
 - a. New dose does not exceed 350 mg (1 vial) every 3 weeks;

- b. New dose is supported by practice guidelines or peer-reviewed literature for the relevant off-label use (*prescriber must submit supporting evidence*).

Approval duration: 12 months

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

- 1. Currently receiving medication via Pennsylvania Health and 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 the off-label use policy for the relevant line of business if diagnosis is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized): PA.CP.PMN.53.

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 or evidence of coverage documents.

IV. Appendices/General Information

Appendix A: Abbreviation/Acronym Key

CSCC: cutaneous squamous cell carcinoma

FDA: Food and Drug Administration

PD-1: programmed death receptor-1

Appendix B: Therapeutic Alternatives

Not applicable

Appendix C: Contraindications/Boxed Warnings

None reported

V. Dosage and Administration

Indication	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose
CSCC	350 mg IV over 30 minutes every 3 weeks	See dosing regimen

VI. Product Availability

Injection: 350 mg/7 mL (50 mg/mL) solution in a single-dose vial

VII. References

- 1. Libtayo Prescribing Information. Tarrytown, NY: Regeneron Pharmaceuticals, Inc.; September 2018. Available at: <https://www.libtayohPA.CP.com/>. Accessed October 1, 2018.

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