

Clinical Policy: Lisdexamfetamine (Vyvanse)

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Description

Lisdexamfetamine (Vyvanse[®]) is a central nervous stimulant.

FDA approved indication

Vyvanse is indicated:

- For the treatment of attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD)
- For the treatment of moderate to severe binge eating disorder (BED) in adults

Limitation of use: Vyvanse is not indicated for weight loss. Use of other sympathomimetic drugs for weight loss has been associated with serious cardiovascular adverse events. The safety and effectiveness of Vyvanse for the treatment of obesity have not been established.

Policy/Criteria

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

It is the policy of Pennsylvania Health and Wellness[®] that Vyvanse is **medically necessary** when the following criteria are met:

I. Initial Approval Criteria

A. Binge Eating Disorder (BED) (must meet all):

1. Diagnosis of BED;
2. Age \geq 18 years;
3. Prescribed by or in consultation with a psychiatrist;
4. Failure of \geq 3 month trial of cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT) with supporting documentation;
5. Failure of \geq 3 month trial of topiramate at up to maximally indicated doses unless contraindicated or clinically significant adverse effects are experienced;
6. Failure of \geq 6 week trial of an SSRI at up to maximally indicated doses unless contraindicated or clinically significant adverse effects are experienced;
7. Dose does not exceed 70 mg per day (1 capsule per day).

Approval duration: 3 months

B. Pediatric/Adolescent Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) (must meet all):

1. Diagnosis of ADHD;
2. Age 6 to 17 years;
3. Failure of one extended release amphetamine at up to maximally indicated doses unless contraindicated or clinically significant adverse effects are experienced;
4. Failure of one extended release methylphenidate at up to maximally indicated doses unless contraindicated or clinically significant adverse effects are experienced;
5. Dose does not exceed 70 mg per day (1 capsule per day).

Approval duration: 6 months

C. Adult Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) (must meet all):

1. Diagnosis of ADHD;
2. Age \geq 18 years;
3. Dose does not exceed 70 mg per day (1 capsule per day);
4. Failure of a \geq 4 week trial of one extended release amphetamine at up to maximally indicated doses unless contraindicated or clinically significant adverse effects are experienced;
5. Failure of a \geq 4 week trial of one extended release methylphenidate at up to maximally indicated doses unless contraindicated or clinically significant adverse effects are experienced.

Approval duration: 6 months

D. Other diagnoses/indications

1. Refer to PA.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 PA Health and Wellness benefit and documentation supports positive response to therapy or the Continuity of Care policy (PA.LTSS.PHAR.01) applies; or
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3. Member is responding positively to therapy;
4. Member meets age and diagnosis criteria, and is currently stabilized on Vyvanse;
5. If request is for a dose increase, new dose does not exceed 70 mg per day (1 capsule per day).

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

Approval duration: 12 months

III. Appendices/General Information

Appendix A: Abbreviation/Acronym Key

ADD: attention deficit disorder

ADHD: attention deficit hyperactivity disorder

BED: binge eating disorder

CBT: cognitive behavioral therapy

CNS: central nervous system

PDL: preferred drug list
SSRI: selective serotonin reuptake inhibitor

Appendix B: Additional Information

Vyvanse should be titrated to the recommended therapeutic dose of 50 mg to 70mg for the treatment of BED.

IV. Dosage and Administration

Indication	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose
ADHD	30 mg to 70 mg per day	70 mg per day
BED	50 mg to 70 mg per day	70 mg per day

V. Product Availability

Capsules: 10 mg, 20 mg, 30 mg, 40 mg, 50 mg, 60 mg, 70 mg

VI. References

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