



AETNA BETTER HEALTH®
Coverage Policy/Guideline

Name: Bafiertam

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Effective Date: 3/4/2024

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Applies to:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Illinois	<input type="checkbox"/> Florida	<input type="checkbox"/> Michigan
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Intent:

The intent of this policy/guideline is to provide information to the prescribing practitioner outlining the coverage criteria for Bafiertam under the patient's prescription drug benefit.

Description:

The indications below including FDA-approved indications and compendial uses are considered a covered benefit provided that all the approval criteria are met and the member has no exclusions to the prescribed therapy.

FDA-Approved Indications

Bafiertam is indicated for the treatment of relapsing forms of multiple sclerosis (MS), to include clinically isolated syndrome, relapsing-remitting disease, and active secondary progressive disease, in adults.

All other indications are considered experimental/investigational and not medically necessary.

Applicable Drug List:

Bafiertam

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Prescriber Specialties:

This medication must be prescribed by or in consultation with a neurologist.

Criteria for Initial Approval:

A. Relapsing forms of multiple sclerosis (MS)

Authorization of 12 months may be granted to members who have been diagnosed with a relapsing form of multiple sclerosis (including relapsing-remitting and secondary progressive disease for those who continue to experience relapse) and patient is unable to take the required number of formulary alternatives (3) for the given diagnosis due to a trial and inadequate treatment response or intolerance, or a contraindication.

B. Clinically isolated syndrome

Authorization of 12 months may be granted to members for the treatment of clinically isolated syndrome and patient is unable to take the required number of formulary alternatives (3) for the given diagnosis due to a trial and inadequate treatment response or intolerance, or a contraindication.

Continuation of Therapy:



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For all indications: Authorization of 12 months may be granted to members who are experiencing disease stability or improvement while receiving Bafiertam.

Other Criteria:

- A. Members will not use Bafiertam concomitantly with other disease modifying multiple sclerosis agents (Note: Ampyra and Nuedexta are not disease modifying).
- B. Authorization may be granted for pediatric members less than 18 years of age when benefits outweigh risks

Approval Duration and Quantity Restrictions:

Approval: 12 months

Quantity Level Limit: 120 capsules per 30 days

References:

1. Bafiertam [package insert]. High Point, NC: Banner Life Sciences LLC; January 2023.