



UnitedHealthcare Pharmacy  
Clinical Pharmacy Programs

Program Number	2023 P 1148-10
Program	Prior Authorization/Notification
Medications	Cerdelga® (eliglustat)
P&T Approval Date	12/2014, 11/2015, 9/2016, 9/2017, 9/2018, 9/2019, 9/2020, 10/2021, 10/2022, 10/2023
Effective Date	1/1/2024

1. **Background:**

Cerdelga® (eliglustat) is a glucosylceramide synthase inhibitor indicated for the long-term treatment of adult patients with Gaucher disease type 1 who are CYP2D6 extensive metabolizers (EMs), intermediate metabolizers (IMs), or poor metabolizers (PMs) as detected by an FDA-cleared test. CYP2D6 ultra-rapid metabolizers may not achieve adequate concentrations of Cerdelga to achieve a therapeutic effect. A specific dosage cannot be recommended for CYP2D6 indeterminate metabolizers.<sup>1</sup>

2. **Coverage Criteria<sup>a</sup>:**

**A. Initial Authorization**

1. **Cerdelga** will be approved based on **both** of the following criteria:

a. Diagnosis of Gaucher disease type 1

**-AND-**

b. Patient is **one** of the following as detected by an FDA-cleared test:

- (1) CYP2D6 extensive metabolizer
- (2) CYP2D6 intermediate metabolizer
- (3) CYP2D6 poor metabolizer

**Authorization will be issued for 12 months.**

**B. Reauthorization**

1. **Cerdelga** will be approved based on the following criterion:

a. Documentation of positive clinical response to **Cerdelga** therapy

**Authorization will be issued for 12 months.**

<sup>a</sup> State mandates may apply. Any federal regulatory requirements and the member specific benefit plan coverage may also impact coverage criteria. Other policies and utilization management programs may apply.

**3. Additional Clinical Programs:**

- Notwithstanding Coverage Criteria, UnitedHealthcare may approve initial and re-authorization based solely on previous claim/medication history, diagnosis codes (ICD-10) and/or claim logic. Use of automated approval and re-approval processes varies by program.
- Supply limits may be in place.

**4. References:**

1. Cerdelga [package insert]. Genzyme Ireland, Ltd. Waterford, Ireland. December 2022.

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<b>Change Control</b>	
12/2014	New program.
11/2015	Annual review. Updated to align with Indication Section of FDA label.
9/2016	Annual review. No changes to coverage criteria.
9/2017	Annual review. No changes.
9/2018	Annual review. No changes.
9/2019	Annual review. No changes to coverage criteria. Updated background and references.
9/2020	Annual review. No changes to coverage criteria.
10/2021	Annual review. Updated reauthorization duration. Updated reference.
10/2022	Annual review. No changes to coverage criteria. Added state mandate. Updated reference.
10/2023	Annual review. No changes to coverage criteria. Updated reference.