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## LYNPARZA™ (olaparib) oral tablet

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Coverage for services, procedures, medical devices and drugs are dependent upon benefit eligibility as outlined in the member's specific benefit plan. This Pharmacy Coverage Guideline must be read in its entirety to determine coverage eligibility, if any.

This Pharmacy Coverage Guideline provides information related to coverage determinations only and does not imply that a service or treatment is clinically appropriate or inappropriate. The provider and the member are responsible for all decisions regarding the appropriateness of care. Providers should provide BCBSAZ complete medical rationale when requesting any exceptions to these guidelines.

The section identified as "**Description**" defines or describes a service, procedure, medical device or drug and is in no way intended as a statement of medical necessity and/or coverage.

The section identified as "**Criteria**" defines criteria to determine whether a service, procedure, medical device or drug is considered medically necessary or experimental or investigational.

State or federal mandates, e.g., FEP program, may dictate that any drug, device or biological product approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) may not be considered experimental or investigational and thus the drug, device or biological product may be assessed only on the basis of medical necessity.

Pharmacy Coverage Guidelines are subject to change as new information becomes available.

For purposes of this Pharmacy Coverage Guideline, the terms "experimental" and "investigational" are considered to be interchangeable.

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This Pharmacy Coverage Guideline does not apply to FEP or other states' Blues Plans.

Information about medications that require precertification is available at [www.azblue.com/pharmacy](http://www.azblue.com/pharmacy).

Some large (100+) benefit plan groups may customize certain benefits, including adding or deleting precertification requirements.

All applicable benefit plan provisions apply, e.g., waiting periods, limitations, exclusions, waivers and benefit maximums.

Precertification for medication(s) or product(s) indicated in this guideline requires completion of the [request form](#) in its entirety with the chart notes as documentation. **All requested data must be provided.** Once completed the form must be signed by the prescribing provider and faxed back to BCBSAZ Pharmacy Management at (602) 864-3126 or emailed to [Pharmacyprecert@azblue.com](mailto:Pharmacyprecert@azblue.com). **Incomplete forms or forms without the chart notes will be returned.**

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### Criteria:

- **Criteria for initial therapy:** Lynparza (olaparib) is considered *medically necessary* and will be approved when **ALL** of the following criteria are met:
1. Prescriber is a physician specializing in the patient's diagnosis or is in consultation with an Oncologist or Gynecologist depending upon indication or use
  2. Individual is 18 years of age or older
  3. A confirmed diagnosis of **ONE** of the following:
    - a. Maintenance treatment of a patient with deleterious or suspected deleterious germline or somatic BRCA-mutated advanced epithelial ovarian, fallopian tube or primary peritoneal cancer who are in complete or partial response to first-line platinum-based chemotherapy
    - b. In combination with bevacizumab for the maintenance treatment of a patient with advanced epithelial ovarian, fallopian tube or primary peritoneal cancer who are in complete or partial response to first-line platinum-based chemotherapy and whose cancer is associated with homologous recombination deficiency (HRD)-positive status defined by **either**:
      - i. a deleterious or suspected deleterious *BRCA* mutation, and/or
      - ii. genomic instability
    - c. Maintenance treatment of a patient with recurrent epithelial ovarian, fallopian tube or primary peritoneal cancer, who are in complete or partial response to platinum-based chemotherapy
    - d. Treatment of a patient with deleterious or suspected deleterious germline *BRCA*-mutated (*gBRCAm*) advanced ovarian cancer who have been treated with three or more prior lines of chemotherapy
    - e. Treatment of a patient with deleterious or suspected deleterious *gBRCAm*, HER2-negative metastatic breast cancer, who have been treated with chemotherapy in the neoadjuvant, adjuvant, or metastatic setting. Patients with hormone receptor (HR)-positive breast cancer should have been treated with a prior endocrine therapy or be considered inappropriate for endocrine therapy.
    - f. Maintenance treatment of a patient with deleterious or suspected deleterious *gBRCAm* metastatic pancreatic adenocarcinoma whose disease has not progressed on at least 16-weeks of a first-line platinum-based chemotherapy regimen
    - g. Treatment of a patient with deleterious or suspected deleterious germline or somatic homologous recombination repair (HRR) gene-mutated metastatic castration-resistant prostate cancer (mCRPC) who have progressed following prior treatment with enzalutamide or abiraterone. Patients receiving Lynparza for mCRPC should also receive a gonadotropin-releasing hormone (GnRH) analog concurrently or should have had bilateral orchiectomy.



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- h. Other request for a specific oncologic direct treatment use that is found and listed in the National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN) Guidelines with Categories of Evidence and Consensus of 1 and 2A
- 4. **ALL** of the following baseline tests have been completed before initiation of treatment:
  - a. FDA-approved test for the detection of mutations
  - b. Negative pregnancy test in a woman of childbearing potential
  - c. Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group (ECOG) Performance Status of 0-1
- 5. Individual does not have severe renal impairment or end-stage renal disease (CrCl less than or equal to 30 mL/min)
- 6. Individual does not have severe hepatic impairment (Child-Pugh Class C)
- 7. There are no significant interacting drugs

**Initial approval duration:** 6 months

➤ **Criteria for continuation of coverage (renewal request):** Lynparza (olaparib) is considered **medically necessary** and will be approved when **ALL** of the following criteria are met:

- 1. Individual continues to be seen by a physician specializing in the patient's diagnosis or is in consultation with an Oncologist or Gynecologist depending upon indication or use
- 2. Individual's condition has responded while on therapy
  - a. Response is defined as:
    - i. Documented evidence of efficacy, disease stability and/or improvement
    - ii. No evidence individual has developed any significant unacceptable adverse drug reactions that may exclude continued use
- 3. Individual has been adherent with the medication
- 4. Individual has not developed any significant adverse drug effects that may exclude continued use
  - a. Significant adverse effect such as:
    - i. Myelodysplastic Syndrome/Acute Myeloid Leukemia (MDS/AML)
    - ii. Pneumonitis
- 5. Individual does not have severe renal impairment or end-stage renal disease (CrCl less than or equal to 30 mL/min)
- 6. Individual does not have severe hepatic impairment (Child-Pugh Class C)
- 7. There are no significant interacting drugs

**Renewal duration:** 12 months



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➤ Criteria for a request for non-FDA use or indication, treatment with dosing, frequency, or duration outside the FDA-approved dosing, frequency, and duration, refer to one of the following Pharmacy Coverage Guideline:

1. **Off-Label Use of Non-cancer Medications**
  2. **Off-Label Use of Cancer Medications**
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### Description:

Lynparza (olaparib) is indicated for the maintenance treatment in adult patients with deleterious or suspected deleterious germline or somatic *BRCA* mutated advanced epithelial ovarian, fallopian tube or primary peritoneal cancer who are in complete or partial response to first-line platinum-based chemotherapy; it is indicated in combination with bevacizumab for the maintenance treatment of adult patients with advanced epithelial ovarian, fallopian tube or primary peritoneal cancer who are in complete or partial response to first-line platinum-based chemotherapy and whose cancer is associated with homologous recombination deficiency (HRD)-positive status defined by either: a deleterious or suspected deleterious *BRCA* mutation, and/or genomic instability; it is indicated for the maintenance treatment of adult patients with recurrent epithelial ovarian, fallopian tube or primary peritoneal cancer, who are in complete or partial response to platinum-based chemotherapy; it is indicated for the treatment of adult patients with deleterious or suspected deleterious germline *BRCA*-mutated (*gBRCAm*) advanced ovarian cancer who have been treated with three or more prior lines of chemotherapy; it is indicated for the treatment of adult patients with deleterious or suspected deleterious *gBRCAm*, HER2-negative metastatic breast cancer, who have been treated with chemotherapy in the neoadjuvant, adjuvant, or metastatic setting. Patients with hormone receptor (HR)-positive breast cancer should have been treated with a prior endocrine therapy or be considered inappropriate for endocrine therapy; it is indicated for the maintenance treatment of adult patients with deleterious or suspected deleterious *gBRCAm* metastatic pancreatic adenocarcinoma whose disease has not progressed on at least 16 weeks of a first-line platinum-based chemotherapy regimen; and it is indicated for the treatment of adult patients with deleterious or suspected deleterious germline or somatic homologous recombination repair (HRR) gene-mutated metastatic castration-resistant prostate cancer (mCRPC) who have progressed following prior treatment with enzalutamide or abiraterone.

Olaparib is an inhibitor of poly-adenosine 5'-diphosphoribose (ADP-ribose) polymerase (PARP) enzymes, including PARP1, PARP2, and PARP3. PARP enzymes are involved in normal cellular homeostasis, such as DNA transcription, cell cycle regulation, and DNA repair. Olaparib has been shown to inhibit growth of select tumor cell lines *in vitro* and decrease tumor growth in mouse xenograft models of human cancer both as monotherapy or following platinum-based chemotherapy. *In vitro* studies have shown that olaparib-induced cytotoxicity may involve inhibition of PARP enzymatic activity and increased formation of PARP-DNA complex, resulting in disruption of cellular homeostasis and cell death.

BRCAAnalysis CDx™ is an *in vitro* diagnostic device intended for the qualitative detection and classification of variants in the protein coding regions and intron/exon boundaries of the *BRCA1* and *BRCA2* genes using genomic DNA obtained from whole blood specimens collected in EDTA. Results of the test are used as an aid in identifying ovarian cancer patients with deleterious or suspected deleterious germline *BRCA* variants eligible for treatment with Lynparza™ (olaparib). This assay is for professional use only and is to be performed only at Myriad Genetic Laboratories, a single laboratory site located at 320 Wakara Way, Salt Lake City, UT 84108.



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### **Resources:**

Lynparza (olaparib) tablet product information, revised by AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals, LP. 06-2021. Available at DailyMed <http://dailymed.nlm.nih.gov>. Accessed December 08, 2021.

National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN) Clinical Practice Guidelines in Oncology (NCCN Guidelines®): Breast Cancer Version 1.2022 – Updated November 24, 2021. Available at <https://www.nccn.org>. Accessed December 08, 2021.

National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN) Clinical Practice Guidelines in Oncology (NCCN Guidelines®): Ovarian Cancer Version 3.2021 – Updated September 09, 2021. Available at <https://www.nccn.org>. Accessed December 08, 2021.

National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN) Clinical Practice Guidelines in Oncology (NCCN Guidelines®): Pancreatic Adenocarcinoma Version 2.2021 – Updated February 25, 2021. Available at <https://www.nccn.org>. Accessed December 08, 2021.

National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN) Clinical Practice Guidelines in Oncology (NCCN Guidelines®): Prostate Cancer Version 2.2022 – Updated November 30, 2021. Available at <https://www.nccn.org>. Accessed December 08, 2021.

Off Label Use of Cancer Medications: A.R.S. §§ 20-826(R) & (S). Subscription contracts; definitions.

Off Label Use of Cancer Medications: A.R.S. §§ 20-1057(V) & (W). Evidence of coverage by health care service organizations; renewability; definitions.