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Amino Acid-Based Elemental Formulas

MP9355

Covered Service: Yes

Prior Authorization Required: No

Additional Information: Note: This policy does not apply to Individual Family Business (IFB) members whose plans are covered in Missouri, Illinois, or Wisconsin.

Coverage is dependent on applicable laws and provisions per state.

For enteral therapy, see [Outpatient Enteral Therapy MP9069](#)

Medicare Policy: Prior authorization is dependent on the member's Medicare coverage. Prior authorization is not required for Medicare Cost (Dean Care Gold) and Medicare Supplement (Select) when this service is provided by participating providers. Prior authorization is required if a member has Medicare primary and Dean Health Plan secondary coverage. This policy is not applicable to our Medicare Replacement products.

BadgerCare Plus Policy: Dean Health Plan covers this benefit when BadgerCare Plus also covers the benefit. Please refer to Forward Health: <https://www.forwardhealth.wi.gov/WIPortal/Default.aspx>

Dean Health Plan Medical Policy:

Amino Acid-Based Formulas

1.0 Amino acid based formulas (e.g., Neocate, EleCare, Nutramigen AA) **does not require** prior authorization and is considered medically necessary when **ANY** of the following criteria are met:

1.1 Member has with **EITHER** of the following diagnoses:

1.1.1 Cystic fibrosis

1.1.2 Amino acid, organic acid, fatty acid, metabolic and malabsorption disorders (e.g., phenylketonuria, hyperlysinemia, maple syrup urine disease); **OR**

1.2 Member has **ANY** of the following diagnoses and is five (5) years of age or younger:

1.2.1 IgE mediated allergies to food proteins

1.2.2 Food protein-induced enterocolitis syndrome

1.2.3 Eosinophilic esophagitis

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1.2.4 Eosinophilic gastroenteritis

1.2.5 Eosinophilic colitis

2.0 At any time, the health plan reserves the right to conduct a medical record review for written verification that criteria listed above have been met.

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