

Market Applicability															
Market	DC	FL & FHK	FL MMA	FL LTC	GA	KS	KY	LA	MD	NJ	NV	NY	TN	TX	WA
Applicable	X	X	N/A	N/A	X	N/A	X	X	X	X	X	X	N/A	N/A	X

*FHK- Florida Healthy Kids

Exjade (deferasirox)

Override(s)	Approval Duration
Prior Authorization	1 year

Medications
Exjade (deferasirox)

APPROVAL CRITERIA

Requests for Exjade (deferasirox) may be approved if the following criterion is met:

- I. Individual is using to treat chronic iron overload due to blood transfusions; **AND**
 - A. Individual is 2 years of age or older;**OR**
- II. Treatment of chronic iron overload with non-transfusion-dependent thalassemia (NTDT) syndrome; **AND**
 - A. Individual is 10 years of age or older; **AND**
 - B. Liver iron (Fe) concentration (LIC) is at least 5 mg Fe/gm of dry weight; **AND**
 - C. Serum Ferritin greater than (>) 300 mcg/L;**OR**
- III. Treatment of iron overload in individuals diagnosed with myelodysplastic syndromes (MDS) who are at lower risk or potential transplant candidates who have received greater than (>) 20 red blood cell transfusions (NCCN 2A, Myelodysplastic syndromes Version 1.2018).

Note: Exjade (deferasirox) has black box warnings for renal toxicity/failure, hepatic toxicity/failure, and gastrointestinal hemorrhage. Therapy requires close monitoring, including renal and hepatic function tests.

State Specific Mandates		
State name	Date effective	Mandate details (including specific bill if applicable)
N/A	N/A	N/A

Key References:

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This policy does not apply to health plans or member categories that do not have pharmacy benefits, nor does it apply to Medicare. Note that market specific restrictions or transition-of-care benefit limitations may apply.