

## POLICY AND PROCEDURE

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**POLICY TITLE:** *Xofigo (radium Ra 223 dichloride)*  
**DEPARTMENT:** *Clinical Pharmacy Services- Utilization Management*  
**ORIGINAL DATE:** *June 2013 (as adopted from UPMC Health Plan)*

**Last P & T Committee Approval Date:** *February 2018*

**Product Applicability:** *mark all applicable products below:*

<b>COMMERCIAL</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> HMO	<input type="checkbox"/> PPO	Products: <input type="checkbox"/> Small	Exchange: <input type="checkbox"/> Shop	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All
			<input type="checkbox"/> Indiv.	<input type="checkbox"/> Indiv.	
			<input type="checkbox"/> Large		
<b>OTHER</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Self-funded/ASO				

### PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to define the prior authorization process for Xofigo (radium Ra 223 dichloride)

Xofigo (radium Ra 223 dichloride) is indicated for the treatment of patients with castration-resistant prostate-cancer, symptomatic bone metastases and no known visceral metastatic disease.

### DEFINITIONS

N/A

### POLICY

It is the policy of the Health Plan to maintain a prior authorization process that promotes appropriate utilization of specific drugs with potential for misuse or limited indications. This process involves a review using Food and Drug Administration (FDA) criteria to make a determination of Medical Necessity, and approval by the Pharmacy &

Therapeutics Committee of the criteria for prior authorization, as described in RX.002 Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee and RX.003-Prior Authorization Process.

The drug, Xofigo (radium Ra 223 dichloride), is subject to the prior authorization process.

## PROCEDURE

### Initial Authorization Criteria:

*Must meet all of the criteria listed below:*

- Must be prescribed by a hematologist or oncologist
- Must have a diagnosis of castration-resistant prostate cancer
- Must be age 18 years or older
- Must have two or more symptomatic bone metastases
- Must not have evidence of visceral metastases
- Must have the following laboratory values:
  - Absolute neutrophil count (ANC)  $\geq 1.5 \times 10^9/L$
  - Platelet count  $\geq 100 \times 10^9/L$
  - Hemoglobin  $\geq 10$  g/dL
- Must not be used in combination with chemotherapy [e.g. Taxotere® (docetaxel) and Jevtana® (carbazitaxel)], other systemic radioisotopes (e.g. strontium-89 and samarium-153), or hemibody external radiotherapy

### Limitations:

Length of Authorization (if above criteria met)	
Initial Authorization	1 course of therapy (6-doses given at 4-week intervals) per lifetime
Reauthorization	N/A
Quantity Level Limit	
Xofigo	1 course (6 injections) per lifetime

If the established criteria are not met, the request is referred to a Medical Director for review.



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## REVIEW HISTORY

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