

<b>Title:</b> Zoladex	<b>Division:</b> Medical Management <b>Department:</b> Utilization Management
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## 1. POLICY DESCRIPTION:

Antineoplastic Agent- Gonadotropin-Releasing Hormone Agonist, Zoladex (goserelin acetate)

## 2. RESPONSIBLE PARTIES:

Medical Management Administration, Utilization Management, Integrated Care Management, Pharmacy, Claim Department, Providers Contracting.

## 3. DEFINITIONS:

Zoladex is a synthetic decapeptide luteinizing hormone-releasing hormone (LHRH) agonist analogue. It inhibits and suppresses the pituitary gonadotropin secretion.

## 4. POLICY:

### Initial Request:

- A. Member cannot obtain the medication through the patient assistance program (see Appendix A on enrollment) **AND**
- B. Use for an FDA-approved indication for which there are no alternative options: (see Appendix B)
  - a. Breast cancer, For palliation of advanced disease in pre- and peri-menopausal women  
*Approved x 12 months*
  - b. Abnormal uterine bleeding, Endometrial-thinning agent prior to endometrial ablation for dysfunctional uterine bleeding  
*Approved x 2 doses*

Note: If TerSera denies a patient enrollment in the patient assistance program the request for plan coverage should follow the medical exception review process and be approved only if there is no alternate therapy available. Plans should document why the drug is not covered by the patient assistance program as well as justification for coverage by the plan including strong clinical support and reason an alternate therapy cannot be used.

### Renewal Request:

- A. Member cannot obtain the medication through the patient assistance program (see Appendix A on enrollment) **AND**
- B. Another gonadotropin-releasing hormone (GnRH) product (i.e: leuprolide, histrelin, triptorelin) has been tried and failed **OR** if transition to another GnRH is medically contraindicated **AND**

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C. Use for an FDA-approved indication for which there are no alternative options: (see Appendix B)

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**5. LIMITATIONS/ EXCLUSIONS:**

N.A

**6. APPLICABLE PROCEDURE CODES:**

CPT	Description
J9202	Goserelin acetate implant, per 3.6 mg

**7. APPLICABLE DIAGNOSIS CODES:**

CODE	Description
C61	Prostate cancer
N80	Endometriosis
C50	Breast Cancer
N89.7	Dysfunctional Uterine Bleeding
N92.5	Dysfunctional Uterine Bleeding
N93.8	Dysfunctional Uterine Bleeding
C61	Prostate Cancer

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### Appendix A

For program applications for the patient assistance program and additional information please visit <https://www.zoladexhcp.com/access-support/> or contact TerSera Support Source at 855-686-8725.

### Appendix B

FDA-approved and Compendia-supported indications for Zoladex (goserelin)	Lupron (leuprolide acetate)	Eligard (leuprolide acetate)	Fensolvi (leuprolide acetate)	Vantas (histrelin acetate implants)	Supprelin LA (histrelin acetate implants)	Trelstar (triptorelin pamoate)	Triptodur (triptorelin pamoate)
<b>FDA Approved</b>							
<i>Breast cancer, For palliation of advanced disease in pre- and peri-menopausal women</i>							
<i>Endometriosis</i>	X (FDA Approved)					X (Compendia)	X (Compendia)
<i>Hypoplasia of endometrium</i>						X (Compendia)	X (Compendia)
<i>Prostate cancer, Advanced (palliative treatment)</i>	X (FDA Approved)	X (FDA Approved)		X (FDA Approved)		X (FDA Approved)	
<i>Abnormal uterine bleeding, Endometrial-thinning agent prior to endometrial ablation for dysfunctional uterine bleeding</i>							
<i>Prostate cancer, In combination with flutamide for locally confined stage B2-C disease</i>	X (Compendia)			X (Compendia)			
<b>Compendia Supported</b>							
<i>Abnormal uterine bleeding (chronic anovulatory uterine bleeding and severe anemia)</i>							



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Breast cancer, Adjuvant treatment of hormone receptor-positive, axillary lymph node-positive disease in premenopausal women	X (Compendia )		X (Compendia)				
Gender dysphoria - Male-to-female transsexual; Adjunct	X (Compendia )		X (Compendia)			X (Compendia)	X (Compendia)
In vitro fertilization	X (Compendia )		X (Compendia)			X (Compendia)	X (Compendia)
Precocious puberty	X (FDA Approved)		X (FDA Approved)		X (FDA Approved)		X (FDA Approved)
Prostate cancer	X (Compendia )		X (Compendia)				

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