

# Imfinzi (Durvalumab)

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**Policy type:** Medical Necessity

Authorizations are for 6 months, after which time they must be reviewed for efficacy, safety, and tolerability.

## Initial Approval Criteria

Coverage is provided for the following conditions:

### Universal Criteria Applied to All Requests

- Dose and frequency should be consistent with FDA labeling, NCCN, or indication specific peer-reviewed literature.
- Member has no history of prior PD-1/PD-L1 use.

### Indication Specific Criteria

#### Hepatobiliary Cancers

- Member has hepatocellular cancer; AND
  - Used as a single agent; AND
  - Used in the first-line setting; AND
  - Member has unresectable disease; AND
  - Member is not a transplant candidate; OR
    - Member has metastatic disease or extensive liver tumor burden; OR
- Member has biliary tract cancer; AND
  - Member has locally advanced, unresectable, recurrent, or metastatic disease; AND
  - Being used in combination with gemcitabine and cisplatin; AND
  - Used in the first-line setting; AND
  - In patients with recurrent disease, members should be at least 6 months post curative surgery; OR
    - Members should be at least 6 months post-completion of adjuvant therapy (chemotherapy and/or radiation)

#### Non-Small Cell Cancer

- Member has unresectable stage II-III disease; AND
- Being used as consolidative therapy as a single agent; AND
- Member has not had disease progression after definitive concurrent chemoradiation therapy

#### Small Cell Lung Cancer

- Used in the first-line setting; AND

- Member has extensive-stage disease; AND
- Used in combination with etoposide and either cisplatin or carboplatin followed by single agent maintenance therapy

## Billing

| Drug Name | HCPCS Code | Description             |
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| Imfinzi   | J9173      | Inj., durvalumab, 10 mg |

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