

Generic Name: Ribavirin

Therapeutic Class or Brand Name: Ribavirin

Applicable Drugs (if Therapeutic Class):

Copegus®, Moderiba™, Rebetol®, Ribasphere®, Ribavirin (generic).

GPI Code: 1235307000

Preferred: Ribavirin (generic)

Non-preferred: Copegus®, Moderiba™, Rebetol®, Ribasphere®

Date of Origin: 2/1/2013

Date Last Reviewed / Revised: 9/10/2019

PRIOR AUTHORIZATION CRITERIA

(May be considered medically necessary when criteria I through VI are met)

- I. Documented diagnosis of one of the following conditions A or B AND must meet criteria listed under applicable diagnosis:
 - A. Chronic Hepatitis C (CHC) Infection with confirmed genotypes 1, 2, 3, or 4 AND criterion 1 is met:
 1. Documentation that patient meets ONE of the following criteria a, b, or c:
 - a) Has a Metavir score of F3 (advanced fibrosis) or F4 (compensated cirrhosis).
 - b) Is post-liver transplant.
 - c) Has clinically severe extrahepatic manifestations of hepatitis C infection as evidenced by one of the following i or ii:
 - (1) Type 2 or 3 essential mixed cryoglobulinemia with end-organ manifestations (i.e. vasculitis).
 - (2) Proteinuria, nephrotic syndrome, or membranoproliferative glomerulonephritis.
 - B. Hepatocellular carcinoma and criterion 1 is met:
 1. The patient is awaiting liver transplantation.
- II. Documentation of patient's Hepatitis C treatment history and baseline viral load.
- III. Documentation that patient's hepatitis C drug therapy is prescribed as outlined in Tables 1 or 2 under Authorization in the Approval Length section.
- IV. Minimum age requirement: 3 years old.
- V. Prescriber is a Gastroenterologist, Infectious Disease Specialist, or Hepatologist.
- VI. Non-preferred products (i.e. Copegus®, Moderiba™, Rebetol®, Ribasphere®) require a documented clinical reason containing details as to why generic ribavirin is not appropriate or is contraindicated.

EXCLUSION CRITERIA

- Pregnant women and men whose female partners are pregnant.
- Hemoglobinopathies.
- Coadministration with didanosine.

OTHER CRITERIA

- N/A

QUANTITY / DAYS SUPPLY RESTRICTIONS

- Quantities of up to 180 tablets or capsules per 30 days.

APPROVAL LENGTH

- **Authorization:** See tables directly below. Table 1 contains information for genotypes 1 through 6, and table 2 contains information for hepatocellular carcinoma.

Table 1. Authorization information for Genotypes 1 through 6.

Drug Therapy	Cirrhosis	G1a		G1b		G2		G3		G4		G5		G6	
		TN	TE	TN	TE	TN	TE	TN	TE	TN	TE	TN	TE	TN	TE
Zepatier™ + RBV	No	16w ^t	12-16w ^{p4} , 16w ^{t1}		12w ⁴						16w ^{1b}				
	Comp	16w ^t	12-16w ^{p4} , 16w ^{t1}		12w ⁴						16w ^{1b}				
Epclusa® + RBV	No										12w ^{1~}				
	Comp							12w [~]	12w ¹						
	Comp & Post Transplant [^]					12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]						
	Decomp	12w	12w ⁵ , 24w ¹⁰	12w	12w ⁵ , 24w ¹⁰	12w	12w ⁵ , 24w ¹⁰	12w	12w ⁵ , 24w ¹⁰	12w	12w ⁵ , 24w ¹⁰	12w	12w ⁵ , 24w ¹⁰	12w	12w ⁵ , 24w ¹⁰
	Decomp & Post Transplant [^]					12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]						
Vosevi® + RBV	No														
	Comp									12w ⁸					
Viekira Pak™/XR™ + RBV	No	12w	12w ¹												
	No & Post Transplant [^]	24w [^]		24w [^]											
	Comp	24w	24w ¹												
Technivie™ + RBV	No									12w	12w ¹				
	Comp									12w	12w ¹				
Harvoni® + RBV	No		12w ^{9x}		12w ^{9x}										
	No & Post Transplant [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]					12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]
	Comp		12w ⁵		12w ⁵						12w ¹				

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	Decomp & Post Transplant [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]					12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]
Sovaldi® + RBV	No					12w	12w ¹	24w	24w ¹						
	Comp					12w	12w ¹	24w	24w ¹						
Daklinza® + Sovaldi® + RBV	No														
	No & Post Transplant [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]
	Comp							12w, 24w [~]							
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	Decomp & Post Transplant [^]					12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]						

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Table 2. Authorization Information for Hepatocellular Carcinoma.

Drug Therapy	Patient Characteristics	Authorization Duration
Sovaldi® + RBV	Hepatocellular Carcinoma Awaiting Liver Transplantation	Up to 48 weeks (or until liver transplantation, whichever occurs first)

RBV = ribavirin

- **Re-Authorization:** N/A

APPENDIX

N/A

REFERENCES

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6. http://rxabbvie.com/pdf/moderiba_PI.pdf .

HISTORICAL TRACKING OF CHANGES MADE TO POLICY

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2. **Changed table 1 below Authorization under Approval Length from (changes made highlighted in yellow):**

Table 1. Authorization information for Genotypes 1 through 4.

Drug Therapy	Cirrhosis	G1a		G1b		G2		G3		G4	
		TN	TE	TN	TE	TN	TE	TN	TE	TN	TE
Zepatier™ + RBV	No	16w ^t	12-16w ^{p4} , 16w ^{t1}		12w ⁴						16w ^{1b}
	Comp	16w ^t	12-16w ^{p4} , 16w ^{t1}		12w ⁴						16w ^{1b}
Eplclusa® + RBV	No						12w ²		12w ²		
	Comp						12w ²		12w ^{1.2}		
	Decomp	12w	12w	12w	12w	12w	12w	12w	12w	12w	12w
Viekira Pak™/XR™ + RBV	No	12w	12w ¹								
	No & Post Transplant [†]	24w [^]		24w [^]							
	Comp	24w	24w ¹								
Technivie™ + RBV	No									12w	12w ¹
	Comp									12w	12w ¹
Harvoni® + RBV	No		12w ³		12w ³						
	No & Post Transplant [†]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]					12w [^]	12w [^]
	Comp		12w ⁵ , 24w ³		12w ⁵ , 24w ³						12w ¹
	Comp & Post Transplant [†]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]					12w [^]	12w [^]
	Decomp	12w	12w ⁵	12w	12w ⁵					12w	12w
	Decomp & Post Transplant [†]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]					12w [^]	12w [^]
Sovaldi® + RBV	No & Post Transplant [†]					24w [^]	24w [^]				
	Comp & Post					24w [^]	24w [^]				

	Transplan †^											
	Decomp & Post Transplan †^					24w^	24w^					
Daklinza® + Sovaldi® + RBV	No									24w ²		
	No & Post Transplan †^	12w^	12w^	12w^	12w^	12w^	12w^	12w^	12w^	12w^	12w^	12w^
	Comp									24w ^{1,2}		
	Comp & Post Transplan †^	12w^	12w^	12w^	12w^	12w^	12w^	12w^	12w^	12w^	12w^	12w^
	Decomp	12w	12w	12w	12w	12w	12w	12w	12w	12w	12w	12w

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4For patients who have failed a NS3 protease inhibitor + pegIFN/RBV.

5For patients who have failed pegIFN/RBV +/- a NS3 protease inhibitor.

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Table 1. Authorization information for Genotypes 1 through 6.

Drug Therapy	Cirrhosis	G1a		G1b		G2		G3		G4		G5		G6	
		TN	TE	TN	TE	TN	TE	TN	TE	TN	TE	TN	TE	TN	TE
Zepatier™ + RBV	No	16w [†]	12- 16w ^{p4} , 16w ^{†1}		12w ⁴						16w ¹ b				
	Comp	16w [†]	12- 16w ^{p4} , 16w ^{†1}		12w ⁴						16w ¹ b				
Eplusa® + RBV	No									12w ¹					
	Comp							12w ¹	12w ¹						
	Comp & Post					12w ¹	12w ¹	12w ¹	12w ¹						

	Transplant [^]														
	Decomp	12w	12w ⁵ , 24w ¹⁰	12w	12w ⁵ , 24w ¹⁰	12w	12w ⁵ , 24w ¹⁰	12w	12w ⁵ , 24w ¹⁰	12w	12w ⁵ , 24w ¹⁰	12w	12w ⁵ , 24w ¹⁰	12w	12w ⁵ , 24w ¹⁰
	Decomp & Post Transplant [^]					12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]						
Vosevi® + RBV	No														
	Comp								12w ⁸						
Viekira Pak™/XR™ + RBV	No	12w	12w ¹												
	No & Post Transplant [^]	24w		24w [^]											
	Comp	24w	24w ¹												
Technivie™ + RBV	No									12w	12w ¹				
	Comp									12w	12w ¹				
Harvoni® + RBV	No		12w ^{9x}		12w ^{9x}										
	No & Post Transplant [^]	12w	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]					12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]
	Comp		12w ⁵		12w ⁵						12w ¹				
	Comp & Post Transplant [^]	12w	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]					12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]
	Decomp	12w	24w ¹¹	12w	24w ¹¹					12w	24w ¹¹	12w	24w ¹¹	12w	24w ¹¹
	Decomp & Post Transplant [^]	12w	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]					12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]
Sovaldi® + RBV	No						12w	12w ¹	24w ¹	24w ¹					
	Comp						12w	12w ¹	24w ¹	24w ¹					
Daklinza® + Sovaldi® + RBV	No														
	No & Post Transplant [^]	12w	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]
	Comp								12w ¹ , 24w ¹						
	Comp & Post Transplant [^]	12w	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]

	Decomp	12w		12w		12w		12w		12w					
	Decomp & Post Transplant [^]					12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]						

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8/12/2016

- Changed** "I. A. Chronic Hepatitis C (CHC) Infection with confirmed genotypes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or 6 AND..." to "Chronic Hepatitis C (CHC) Infection with confirmed genotypes 1, 2, 3, or 4 AND..." **under Prior Authorization Criteria.**
- Changed** "III. ...as outlined in Tables 1, 2, or 3 under Authorization in the Approval Length section" to "III. ...as outlined in Tables 1 or 2 under Authorization in the Approval Length section" **under Prior Authorization Criteria.**
- Changed** "See tables directly below. Table 1 contains information for genotypes 1 through 3, table 2 contains information for genotypes 4 through 6, and table 3 contains information for hepatocellular carcinoma" to "See tables directly below. Table 1 contains information for genotypes 1 through 4, and table 2 contains information for hepatocellular carcinoma" **following Authorization under Approval Length. Changed tables from (changes made highlighted in yellow):**

Table 1. Authorization information for Genotypes 1 through 3.

Drug Therapy	Cirrhosis	Authorization Information							
		G1a		G1b		G2		G3	
		TN	TE	TN	TE	TN	TE	TN	TE
Zepatier™ + RBV	No	16w [†]	12w ^{t5} , 16w ^{t5}		12w ⁵				
	Comp	16w [†]	12w ^{t4} , 16w ^{t5}		12w ⁴				
Viekira Pak™ + RBV	No	12w	12w ¹						
	No & Post Transplant [^]	24w [^]		24w [^]					

	Comp	24w	24w ¹						
Technivie™ + RBV	No								
	Comp								
Harvoni® + RBV	No		12w ³		12w ³				
	No & Post Transplant [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]				
	Comp		12w ⁵ , 24w ³		12w ⁵ , 24w ³				
	Comp & Post Transplant [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]				
	Decomp	12w	12w ⁵ , 24w ⁶	12w	12w ⁵ , 24w ⁶				
	Decomp & Post Transplant [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]				
Sovaldi® + RBV	No					12w	12w ¹	24w	
	No & Post Transplant [^]					24w [^]	24w [^]	24w [^]	24w [^]
	Comp					16-24w	16-24w ¹	24w	
	Comp & Post Transplant [^]					24w [^]	24w [^]	24w [^]	24w [^]
	Decomp & Post Transplant [^]					24w [^]	24w [^]		
Sovaldi® + pegIFN/RBV	No						12w ²	12w	12w ^{1,2}
	Comp						12w ^{1,2}	12w	12w ^{1,2}
Daklinza™ + Sovaldi® + RBV	No								24w ²
	No & Post Transplant [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]
	Comp								24w ^{1,2}
	Comp & Post Transplant [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]
	Decomp	12w		12w		12w		12w	

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³For patients who have failed sofosbuvir + RBV +/- pegIFN.

⁴For patients who have failed a NS3 protease inhibitor + pegIFN/RBV.

⁵For patients who have failed pegIFN/RBV +/- a NS3 protease inhibitor.

⁶For patients who have failed a sofosbuvir-based treatment.

Table 2. Authorization information for Genotypes 4 through 6.

Drug Therapy	Cirrhosis	Authorization Duration					
		G4		G5		G6	
		TN	TE	TN	TE	TN	TE
Zepatier™ + RBV	No		16w ¹ _b				
	Comp		16w ¹ _b				
Viekira Pak™ + RBV	No						
	No & Post Transplant [^]						
	Comp						
Technivie™ + RBV	No	12w	12w ¹				
	Comp	12w	12w ¹				
Harvoni® + RBV	No						
	No & Post Transplant [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]				
	Comp		12w ¹				
	Comp & Post Transplant [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]				
	Decomp	12w	24w ⁶				
	Decomp & Post Transplant [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]				
Sovaldi® + RBV	No		24w				
	No & Post Transplant [^]						
	Comp		24w				
	Comp & Post Transplant [^]						
	Decomp & Post Transplant [^]						
Sovaldi® + pegIFN/RBV	No	12w	12w	12w	12w ¹	12w	12w ¹
	Comp	12w	12w	12w	12w ¹	12w	12w ¹
Daklinza™ + Sovaldi® + RBV	No						
	No & Post Transplant [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]				
	Comp						
	Comp & Post Transplant [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]				
	Decomp	12w					

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 1bFor patients who experienced on-treatment virologic failure while on prior pegIFN/RBV therapy.
 4For patients who have failed a sofosbuvir-based treatment.

Table 3. Authorization Information for Hepatocellular Carcinoma.

Drug Therapy	Patient Characteristics	Authorization Duration
Sovaldi® + RBV	Hepatocellular Carcinoma Awaiting Liver Transplantation	Up to 48 weeks (or until liver transplantation, whichever occurs first)

RBV = ribavirin

to:

Table 1. Authorization information for Genotypes 1 through 4.

Drug Therapy	Cirrhosis	G1a		G1b		G2		G3		G4	
		TN	TE	TN	TE	TN	TE	TN	TE	TN	TE
Zepatier™ + RBV	No	16w ¹	12-16w ^{1,4} , 16w ¹¹		12w ⁴						16w ^b
	Comp	16w ¹	12-16w ^{1,4} , 16w ¹¹		12w ⁴						16w ^b
Epclusa® + RBV	No						12w ²		12w ²		
	Comp						12w ²		12w ^{1,2}		
	Decomp	12w	12w	12w	12w	12w	12w	12w	12w	12w	12w
Viekira Pak™/XR™ + RBV	No	12w	12w ¹								
	No & Post Transplant [^]	24w [^]		24w [^]							
	Comp	24w	24w ¹								
Technivie™ + RBV	No									12w	12w
	Comp									12w	12w
Harvoni® + RBV	No		12w ³		12w ³						
	No & Post Transplant [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]					12w [^]	12w
	Comp		12w ⁵ , 24w ³		12w ⁵ , 24w ³						12w
	Comp & Post Transplant [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]					12w [^]	12w
	Decomp	12w	12w ⁵	12w	12w ⁵					12w	12w
	Decomp & Post Transplant [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]					12w [^]	12w
Sovaldi® + RBV	No & Post Transplant [^]					24w [^]	24w [^]				

	Comp & Post Transplant [^]						24w [^]	24w [^]				
	Decomp & Post Transplant [^]						24w [^]	24w [^]				
Daklinza® + Sovaldi® + RBV	No									24w ²		
	No & Post Transplant [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]
	Comp									24w ^{1,2}		
	Comp & Post Transplant [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]
	Decomp	12w	12w	12w	12w	12w	12w	12w	12w	12w	12w	12w

TN = treatment naïve; TE = treatment experienced; Comp = compensated; Decomp = decompensated;

RBV = ribavirin; pegIFN = peginterferon; w = weeks

^tFor genotype 1a, Zepatier™ should be given alone for 12 weeks in patients without, or with ribavirin for 16 weeks in patients with, NS5A resistance-associated polymorphisms at amino acid positions 28, 30, 31, or 93.

^pPatients who have NS5A resistance-associated polymorphisms at amino acid positions 28, 30, 31, or 93 should have treatment extended to 16 weeks.

[^]For patients who develop HCV infection post-liver transplantation.

¹For patients who have failed pegIFN/RBV.

^{1b}For patients who experienced on-treatment virologic failure while on prior pegIFN/RBV therapy.

²For patients who have failed sofosbuvir + RBV.

³For patients who have failed sofosbuvir + RBV +/- pegIFN.

⁴For patients who have failed a NS3 protease inhibitor + pegIFN/RBV.

⁵For patients who have failed pegIFN/RBV +/- a NS3 protease inhibitor.

Table 2. Authorization Information for Hepatocellular Carcinoma.

Drug Therapy	Patient Characteristics	Authorization Duration
Sovaldi® + RBV	Hepatocellular Carcinoma Awaiting Liver Transplantation	Up to 48 weeks (or until liver transplantation, whichever occurs first)

RBV = ribavirin

3/21/2016

- Changed** “member” to “patient” throughout policy.
- Changed** “A. Chronic Hepatitis C (CHC) Infection with confirmed genotypes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or 6 AND criteria 1 and 2 are met: ...” to “A. Chronic Hepatitis C (CHC) Infection with confirmed genotypes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or 6 AND criterion 1 is met:...” and removed “2. Ribavirin must be used in combination with ONE of the following regimens a through l AND member must meet criteria listed with applicable regimen: a. Viekira Pak™ for genotype 1a AND criterion i is met: i. Member is treatment-naïve or has failed treatment with peginterferon + ribavirin; b. Viekira Pak™ for genotype 1a or 1b if member is a liver transplant recipient; c. Harvoni® for genotype 1 in members who have failed one of the following treatments i through iii: i. Peginterferon + ribavirin +/- protease inhibitor; ii. Sovaldi® + ribavirin +/- peginterferon; iii. Olysio® + Sovaldi®; d.

Sovaldi® for genotype 2 and criterion i is met: i. Member is treatment-naïve or has failed treatment with peginterferon + ribavirin; e. Sovaldi® + peginterferon for genotype 2 in members who have failed prior treatment with one of the following i or ii: i. Peginterferon + ribavirin; ii. Sovaldi® + ribavirin; f. Sovaldi® + peginterferon for genotype 3 AND one of criteria i or ii is met: i. Member is treatment-naïve; ii. Member has failed prior treatment with one of the following aa or ab: aa Peginterferon + ribavirin; ab Sovaldi® + ribavirin; g. Sovaldi® for genotype 3 AND both criteria i and ii are met: i. Member has documented intolerance or contraindication to peginterferon; ii. Member is treatment-naïve; h. Sovaldi® + Daklinza™ for genotype 3 AND both criteria i and ii are met: i. Member has documented intolerance or contraindication to peginterferon; ii. Member meets one of the following criteria aa or ab: aa Member has failed treatment with Sovaldi® + ribavirin; ab Member has cirrhosis AND has failed treatment with peginterferon + ribavirin; i. Technivie™ for genotype 4 without cirrhosis; j. Sovaldi® + peginterferon for genotype 4 AND both of criteria i and ii are met: i. Member has a documented intolerance or contraindication to both Harvoni® AND Technivie™; ii. Member is treatment-naïve or has failed prior treatment with peginterferon + ribavirin; k. Sovaldi® for genotype 4 AND all of criteria i through iii are met: i. Member has a documented intolerance or contraindication to both Harvoni® AND Technivie™; ii. Member has documented intolerance or contraindication to peginterferon; iii. Member is treatment-naïve or has failed prior treatment with peginterferon + ribavirin; l. Sovaldi® + peginterferon for genotypes 5 or 6 AND criterion i is met: i. Member has a documented intolerance or contraindication to Harvoni®" **under Prior Authorization Criteria.**

3. **Changed** "B. Hepatocellular carcinoma and criteria 1 and 2 are met: 1. The member is awaiting liver transplantation; 2. Ribavirin must be used in combination with Sovaldi®" **to** "B. Hepatocellular carcinoma and criterion 1 is met: 1. The patient is awaiting liver transplantation" **under Prior Authorization Criteria.**
4. **Added** "III. Documentation that patient's hepatitis C drug therapy is prescribed as outlined in Tables 1, 2, or 3 under Authorization in the Approval Length section." **under Prior Authorization.**
5. **Changed section following Authorization under Approval Length from:**
Authorization: See table directly below.

Patient Characteristics		Authorization Information	
Genotype, Other Features	Hepatitis C Treatment History	Treatment	Authorization Duration
1a, without cirrhosis	Treatment-naïve/ Treatment-experienced	Viekira Pak™ + ribavirin	12 weeks
1a, with cirrhosis	Treatment-naïve/ Treatment-experienced	Viekira Pak™ + ribavirin	24 weeks
1a or 1b, without cirrhosis	Treatment-experienced (failed: 1. Sovaldi® + ribavirin +/- peginterferon, OR 2. Olysio® + Sovaldi®)	Harvoni® + ribavirin	12 weeks

1a or 1b, with cirrhosis	Treatment-experienced <i>(failed peginterferon + ribavirin +/- protease inhibitor)</i>	Harvoni® + ribavirin	12 weeks
1a or 1b, with cirrhosis	Treatment-experienced <i>(failed:</i> 1. Sovaldi® + ribavirin +/- peginterferon, OR 2. Olysio® + Sovaldi®)	Harvoni® + ribavirin	24 weeks
1a or 1b	Liver Transplant Recipients	Viekira Pak™ + ribavirin	24 weeks
2, without cirrhosis	Treatment-naïve	Sovaldi® + ribavirin	12 weeks
2, with cirrhosis	Treatment-naïve	Sovaldi® + ribavirin	16 weeks
2	Treatment-experienced	Sovaldi® + ribavirin	16 to 24 weeks
		Sovaldi® + ribavirin + peginterferon	12 weeks
3, without cirrhosis	Treatment-naïve	Sovaldi® + ribavirin + peginterferon	12 weeks
		Sovaldi® + ribavirin	24 weeks
3, without cirrhosis	Treatment-experienced <i>(failed peginterferon + ribavirin)</i>	Sovaldi® + ribavirin + peginterferon	12 weeks
3, without cirrhosis	Treatment-experienced <i>(failed Sovaldi® + ribavirin)</i>	Sovaldi® + ribavirin + peginterferon	12 weeks
		Sovaldi® + Daklinza™ + ribavirin	24 weeks
3, with cirrhosis	Treatment-naïve	Sovaldi® + ribavirin + peginterferon	12 weeks
		Sovaldi® + ribavirin	24 weeks
3, with cirrhosis	Treatment-experienced	Sovaldi® + ribavirin + peginterferon	12 weeks
		Sovaldi® + Daklinza™ + ribavirin	24 weeks
Genotype 4, without cirrhosis	Treatment-naïve/ Treatment-experienced	Technivie™ + ribavirin	12 weeks
4	Treatment-naïve/ Treatment-experienced	Sovaldi® + ribavirin + peginterferon	12 weeks
		Sovaldi® + ribavirin	24 weeks

5 or 6	Treatment-naïve/ Treatment-experienced	Sovaldi® + ribavirin + peginterferon	12 weeks
Hepatocellular Carcinoma Awaiting Liver Transplantation		Sovaldi® + ribavirin	Up to 48 weeks (or until liver transplantation, whichever occurs first)

to:

Authorization: See tables directly below. Table 1 contains information for genotypes 1 through 3, table 2 contains information for genotypes 4 through 6, and table 3 contains information for hepatocellular carcinoma.

Table 1. Authorization information for Genotypes 1 through 3.

Drug Therapy	Cirrhosis	Authorization Information							
		G1a		G1b		G2		G3	
		TN	TE	TN	TE	TN	TE	TN	TE
Zepatier™ + RBV	No	16w [†]	12w ^{†5} , 16w ^{†5}		12w ⁵				
	Comp	16w [†]	12w ^{†4} , 16w ^{†5}		12w ⁴				
Viekira Pak™ + RBV	No	12w	12w ¹						
	No & Post Transplan ^{†^}	24w [^]		24w [^]					
	Comp	24w	24w ¹						
Technivie™ + RBV	No								
	Comp								
Harvoni® + RBV	No		12w ³		12w ³				
	No & Post Transplan ^{†^}	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]				
	Comp		12w ⁵ , 24w ³		12w ⁵ , 24w ³				
	Comp & Post Transplan ^{†^}	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]				
	Decomp	12w	12w ⁵ , 24w ⁶	12w	12w ⁵ , 24w ⁶				
	Decomp & Post Transplan ^{†^}	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]				
	No					12w	12w ¹	24w	

Sovaldi® + RBV	No & Post Transplan †^					24w^	24w^	24w^	24w^
	Comp					16-24w	16-24w ¹	24w	
	Comp & Post Transplan †^					24w^	24w^	24w^	24w^
	Decomp & Post Transplan †^					24w^	24w^		
Sovaldi® + pegIFN/RBV	No						12w ²	12w	12w ^{1,2}
	Comp						12w ^{1,2}	12w	12w ^{1,2}
Daklinza™ + Sovaldi® + RBV	No								24w ²
	No & Post Transplan †^	12w^	12w^	12w^	12w^	12w^	12w^	12w^	12w^
	Comp								24w ^{1,2}
	Comp & Post Transplan †^	12w^	12w^	12w^	12w^	12w^	12w^	12w^	12w^
	Decomp	12w		12w		12w		12w	

TN = treatment naïve; TE = treatment experienced; Comp = compensated; Decomp = decompensated;

RBV = ribavirin; pegIFN = peginterferon; w = weeks

†For genotype 1a, Zepatier™ should be given alone for 12 weeks in patients without, or with ribavirin for 16 weeks in patients with, NS5A resistance-associated polymorphisms at amino acid positions 28, 30, 31, or 93.

^For patients who develop HCV infection post-liver transplantation.

¹For patients who have failed pegIFN/RBV.

²For patients who have failed sofosbuvir + RBV.

³For patients who have failed sofosbuvir + RBV +/- pegIFN.

⁴For patients who have failed a NS3 protease inhibitor + pegIFN/RBV.

⁵For patients who have failed pegIFN/RBV +/- a NS3 protease inhibitor.

⁶For patients who have failed a sofosbuvir-based treatment.

Table 2. Authorization information for Genotypes 4 through 6.

Drug Therapy	Cirrhosis	Authorization Duration					
		G4		G5		G6	
		TN	TE	TN	TE	TN	TE
Zepatier™ + RBV	No		16w ¹ ^b				

	Comp		16w ¹ _b				
Viekira Pak™ + RBV	No						
	No & Post Transplant [^]						
	Comp						
Technivie™ + RBV	No	12w	12w ¹				
	Comp	12w	12w ¹				
Harvoni® + RBV	No						
	No & Post Transplant [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]				
	Comp		12w ¹				
	Comp & Post Transplant [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]				
	Decomp	12w	24w ⁶				
	Decomp & Post Transplant [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]				
Sovaldi® + RBV	No		24w				
	No & Post Transplant [^]						
	Comp		24w				
	Comp & Post Transplant [^]						
	Decomp & Post Transplant [^]						
Sovaldi® + pegIFN/RBV	No	12w	12w	12w	12w ¹	12w	12w ¹
	Comp	12w	12w	12w	12w ¹	12w	12w ¹
Daklinza™ + Sovaldi® + RBV	No						
	No & Post Transplant [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]				
	Comp						
	Comp & Post Transplant [^]	12w [^]	12w [^]				
	Decomp	12w					

TN = treatment naïve; TE = treatment experienced; Comp = compensated;

Decomp = decompensated;

RBV = ribavirin; pegIFN = peginterferon; w = weeks

[^]For patients who develop HCV infection post-liver transplantation.

¹For patients who have failed pegIFN/RBV.

^{1b}For patients who experienced on-treatment virologic failure while on prior pegIFN/RBV therapy.

⁶For patients who have failed a sofosbuvir-based treatment.

Table 3. Authorization Information for Hepatocellular Carcinoma.

Drug Therapy	Patient Characteristics	Authorization Duration
Sovaldi® + RBV	Hepatocellular Carcinoma Awaiting Liver Transplantation	Up to 48 weeks (or until liver transplantation, whichever occurs first)

RBV = ribavirin

6. **Changed** "<http://www.hcvguidelines.org/fullreport>" to "<http://hcvguidelines.org/full-report-view>" **under References.**
7. **Removed** "<http://www.connecticare.com/provider/PDFs/Pharmacy/Ribavirin.pdf>" **from References because link is no longer valid.**

12/7/2015

1. **Changed** "2. Ribavirin must be used in combination with ONE of the following regimens a through f: a. Viekira Pak™ for genotype 1a AND criterion i is met: i. Member is treatment-naïve or has failed prior treatment with peginterferon + ribavirin; b. Harvoni® for genotype 1 in treatment-experienced members with cirrhosis; c. Sovaldi® for genotype 2; d. Sovaldi® and peginterferon alfa for genotypes 3, 4, or 5; e. Sovaldi® for genotypes 3 or 4 AND criterion i is met: i. Member is peginterferon ineligible (i.e. the patient is intolerant to or has a contraindication to peginterferon); f. Sovaldi® and peginterferon alfa for genotype 6 and criterion i must be met: i. Member must have a documented contraindication to Harvoni®" to "2. Ribavirin must be used in combination with ONE of the following regimens a through l AND member must meet criteria listed with applicable regimen: a. Viekira Pak™ for genotype 1a AND criterion i is met: i. Member is treatment-naïve or has failed treatment with peginterferon + ribavirin; b. Viekira Pak™ for genotype 1a or 1b if member is a liver transplant recipient; c. Harvoni® for genotype 1 in members who have failed one of the following treatments i through iii: i. Peginterferon + ribavirin +/- protease inhibitor; ii. Sovaldi® + ribavirin +/- peginterferon; iii. Olysio® + Sovaldi®; d. Sovaldi® for genotype 2 and criterion i is met: i. Member is treatment-naïve or has failed treatment with peginterferon + ribavirin; e. Sovaldi® + peginterferon for genotype 2 in members who have failed prior treatment with one of the following i or ii: i. Peginterferon + ribavirin; ii. Sovaldi® + ribavirin; f. Sovaldi® + peginterferon for genotype 3 AND one of criteria i or ii is met: i. Member is treatment-naïve; ii. Member has failed prior treatment with one of the following aa or ab: aa. Peginterferon + ribavirin; ab. Sovaldi® + ribavirin; g. Sovaldi® for genotype 3 AND both criteria i and ii are met: i. Member has documented intolerance or contraindication to peginterferon; ii. Member is treatment-naïve; h. Sovaldi® + Daklinza™ for genotype 3 AND both criteria i and ii are met: i. Member has documented intolerance or contraindication to peginterferon; ii. Member meets one of the following criteria aa or ab: aa. Member has failed treatment with Sovaldi® + ribavirin; ab. Member has cirrhosis AND has failed treatment with peginterferon + ribavirin; i. Technivie™ for genotype 4 without cirrhosis; j. Sovaldi® + peginterferon for genotype 4 AND both of criteria i and ii are met: i. Member has a documented intolerance or contraindication to both Harvoni® AND Technivie™; ii. Member is treatment-naïve or has failed prior treatment with peginterferon + ribavirin; k. Sovaldi® for genotype 4 AND all of criteria i through iii are met: i. Member has a documented intolerance or contraindication to both Harvoni® AND Technivie™; ii. Member has documented intolerance or contraindication to peginterferon; iii. Member is treatment-naïve or has failed prior treatment with peginterferon + ribavirin; l. Sovaldi® + peginterferon for genotypes 5 or 6 AND criterion i is met: i. Member has a documented intolerance or contraindication to Harvoni®" **under Prior Authorization.**

2. **Changed** "II. Documentation of member's Hepatitis C treatment history" to "II. Documentation of member's Hepatitis C treatment history and baseline viral load" under **Prior Authorization Criteria**.
3. **Changed table from:**

Patient Characteristics		Authorization Information	
Genotype, Other Features	Hepatitis C Treatment History	Treatment	Authorization Duration
1a, without cirrhosis	Treatment-naïve/ Treatment-experienced	Viekira Pak™ + ribavirin	12 weeks
1a, with cirrhosis	Treatment-naïve/ Treatment-experienced	Viekira Pak™ + ribavirin	24 weeks
1b, with cirrhosis	Treatment-naïve/ Treatment-experienced	Viekira Pak™ + ribavirin	12 weeks
1a or 1b, with cirrhosis	Treatment-experienced	Harvoni® + ribavirin	12 weeks
1a or 1b	Liver Transplant Recipients	Viekira Pak™ + ribavirin	24 weeks
2	Treatment-naïve	Sovaldi® + ribavirin	12 weeks
2	Treatment-experienced	Sovaldi® + ribavirin	12 weeks to 16 weeks
		Sovaldi® + peginterferon alfa + ribavirin	12 weeks
3, 4, 5, or 6	Treatment-naïve/ Treatment-experienced	Sovaldi® + peginterferon alfa + ribavirin	12 weeks
3 or 4	Treatment-naïve/ Treatment-experienced, peginterferon ineligible	Sovaldi® + ribavirin	24 weeks
4	Treatment-naïve/ Treatment-experienced	Viekira Pak™ + ribavirin	12 weeks
5	Treatment-naïve/ Treatment-experienced	peginterferon alfa + ribavirin	48 weeks
Hepatocellular Carcinoma Awaiting Liver Transplantation		Sovaldi® + ribavirin	Up to 48 weeks (or until liver transplantation, whichever occurs first)

to:

Patient Characteristics		Authorization Information	
Genotype, Other Features	Hepatitis C Treatment History	Treatment	Authorization Duration
1a, without cirrhosis	Treatment-naïve/ Treatment-experienced	Viekira Pak™ + ribavirin	12 weeks

	1a, with cirrhosis	Treatment-naïve/ Treatment-experienced	Viekira Pak™ + ribavirin	24 weeks
	1a or 1b, without cirrhosis	Treatment-experienced <i>(failed:</i> 1. Sovaldi® + ribavirin +/- peginterferon, OR 2. Olysio® + Sovaldi®)	Harvoni® + ribavirin	12 weeks
	1a or 1b, with cirrhosis	Treatment-experienced <i>(failed peginterferon + ribavirin +/- protease inhibitor)</i>	Harvoni® + ribavirin	12 weeks
	1a or 1b, with cirrhosis	Treatment-experienced <i>(failed:</i> 1. Sovaldi® + ribavirin +/- peginterferon, OR 2. Olysio® + Sovaldi®)	Harvoni® + ribavirin	24 weeks
	1a or 1b	Liver Transplant Recipients	Viekira Pak™ + ribavirin	24 weeks
	2, without cirrhosis	Treatment-naïve	Sovaldi® + ribavirin	12 weeks
	2, with cirrhosis	Treatment-naïve	Sovaldi® + ribavirin	16 weeks
	2	Treatment-experienced	Sovaldi® + ribavirin	16 to 24 weeks
			Sovaldi® + ribavirin + peginterferon	12 weeks
	3, without cirrhosis	Treatment-naïve	Sovaldi® + ribavirin + peginterferon	12 weeks
			Sovaldi® + ribavirin	24 weeks
	3, without cirrhosis	Treatment-experienced <i>(failed peginterferon + ribavirin)</i>	Sovaldi® + ribavirin + peginterferon	12 weeks
	3, without cirrhosis	Treatment-experienced <i>(failed Sovaldi® + ribavirin)</i>	Sovaldi® + ribavirin + peginterferon	12 weeks
			Sovaldi® + Daklinza™ + ribavirin	24 weeks
	3, with cirrhosis	Treatment-naïve	Sovaldi® + ribavirin + peginterferon	12 weeks
			Sovaldi® + ribavirin	24 weeks
	3, with cirrhosis	Treatment-experienced	Sovaldi® + ribavirin + peginterferon	12 weeks

			Sovaldi® + Daklinza™ + ribavirin	24 weeks
4	Treatment-naïve/ Treatment-experienced		Sovaldi® + ribavirin + peginterferon	12 weeks
			Sovaldi® + ribavirin	24 weeks
Genotype 4, without cirrhosis	Treatment-naïve/ Treatment-experienced		Technivie™ + ribavirin	12 weeks
5 or 6	Treatment-naïve/ Treatment-experienced		Sovaldi® + ribavirin + peginterferon	12 weeks
Hepatocellular Carcinoma Awaiting Liver Transplantation			Sovaldi® + ribavirin	Up to 48 weeks (or until liver transplantation, whichever occurs first)
following Authorization under Approval Length.				
5/20/2015	<p>Changed "1. Documentation that member meets ONE of the following criteria a through i: a. Has a Metavir score of F2 (fibrosis), F3 (advanced fibrosis), or F4 (compensated cirrhosis); b. Is post-liver transplant; c. Has clinically severe extrahepatic manifestations of hepatitis C infection as evidenced by one of the following i or ii: i. Type 2 or 3 essential mixed cryoglobulinemia with end-organ manifestations (i.e. vasculitis); ii. Proteinuria, nephrotic syndrome, or membranoproliferative glomerulonephritis; d. Is coinfecting with HIV-1; e. Is coinfecting with Hepatitis B virus (HBV); f. Has other coexistent liver disease [i.e. nonalcoholic steatohepatitis (NASH)]; g. Has debilitating fatigue as evidenced by the documentation of significant limitations of instrumental activities of daily living (i.e. meal preparation, household chores, etc.); h. Has Type 2 diabetes mellitus (insulin resistant); i. Has porphyria cutanea tarda" to "1. Documentation that member meets ONE of the following criteria a, b, or c: a. Has a Metavir score of F3 (advanced fibrosis) or F4 (compensated cirrhosis); b. Is post-liver transplant; c. Has clinically severe extrahepatic manifestations of hepatitis C infection as evidenced by one of the following i or ii: i. Type 2 or 3 essential mixed cryoglobulinemia with end-organ manifestations (i.e. vasculitis); Proteinuria, nephrotic syndrome, or membranoproliferative glomerulonephritis" under Prior Authorization Criteria.</p>			
4/1/2015	<p>1. Changed "1. Documentation that member meets ONE of the following criteria a, b, or c: a. Has a Metavir score of F3 (advanced fibrosis) or F4 (compensated cirrhosis); b. Is post-liver transplant; c. Has clinically severe extrahepatic manifestations of hepatitis C infection as evidenced by one of the following i or ii: i. Type 2 or 3 essential mixed cryoglobulinemia with end-organ manifestations (i.e. vasculitis); Proteinuria, nephrotic syndrome, or membranoproliferative glomerulonephritis" to "1. Documentation that member meets ONE of the following criteria a through i: a. Has a Metavir score of F2 (fibrosis), F3 (advanced fibrosis), or F4 (compensated cirrhosis); b. Is post-liver transplant; c. Has clinically severe extrahepatic manifestations of hepatitis C infection as evidenced by one of the following i or ii: i. Type 2 or 3</p>			

	<p>essential mixed cryoglobulinemia with end-organ manifestations (i.e. vasculitis); ii. Proteinuria, nephrotic syndrome, or membranoproliferative glomerulonephritis; d. Is coinfecting with HIV-1; e. Is coinfecting with Hepatitis B virus (HBV); f. Has other coexistent liver disease [i.e. nonalcoholic steatohepatitis (NASH)]; g. Has debilitating fatigue as evidenced by the documentation of significant limitations of instrumental activities of daily living (i.e. meal preparation, household chores, etc.); h. Has Type 2 diabetes mellitus (insulin resistant); i. Has porphyria cutanea tarda" under Prior Authorization Criteria.</p> <p>2. Changed "1. Ribavirin must be used in combination with ONE of the following regimens a through f: a. Viekira Pak™ for genotype 1" to "1. Ribavirin must be used in combination with ONE of the following regimens a through f: a. Viekira Pak™ for genotypes 1 or 4" under Prior Authorization Criteria.</p> <p>3. Added "4: Treatment-naïve/Treatment-experienced: Viekira Pak™ + ribavirin: 12 weeks" for Genotype, Other Features: Hepatitis C Treatment History: Treatment: Authorization Duration on table under Approval Length.</p>
<p>2/13/2015</p>	<p>1. Removed "Sovaldi® + Olysio® +/- ribavirin" information from table under Authorization under Approval Length.</p>
<p>2/12/2015</p>	<p>1. Changed "Preferred: Ribavirin (generic), Rebetol®; Non-Preferred: Copegus®, Ribasphere®" to "Ribavirin" under Therapeutic Class or Brand Name.</p> <p>2. Changed "N/A" to "Preferred: Ribavirin (generic); Non-Preferred: Copegus®, Moderiba™, Rebetol®, Ribasphere®" under Applicable Drugs (if Therapeutic Class).</p> <p>3. Changed Prior Authorization Criteria from: "I. Clinically diagnosed Hepatitis C with detectable serum HCV RNA levels; II. Must be used in combination with peginterferon alfa-2a or interferon alpha-2b; III. Liver biopsy results are obtained unless liver biopsy is contraindicated or there is documentation of compensated cirrhosis based on imaging studies; IV. If patient meets criteria, ribavirin 200 mg tablets or capsules will only be approved. Other dosage forms may be approved if the generic form of ribavirin is contraindicated; V. Minimum age requirement: 3 years old; VI. Prescriber is a Gastroenterologist, Infectious Disease Specialist, or Hepatologist"</p> <p>to:</p> <p>"I. Documented diagnosis of one of the following conditions A or B AND must meet criteria listed under applicable diagnosis: A. Chronic Hepatitis C (CHC) Infection with confirmed genotypes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or 6 AND criteria 1 and 2 are met: 1. Documentation that member meets ONE of the following criteria a, b, or c: a. Has a Metavir score of F3 (advanced fibrosis) or F4 (compensated cirrhosis); b. Is post-liver transplant; c. Has clinically severe extrahepatic manifestations of hepatitis C infection as evidenced by one of the following i or ii: i. Type 2 or 3 essential mixed cryoglobulinemia with end-organ manifestations (i.e. vasculitis); ii. Proteinuria, nephrotic syndrome, or membranoproliferative glomerulonephritis; 2. Ribavirin must be used in combination with ONE of the following regimens a through f: a. Viekira Pak™ for genotype 1; b. Harvoni® for genotype 1 in treatment-experienced members with cirrhosis; c. Sovaldi® for genotype 2; d. Sovaldi® and peginterferon alfa for genotypes 3, 4, or 5; e. Sovaldi® for genotypes 3 or 4 AND criterion i is met: i. Member is peginterferon ineligible (i.e. the patient is intolerant to or has a contraindication to peginterferon); f. Sovaldi® and peginterferon alfa for genotype 6 and criterion i must be met: i. Member must have a documented contraindication to Harvoni®; B. Hepatocellular carcinoma and criteria 1 and 2 are met: 1. The member</p>

is awaiting liver transplantation; 2. Ribavirin must be used in combination with Sovaldi®; II. Documentation of member's Hepatitis C treatment history; III. Minimum age requirement: 3 years old; IV. Prescriber is a Gastroenterologist, Infectious Disease Specialist, or Hepatologist; V. Non-preferred products (i.e. Copegus®, Moderiba™, Rebeto®, Ribasphere®) require a documented clinical reason containing details as to why generic ribavirin is not appropriate or is contraindicated”.

4. **Removed** “Autoimmune hepatitis” **from Exclusion Criteria.**
5. **Changed** “Quantities of up to 210 tablets or capsules per 30 days” **to** “Quantities of up to 180 tablets or capsules per 30 days” **under Quantity/Days Supply Restrictions.**
6. **Changed Authorization under Approval Length from** “One 24 week supply” **to** “See table directly below”.
7. **Added the following table under Authorization under Approval Length:**

Patient Characteristics		Authorization Information	
Genotype, Other Features	Hepatitis C Treatment History	Treatment	Authorization Duration
1a, without cirrhosis	Treatment-naïve/ Treatment-experienced	Viekira Pak™ + ribavirin	12 weeks
		Sovaldi® + Olysio® +/- ribavirin	12 weeks
1a, with cirrhosis	Treatment-naïve/ Treatment-experienced	Viekira Pak™ + ribavirin	24 weeks
		Sovaldi® + Olysio® +/- ribavirin	24 weeks
1b, without cirrhosis	Treatment-experienced	Sovaldi® + Olysio® +/- ribavirin	12 weeks
1b, with cirrhosis	Treatment-naïve/ Treatment-experienced	Viekira Pak™ + ribavirin	12 weeks
	Treatment-experienced	Sovaldi® + Olysio® +/- ribavirin	24 weeks
1a or 1b, with cirrhosis	Treatment-experienced	Harvoni® + ribavirin	12 weeks
1a or 1b	Liver Transplant Recipients	Viekira Pak™ + ribavirin	24 weeks
2	Treatment-naïve	Sovaldi® + ribavirin	12 weeks
2	Treatment-experienced	Sovaldi® + ribavirin	12 weeks to 16 weeks
		Sovaldi® + peginterferon alfa + ribavirin	12 weeks

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	<p>8. Changed Re-Authorization under Approval Length from "Coverage may be extended for an additional 24 weeks if patient has HCV genotype 1 or 4 AND HCV RNA levels are undetectable after 24 weeks of treatment" to "N/A".</p> <p>9. Added "http://www.hcvguidelines.org/fullreport" and "http://rxabbvie.com/pdf/moderiba_PL.pdf" under References.</p>												
12/27/2013	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Adapted policy to new format. Added GPI code. Added the following to Exclusion Criteria: "Pregnant women and men whose female partners are pregnant"; "Hemoglobinopathies"; "Coadministration with didanosine"; "Autoimmune hepatitis". Changed Quantity/Days Supply Restrictions from "210 capsules per 30 days" to "Quantities of up to 210 tablets or capsules per 30 days". Updated references to include Medi-Span and package inserts. 												

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