

Clinical Policy Title:	Alopecia Areata
Policy Number:	RxA.913
Drug(s) Applied:	Leqselvi, Litfulo
Original Policy Date:	12/11/2025
Last Review Date:	12/11/2025
Line of Business Policy Applies to:	All lines of business (except Medicare)

Criteria

I. Initial Approval Criteria

A. Alopecia Areata (must meet all):

1. Documented diagnosis of alopecia areata (AA);
2. Patient does not have androgenetic alopecia, chemotherapy-induced hair loss, trichotillomania, or telogen effluvium;
3. SALT score of ≥ 50 ;
4. Condition has lasted ≥ 6 months without spontaneous regrowth;
5. Inadequate response or relapse after receiving one of the following therapies unless contraindicated or side effects experienced:
 - a. Trial of high potency corticosteroid therapy via oral, topical, or intralesional injection route
 - b. Trial of topical immunotherapy (e.g. DPCP [diphenylcyclopropenone] or SADBE [squaric acid dibutyl ester])
 - c. Trial of conventional oral immunosuppressant (e.g. methotrexate, cyclosporine, azathioprine)
 - d. Trial of hydroxychloroquine, Anthralin, or ketoconazole shampoo, minoxidil

Approval duration

All Lines of Business (except Medicare): 6 months, Split-fill (Leqselvi)

II. Continued Therapy Approval

A. Indication (must meet all):

1. Auto-approval based on lookback functionality within the past 120 days as a proxy for member responding positively to therapy with RxAdvance initial approval

Approval duration

All Lines of Business (except Medicare): 12 months

References

1. American Academy of Dermatology, Hair loss types: Alopecia areata diagnosis and treatment. <https://www.aad.org/public/diseases/hair-loss/types/alopecia/treatment>.

Review/Revision History	Review/Revised Date	P&T Approval Date
Policy established.	11/18/2025	12/11/2025

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