

**Policy Name:** Tziel (teplizumab)

**Policy#:** 3187P

## Purpose of the Policy

The purpose of this policy is to define coverage criteria for Tziel (teplizumab).

## Statement of the Policy

Health Alliance Medical Plans and Health Alliance Northwest will approve the use of Tziel (teplizumab) under the specialty medical or Medicare part B benefit if the following criteria are met.

## Criteria

### 1. Coverage Criteria

- 1.1 Documented diagnosis of stage 2 type 1 diabetes at risk for progressing to clinical disease as supported by all of the following:
  - Presence of at least two positive pancreatic islet autoantibody samples within the past 6 months (examples of antibodies include glutamic acid decarboxylase 65 (GAD) autoantibody, insulin autoantibody (IAA), insulinoma-associated antigen 2 autoantibody (IA-2A), zinc transporter 8 autoantibody (ZnT8A), islet cell autoantibody (ICA).
  - Presence of abnormal blood sugar levels without always high blood sugar levels
  - Family relative with type 1 diabetes
- 1.2 Prescribed by or in consultation with an endocrinologist (hormone doctor)
- 1.3 Age 8 years or older
- 1.4 Clinical review for coverage is completed by both a pharmacist and medical director

### 2. Exclusion Criteria

- 2.1 Type 1 diabetes stage 3
- 2.2 Type 2 diabetes

### 3. Approval Period

- 3.1 14-day treatment within 12 months
- 3.2 One approval per lifetime

## CPT Codes

## HCPCS Codes

J9381	Injection, teplizumab-mzwv, 5 mcg
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