# **Somatostatin Analogs**



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# **Applicable Products:**

Lanreotide Acetate

Sandostatin LAR Depot (octreotide acetate)

Somatuline (lanreotide acetate)

#### Initial Approval Criteria:

Coverage may be approved if all of the following are met:

- Disease-specific criteria; AND
- If applicable: Trial and failure, intolerance, or a contraindication to the preferred products as listed in the medical drug list

# Acromegaly (lanreotide acetate, Sandostatin LAR Depot, Somatuline)

 Patient had an inadequate response to surgery and/or radiotherapy (or surgery and/or radiotherapy is not an option)

# Carcinoid Tumors (Sandostatin LAR Depot

Patient has severe diarrhea and flushing episodes associated with metastatic carcinoid tumors

## Carcinoid Syndrome (Somatuline)

- Patient is 18 years of age or older; AND
- Agent will be used to reduce the need for the use of short-acting somatostatin treatment

# <u>Gastroenteropancreatic Neuroendocrine Tumors (lanreotide acetate, Somatuline)</u>

- Patient is 18 years of age or older; AND
- Patient has unresectable, well or moderately differentiated, locally advanced or metastatic gastroenteropancreatic neuroendocrine tumors (GEP-NETs)

# <u>Vasoactive Intestinal Peptide Tumors (VIPomas) (Sandostatin LAR Depot)</u>

Patient has profuse watery diarrhea associated with VIP-secreting tumors

# Renewal Criteria:

Coverage may be renewed if all of the following are met:

- Patient continues to meet Initial Approval Criteria; AND
- Absence of unacceptable toxicity

#### Length of Authorization:

#### 12 months

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