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# EDITOR'S CHOICE

#### **New Programs**

The BCCA Provincial Systemic Therapy Program has approved the following new program effective 1 January 2017:

#### Lymphoma:

**Bendamustine With Rituximab for Previously Untreated Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia (CLL) or Small Lymphocytic Lymphoma (SLL) (ULYCLLFBR)** – Fludarabine-based chemotherapy is the standard first-line therapy for CLL and SLL. However, in patients who are not suitable for this intensive therapy, bendamustine with rituximab is now available as an alternative upfront treatment. A recently published phase III, randomized study (CLL10 Study) compared bendamustine and rituximab against fludarabine, cyclophosphamide and rituximab (FCR).<sup>1</sup> In this trial, the two treatment arms were equally effective in improving overall survival, but FCR demonstrated superior median progression free survival (55.2 mo vs. 41.7 mo). Bendamustine with rituximab was, however, better tolerated particularly in elderly patients over 65 years of age.

### **CANCER DRUG MANUAL**

#### **ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CDM CONTRIBUTORS**

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## **BENEFIT DRUG LIST**

#### **New Programs**

Effective 1 January 2017, the following BCCA treatment program has been added to the BCCA <u>Benefit Drug</u> <u>List</u>:

Protocol Title	Protocol Code	Benefit Status
Treatment of Previously Untreated Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia (CLL) with Bendamustine and riTUXimab	ULYCLLFBR	Restricted

## LIST OF NEW AND REVISED PROTOCOLS, PRE-PRINTED ORDERS AND PATIENT HANDOUTS

**BC Cancer Agency Protocol Summaries, Provincial Pre-Printed Orders (PPPOs) and Patient Handouts** are revised periodically. New, revised or deleted protocols, PPPOs and patient handouts for this month are listed below. Protocol codes for treatment requiring BCCA Compassionate Access Program approval are prefixed with the letter "U".

#### NEW PROTOCOLS, PPPOS AND PATIENT HANDOUTS (AFFECTED DOCUMENTS ARE CHECKED)

CODE	Protocol	РРРО	Patient Handout	Protocol Title	
ULYCLLFBR	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$		Treatment of Previously Untreated Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia (CLL) with Bendamustine and riTUXimab	

REVISED PROTOCOLS, PPPOS AND PATIENT HANDOUTS (AFFECTED DOCUMENTS ARE CHECKED)						
CODE	Protocol	РРРО	Patient Handout	Changes Protocol Title		
BRAVCLOD	$\checkmark$			Reference to Class II deleted	For Therapy of Bone Metastases in Breast Cance Using Oral Clodronate	
GICOXB		V		Reference to Class II deleted	Palliative Combination Chemotherapy for Metastatic Colorectal Cancer Using Oxaliplatin, Bevacizumab and Capecitabine	
UGIOCTLAR	V	$\mathbf{\overline{A}}$		Dosing clarified	Symptomatic Management of Functional Carcinoid and Neuroendocrine Tumors of the GI Tract Using Octreotide	
GOOVDDCAT	V	$\mathbf{\overline{A}}$		Size of filter specified	Treatment of Advanced Epithelial Ovarian, Primary Peritoneal, or Fallopian Tube Carcinoma Using CARBOplatin and Weekly PACLitaxel	
GOOVETO	V			Reference to Class II deleted	Treatment of Relapsed/Progressing Epithelial Ovarian, Primary Peritoneal, or Fallopian Tube Carcinoma Using Etoposide	
ULKCMLP	$\checkmark$			Caution in elderly clarified	Treatment of Chronic Myeloid Leukemia and Ph+ Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia Using Ponatinib	
LUSCPI	V	$\checkmark$		Reference to Class II deleted	Second-Line Treatment of Extensive Stage Small Cell Lung Cancer (SCLC) with Irinotecan with or without Platinum	
LYCSPA	V			Reference to Class II deleted	Cyclosporine for Cytopenias Associated with Lymphoproliferative Disorder of Large Granular Lymphocytes	
LYCVPPABO	V			Minor typo corrected in Baseline Tests	Treatment of Hodgkin's Disease with Cyclophosphamide, vinBLAStine, Procarbazine and predniSONE	
MYBORMTN	V			Reference to UMYBORREL deleted	Maintenance Therapy of Multiple Myeloma Using Bortezomib for Patients with the High-Risk Chromosome Abnormality	
MYBORREL	V			Protocol Code in footer corrected	Treatment of Relapsed Multiple Myeloma Using Bortezomib, Dexamethasone with or without Cyclophosphamide	
MYMPBOR	V			CAP requirement for further treatment clarified	Treatment of Multiple Myeloma using Melphalan, Prednisone and Weekly Bortezomib with the Option of Substituting Cyclophosphamide for Melphalan	

REVISED PROTOCOLS, PPPOS AND PATIENT HANDOUTS (AFFECTED DOCUMENTS ARE CHECKED)						
CODE	Protocol	РРРО	Patient Handout	Changes Protocol Title		
UMYLENDEX	$\checkmark$			Dosing for renal dysfunction clarified	Therapy of Multiple Myeloma Using Lenalidomide with Dexamethasone	
SCPAINLI	$\checkmark$			Dosing interval updated	Extreme Pain Therapy Using Parenteral Lidocaine	

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Systemic Therapy Update	www.bccancer.bc.ca/health-professionals/professional-resources/systemic-therapy/systemic-therapy-update
Reimbursement & Forms: Benefit Drug List, Class II, Compassionate Access Program	www.bccancer.bc.ca/health-professionals/professional-resources/systemic-therapy
Cancer Drug Manual	www.bccancer.bc.ca/health-professionals/professional-resources/cancer-drug-manual
Cancer Management Guidelines	www.bccancer.bc.ca/health-professionals/professional-resources/cancer-management- guidelines
Cancer Chemotherapy Protocols, Pre-Printed Orders, Protocol Patient Handouts	www.bccancer.bc.ca/health-professionals/professional-resources/chemotherapy-protocols
Systemic Therapy Program Policies	www.bccancer.bc.ca/health-professionals/professional-resources/systemic-therapy
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