

## Clinical Policy: Colonoscopy Preparation Products

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### Description

Colonoscopy preparation products contain a combination of osmotic laxatives, stimulant laxatives, and electrolytes used for cleansing of the colon to allow for imaging during a colonoscopy.

### FDA Approved Indication(s)

GoLYTELY<sup>®</sup> and Colyte<sup>®</sup> are indicated for cleansing of the colon in preparation for colonoscopy and barium enema X-ray examination in adults

Clenpiq<sup>™</sup>, OsmoPrep<sup>®</sup>, Plenvu<sup>®</sup> and Prepopik<sup>®</sup> are indicated for cleansing of the colon as a preparation for colonoscopy in adults

### Policy/Criteria

*Provider must submit documentation (such as office chart notes, lab results or other clinical information) supporting that member has met all approval criteria.*

It is the policy of health plans affiliated with Centene Corporation<sup>®</sup> that Clenpiq, Colyte, GoLYTELY, OsmoPrep, Plenvu, and Prepopik are **medically necessary** when the following criteria are met:

### I. Initial Approval Criteria

#### A. Colonoscopy Preparation (must meet all):

1. Failure of Suprep<sup>®</sup> or MoviPrep<sup>®</sup> unless contraindicated or clinically significant adverse effects are experienced.

**Approval duration: Length of Benefit**

#### B. Other diagnoses/indications

1. Refer to the off-label use policy for the relevant line of business if diagnosis is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized): CP.CPA.09 for commercial.

### II. Continued Therapy

#### A. Colonoscopy Preparation (must meet all):

1. Currently receiving medication via Centene benefit or member has previously met initial approval criteria.

**Approval duration: Length of Benefit**

**B. Other diagnoses/indications** (must meet 1 or 2):

1. Currently receiving medication via Centene benefit and documentation supports positive response to therapy.  
**Approval duration: Duration of request or 12 months (whichever is less);** or
2. Refer to the off-label use policy for the relevant line of business if diagnosis is NOT specifically listed under section III (Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized): CP.CPA.09 for commercial.

**III. Diagnoses/Indications for which coverage is NOT authorized:**

- A. Non-FDA approved indications, which are not addressed in this policy, unless there is sufficient documentation of efficacy and safety according to the off label use policy – CP.CPA.09 or evidence of coverage documents.

**IV. Appendices/General Information**

*Appendix A: Abbreviation/Acronym Key*

FDA: Food and Drug Administration

*Appendix B: Therapeutic Alternatives*

*This table provides a listing of preferred alternative therapy recommended in the approval criteria. The drugs listed here may not be a formulary agent for all relevant lines of business and may require prior authorization.*

Drug Name	Dosing Regimen	Dose Limit/ Maximum Dose
MoviPrep	<p>Administer 2 L total with an additional 1 L of clear fluid prior to colonoscopy as follows:</p> <p><u>Split dose (2 day regimen) (preferred method):</u>                      Dose 1: Evening before colonoscopy (10-12 hours before dose 2): 240 mL (8 oz) every 15 minutes until 1 L (entire contents of container) is consumed. Then fill container with 480 mL (16 oz) of clear liquid and consume prior to going to bed.</p> <p>Dose 2: On the morning of the colonoscopy (beginning at least 3.5 hours prior to procedure): 240 mL (8 oz) every 15 minutes until 1 L (entire contents of container) is consumed. Then fill container with 480 mL (16 oz) of clear liquid and consume at least 2 hours before the procedure.</p>	Not applicable
Suprep	<p><u>Split-dose regimen:</u>                      Total volume of liquid consumed over the course of treatment: 2880 mL (96 oz)</p> <p>Evening before colonoscopy: Drink the entire contents of 1 bottle, diluted to a final volume of 480 mL (16 oz). Then drink 2 additional containers of water each (filled</p>	Not applicable

Drug Name	Dosing Regimen	Dose Limit/ Maximum Dose
	<p>to the 16-ounce line) over the next hour, for an additional volume of 960 mL (32 oz).</p> <p>Morning of the colonoscopy (10-12 hours after the evening dose): Repeat entire process with the second bottle: Drink entire contents of second bottle diluted to a final volume of 480 mL (16 oz); then drink 2 additional containers of water (each filled to the 16-ounce line) over the next hour, for an additional volume of 960 mL (32 oz). Complete at least 2 hours before the procedure.</p>	

*Therapeutic alternatives are listed as Brand name® (generic) when the drug is available by brand name only and generic (Brand name®) when the drug is available by both brand and generic.*

**Appendix C: Contraindications/Boxed Warnings**

- Contraindications:
  - All colonoscopy prep products: gastrointestinal obstruction, ileus, or gastric retention; bowel perforation; toxic colitis or toxic megacolon; hypersensitivity
  - Clenpiq, Prepopik: severely reduced renal function (creatinine clearance less than 30 mL/min)
  - OsmoPrep: biopsy-proven acute phosphate nephropathy, gastric bypass or stapling surgery
- Boxed warnings(s): OsmoPrep – acute phosphate nephropathy

**V. Dosage and Administration**

Drug Name	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose
Clenpiq	<p>Split-dose regimen: 160 mL evening before colonoscopy. Second 160 mL the morning of the colonoscopy</p> <p>Day-before regimen: 160 mL during afternoon or early evening before colonoscopy. Second 160 mL 6 hours later during evening before colonoscopy</p>	Not applicable
Colyte with flavor packs, GoLYTELY	240 mL (8 oz) every 10 minutes until 4 L are consumed or the rectal effluent is clear; rapid drinking of each portion is preferred to drinking small amounts continuously	Not applicable
OsmoPrep	<p>Evening before colonoscopy: Four tablets with 8 ounces of clear liquids every 15 minutes for a total of 20 tablets</p> <p>Next morning: Four tablets with 8 ounces of clear liquids every 15 minutes for a total of 12 tablets</p>	Not applicable

Drug Name	Dosing Regimen	Maximum Dose
Plenvu	Two-day regimen: dose 1 evening before colonoscopy (4 PM-8 PM), dose 2 next morning (approximately 12 hours after the start of dose 1)  One-day regimen: dose 1 morning of colonoscopy (3 AM-7AM), dose 2 a minimum of 2 hours after the start of dose 1	Not applicable
Prepopik	<i>Split-dose regimen (preferred):</i> 150 mL (5 oz) the evening before the colonoscopy (5 PM-9 PM), followed by a second 150 mL (5 oz) dose ~5 hours before the colonoscopy  <i>Day-before regimen (alternative):</i> 150 mL (5 oz) in the early evening before the colonoscopy (4 PM-6 PM), followed by a second 150 mL (5 oz) dose 6 hours later (10 PM-12 AM) the night before the colonoscopy	Not applicable

#### VI. Product Availability

Drug Name	Availability
Clenpiq	Oral solution: 10 mg sodium picosulfate, 3.5 g magnesium oxide, 12 g of anhydrous citric acid in 160 mL
Colyte with flavor packs	Powder for oral solution: one gallon bottle of PEG 3350 227.10 g, sodium chloride 5.53 g, potassium chloride 2.82 g, sodium bicarbonate 6.36 g, sodium sulfate (anhydrous) 21.50 g
GoLYTELY	Oral solution: one gallon packet of PEG 3350 227.1 grams, sodium sulfate (anhydrous) 21.5 grams, sodium bicarbonate 6.36 grams, sodium chloride 5.53 grams, potassium chloride 2.82 grams
OsmoPrep	Tablet: 1.5 g of sodium phosphate
Plenvu	Oral solution: Dose pouch 1 – 100 grams PEG 3350, 9 grams sodium sulfate, 2 grams sodium chloride, 1 gram of potassium chloride; Dose pouch 2A – 40 grams PEG 3350, 3.2 grams sodium chloride, 1.2 grams potassium chloride; Dose pouch 2B – 48.11 grams sodium ascorbate, 7.54 grams ascorbic acid.
Prepopik	Powder for oral solution: 2 packets each containing 10 mg sodium picosulfate, 3.5 g magnesium oxide, and 12 g anhydrous citric acid

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No clinically significant changes; added Plenvu to policy per SDC.	02.01.19	

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