

ALASKA MEDICAID  
Prior Authorization Criteria

**Kalydeco® (Ivacaftor)**

**FDA Indication and Usage:**

Treatment of cystic fibrosis (CF) in patients age 6 years and older who have *G551D*, *G1244E*, *G1349D*, *G178R*, *G551S*, *S1251N*, *S1255P*, *S549N*, or *S549R* mutation in the Cystic Fibrosis Transmembrane Regulator (CFTR) gene.

An FDA-cleared CF mutation test, along with recommended verification sequencing when appropriate, should be used to detect the presence of a *CFTR* mutation.

**Dosage Form/Strength:**

Tablet, 150mg

**Criteria for Approval:**

1. Diagnosis of Cystic Fibrosis; **AND**
2. Confirmed *G551D*, *G1244E*, *G1349D*, *G178R*, *G551S*, *S1251N*, *S1255P*, *S549N*, or *S549R* mutation in the Cystic Fibrosis Transmembrane Regulator (CFTR) gene from an FDA-cleared CF mutation test; **AND**
3. Recipient is 6 years of age or older.

**Criteria for Denial**

- Homozygous for the *F508del* mutation in the *CFTR* gene.

**Length of Authorization:**

1. Initial coverage may be approved for 2 months.
2. Re-authorization, may be approved for up to 10 months if documentation of clinical improvement submitted

**Quantity Limit:**

- Maximum 2 doses per day; 30 days

**Mechanism of Action:**

Cystic fibrosis transmembrane conductance regulator (CFTR) potentiator

**References:**

Kalydeco™ [package insert]. Boston, MA; Vertex, June 2014.

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