Azedra Policy

Purpose

To describe the CVS Radiation Oncology External Policy for Azedra.

Scope

The scope of this document applies to CVS Health clients who have signed up for the CVS Radiation Oncology program under CVS Health Solutions. This document includes the external policy details for the Azedra policy.

Policy

CVS Health considers Azedra medically necessary for the treatment of an individual aged 12 years and older with iobenguane scan positivity who has inoperable locally advanced or metastatic pheochromocytoma or paraganglioma requiring systemic treatment.

References

The Azedra policy is based on the following references:

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