

**Title:** Monoclonal Antibodies Directed Against Amyloid for the Treatment of Alzheimer's Disease (CAG-00460N)

**Decision:** The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has developed a national coverage determination (NCD) establishing coverage for Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved monoclonal antibodies directed against amyloid for the treatment of Alzheimer's disease (AD) when furnished in accordance with coverage criteria under coverage with evidence development (CED) for patients who have a clinical diagnosis of mild cognitive impairment (MCI) due to AD or mild AD dementia, both with confirmed presence of amyloid beta pathology consistent with AD.

**What this means:** Medicare will cover FDA-approved monoclonal antibody drugs that target amyloid (or plaque), also referred to as anti-amyloid drugs, for the treatment of Alzheimer's disease for members who meet criteria and are enrolled in an approved clinical trial. Please refer to the final decision memo for all coverage criteria.

Currently, Aduhelm™ (aducanumab) is the only drug in this class that has been granted approval by the FDA for the treatment of Alzheimer's disease based on evidence that it may reduce plaque on the brain.

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