

Hello,

I am writing to request an addition to the Iowa Medicaid PDL. Orkambi (lumacaftor/ivacaftor) has now been approved for ages 2-5 (previously ages 6 and older). This is extremely exciting in the cystic fibrosis world as a medical treatment that has been shown to treat the underlying defect of CF, in turn, improving lung function and reducing pulmonary exacerbations. Other strengths of Orkambi are currently available through Medicaid. I understand that the medication's absence is likely due to the recent nature of the approval, but it would be great if it could be added to provide benefit to patients and their families as soon as possible.

Here is the link for the recent approval (<https://investors.vrtx.com/news-releases/news-release-details/fda-approves-orkambir-lumacaftorivacaftor-first-medicine-treat>), but please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Thanks!