

## Cabazitaxel (Jevtana) Criteria for Use February 2021

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*The Product Information should be consulted for detailed prescribing information.*

*See the VA National PBM-MAP-VPE Monograph on this drug at [www.pbm.va.gov](http://www.pbm.va.gov) or <http://vaww.pbm.va.gov> for further information.*

**Exclusion Criteria** *If the answer to ANY item below is met, then the patient should NOT receive cabazitaxel.*

- History of severe hypersensitivity reactions to drugs formulated with polysorbate 80
- Absolute Neutrophil Count (ANC)  $\leq$  1500/mm<sup>3</sup> or hemoglobin < 10 g/dL or platelets < 100,000/mm<sup>3</sup>
- Radiotherapy to 40% or more of bone marrow
- Hepatic impairment (bilirubin greater than 3x upper limit of normal)
- Active Grade 2 or higher peripheral neuropathy
- Inability or contraindication to taking prednisone

**Inclusion Criteria** *The following must be met:*

- Diagnosis of metastatic prostate cancer with documented disease progression during or after completion of docetaxel-based therapy

**Additional Inclusion Criteria** *In addition to the following:*

- Care is provided by a VA/ VA Community Care oncology provider
- The goals of care and role of Palliative Care consult has been discussed and documented
- Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group (ECOG) Performance Status 0-2
- Prior and ongoing castrate levels of testosterone (less than 50 ng/dL) by either medical or surgical castration
- Patients with female partners of childbearing potential advised to use effective contraception during therapy and for 3 months following the last dose

Note: Consider primary prophylaxis with a Granulocyte-Colony Stimulating Factor (G-CSF) product for patients at high risk for neutropenia and those receiving a dose 25mg/m<sup>2</sup>

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