

# Epcoritamab-bysp (EPKINLY)

## Criteria for Use

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The Product Information should be consulted for detailed prescribing information.

See the VA National Formulary Committee Monograph on this drug at the [PBM INTRAnet](#) site for further information.

### Exclusion Criteria

If the answer to ANY item below is met, then the patient should NOT receive epcoritamab.

- Facility is not equipped to monitor and manage Cytokine Release Syndrome (CRS), if necessary ^1
- Absolute Neutrophil Count < 1000/ $\mu$ L, Platelet count < 75,000/ $\mu$ L (if no bone marrow involvement)
- Total bilirubin > 1.5 times the upper limit of normal (unless Gilbert's syndrome or liver involvement)
- Alanine transaminase (ALT), aspartate transaminase (AST) and alkaline phosphatase > 3 times the upper limit of normal (unless liver involvement)
- Creatinine clearance < 45 ml/min
- Active or uncontrolled infection
- Unmanageable drug-drug interaction
- Pregnancy
- Lactating

1. Patients with diffuse large B-cell lymphoma (DLBCL) or high-grade B-cell lymphoma should be hospitalized for step-up dose on Cycle 1, Day 15 (first 48 mg dose) followed by 24 hours of monitoring

### Inclusion Criteria

ONE of the following must be fulfilled to meet criteria.

- Relapsed or refractory, diffuse large B-cell lymphoma (DLBCL) or high-grade B-cell lymphoma
- Relapsed or refractory, follicular lymphoma (FL)

### Additional Inclusion Criteria

ALL the following criteria must be met.

- Previously treated with  $\geq 2$  prior lines of therapy (including 1 line with anti-CD20 monoclonal antibody)
- Care is provided by a VA/VA Community Care oncology or hematology provider
- Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group (ECOG) performance status 0-2
- Goals of care and role of Palliative Care consult have been discussed and documented

### Additional Inclusion Criteria *Select if applicable*

- For patients who can become pregnant and patients with partners who can become pregnant: Counseling provided on potential risks vs benefits of treatment and the use of effective contraception during therapy and for 4 months after stopping treatment.