

Belzutifan (WELIREG) in Renal Cell Carcinoma (RCC) Criteria for Use January 2025

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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 belzutifan.

- Untreated and symptomatic central nervous system (CNS) metastases
- Unmanageable drug-drug interactions
- Moderate-Severe hepatic impairment ^{^1}
- Pregnancy
- Lactation

1. Total bilirubin > 1.5 X Upper Limit of Normal and any AST

Inclusion Criteria

The following criteria must be met:

- Advanced renal cell carcinoma (RCC) following a PD-1 or PD-L1 inhibitor and a vascular endothelial growth factor tyrosine kinase inhibitor (VEGF TKI) as monotherapy or in combination for locally advanced or metastatic RCC

Additional Inclusion Criteria

All of the following criteria must be met:

- Care is provided by a VA/VA Community Care oncology 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 females who can become pregnant and males with female partners who can become pregnant: Counseling provided on potential risks vs benefits of treatment and the use of effective contraception during therapy and for 1 week after stopping treatment

Other Justification

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