



This resource is provided to assist health care providers and the patients they serve. This is not a guide or instructions. The processes outlined here do not guarantee payment. Providers must use independent medical judgment in determining whether an Axumin PET scan is appropriate for the patient. The provider has the responsibility to ensure correct prior authorization, appeal, and denial policies are followed.

Axumin is covered by Medicare for the FDA-approved indication only:

Axumin is indicated for positron emission tomography (PET) imaging in men with suspected prostate cancer recurrence based on elevated blood prostate specific antigen (PSA) levels following prior treatment.

IS THIS PATIENT APPROPRIATE FOR AXUMIN IMAGING?

- Patient has prior history of prostate cancer
- Patient was treated for prostate cancer
- Patient has rising PSA after reaching a nadir
- All of the above documented in physician’s notes & on file at imaging center

DO I HAVE WHAT I NEED TO SCHEDULE THE PATIENT?

- Physician order for Axumin PET scan
- Patient’s insurance information and prior authorization number, if available
- If performing authorization, documentation of:
 - ___ Medical necessity ___ Patient history ___ Information on Axumin PET scans

CODING FOR AXUMIN PET SCANS:

HCPCS Code for Axumin® (fluciclovine F 18) injection

A9588	Fluciclovine F 18, diagnostic, 1 milliCurie (mCi)*
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*Unit alert: Axumin is provided in 10 mCi doses. When submitting claims, be sure to enter the correct number of units.

Common CPT Codes for Axumin PET Scanning

78812	Positron emission tomography (PET) imaging; skull base to mid-thigh
78813	Positron emission tomography (PET) imaging; whole body
78815	Positron emission tomography (PET) imaging with concurrently acquired computed tomography (CT) for attenuation correction and anatomical localization imaging; skull base to mid-thigh
78816	Positron emission tomography (PET) imaging with concurrently acquired computed tomography (CT) for attenuation correction and anatomical localization imaging; whole body

ICD-10 Codes Currently Covered by Medicare

C61	Malignant Neoplasm of Prostate
Z85.46	Personal History of Malignant Neoplasm of Prostate

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AXUMIN®

Fluciclovine F 18 Injection

INDICATION

Axumin® (fluciclovine F 18) injection is indicated for positron emission tomography (PET) imaging in men with suspected prostate cancer recurrence based on elevated blood prostate specific antigen (PSA) levels following prior treatment.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

- Image interpretation errors can occur with Axumin PET imaging. A negative image does not rule out recurrent prostate cancer and a positive image does not confirm its presence. The performance of Axumin seems to be affected by PSA levels. Axumin uptake may occur with other cancers and benign prostatic hypertrophy in primary prostate cancer. Clinical correlation, which may include histopathological evaluation, is recommended.
- Hypersensitivity reactions, including anaphylaxis, may occur in patients who receive Axumin. Emergency resuscitation equipment and personnel should be immediately available.
- Axumin use contributes to a patient's overall long-term cumulative radiation exposure, which is associated with an increased risk of cancer. Safe handling practices should be used to minimize radiation exposure to the patient and health care providers.
- Adverse reactions were reported in ≤1% of subjects during clinical studies with Axumin. The most common adverse reactions were injection site pain, injection site erythema and dysgeusia.

To report suspected adverse reactions to Axumin, call 1-855-AXUMIN1 (1-855-298-6461) or contact FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088 or www.fda.gov/medwatch.

Full Axumin prescribing information is available at www.axumin.com.