**Title:** Chimeric Antigen Receptor (CAR) T-cell Therapy for Cancers (CAG-00451N)

**Decision:** The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) covers Chimeric Antigen Receptor (CAR) T-cell Therapy for Cancers with T-cells expressing at least one chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) when administered at healthcare facilities enrolled in the FDA risk evaluation and mitigation strategies (REMS) and is used for either an FDA-approved indication (according to the FDA-approved label for that product), or for other uses when the product has been FDA-approved and the use is supported in one or more CMS-approved compendia. The use of non-FDA-approved autologous T-cells expressing at least one CAR is non-covered.

**What this means:** Chimeric Antigen Receptor (CAR) T-cell Therapy for cancer may be covered for a member if the healthcare facility is certified to dispense and administer the drug and the drug is FDA approved for the member's diagnosis and condition. Please refer to the final decision memo for all coverage criteria.

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