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NHS MEDICAL POLICY

Lutetium Lu-177 dotatate Medicine 2019-001

Lutetium Lu-177 dotatate (Lutathera) is the first FDA approved radiopharmaceutical drug. Treatment with Lutetium Lu-177 dotatate may be indicated when ALL the following are present:

1	The patient is an adult age 18 or more.		
2	A gastroenteropancreatic neuroendocrine tumor (NET) has been diagnosed.		
3	The patient has had disease progression during first-line somatostatin analogue therapy.		
4	The neuroendocrine tumor (NET) has a reported Ki-67 of 20% or less.		
5	The neuroendocrine tumor (NET) has somatostatin receptor expression, demonstrated by positive 68Ga-dotatate (Gallium 68, NETSPOT, etc.) imaging, PET-CT, PET-MRI, or somatostatin receptor scintigraphy.		
6	The patient has adequate bone marrow, renal and hepatic function. This may be demonstrated by labs described as normal or adequate by the treating provider: CBC, BMP, CMP, LFT, INR.		
7	Long-acting somatostatin analogs (lanreotide, octreotide) are not used for 4-6 weeks before each Lutetium Lu-177 dotatate treatment.		
8	Any short acting octreotide used for symptom control is stopped 24 hours before each Lutetium Lu-177 dotatate treatment.		
	Counseling about radiation safety precautions, exposure and other adverse effects is done.		

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