

American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists Position Statement on IV Bisphosphonates

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IV Bisphosphonates that are FDA approved for osteoporosis should be covered for treatment of osteoporosis (733.00-733.09) when:

Bisphosphonates remain the most appropriate anti-osteoporosis intervention, and there is no class contraindication or hypersensitivity to bisphosphonates, and there exists either

- demonstrated intolerance or contraindication for FDA-approved oral bisphosphonates and oral dosing regimens; or insurmountable issues related to absorption, compliance or dosing posture; or anatomic abnormalities or motility disorders of the esophagus or stomach that could interfere with passage or absorption of the medication; or
- when adequate trials of FDA-approved oral bisphosphonates result in fallen BMD and/or failure to suppress bone turnover (e.g., persisting high bone – turnover marker measurements).