Recommendation to DACHDNC for Screening for Pompe Disease

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Decision Matrix

Net Benefit	Certainty	Feasibility	Readiness		
			Ready	Develop- mental	Unprepared
Significant	High	High or Moderate	A1	A2	A3
		Low		A4	
	Moderate				
Zero to Small	High or Moderate				
Negative					
	Low				

Infantile Form

- Screening results in earlier diagnosis than clinical identification
- Earlier treatment with enzyme replacement therapy (ERT) results in better outcomes for infants
- Infants identified through screening and treated with ERT have better outcomes than historical controls

Screening test function

- Extremely high sensitivity for infantile form
- With two stage confirmation, extremely high specificity (e.g. Taiwan)

Applying Decision Matrix to Infantile Form

- Significant benefit
 - 13 lives saved in birth cohort of 4 million
 - 26 individuals survival off ventilator
- High certainty
 - Likelihood that additional science will change results very small
- Test highly sensitive and specific
- Move to feasibility

Considering "Late Onset"

- What is the appropriate threshold/criteria in considering impact of identification of later onset?
 - A. Significant benefit/high or moderate certainty or
 - B. Any non-negative benefit, moderate certainty (i.e., moderate certainty of absence of harm), or
 - C. Any non-negative benefit, moderate certainty (i.e., moderate certainty of absence of harm) with guidance to undertake studies to assess optimal management
- We recommend "C" as the appropriate threshold

Benefit/harm of identification of late onset

- No direct data on impact of treatment prior to onset of symptoms
- Treatment after diagnosis results in improved function (PFT's and walking distance)
- Biologic plausibility of benefit of early treatment
- Harm of treatment vs. placebo:
 - Overall similar symptom profile
 - + allergic reaction
 - + antibody development

Additional Considerations for "Late Onset"

- Credible hypothesis that treatment prior to symptoms or clinical diagnosis beneficial (but no data)
- Harms likely minimal (although non-zero) given safety record
- Lived experience of difficulty of prolonged diagnostic odyssey and preference for early knowledge
- This provides optimal context for trial of alternative strategies re: early treatment

Readiness/feasibility

- No major impediments to implementation
- Limitations exist in current state readiness
 - Training, staffing
 - Purchasing or modifying equipment
 - Arranging treatment referral network

Overall Recommendation

- Add to RUSP (A2) based on significant benefit of identifying infants
- 1-5 year roll out to enable states to obtain equipment, train staff and develop referral networks
- Support trial/study of alternative strategies re: early treatment of late onset disease