Blue Cross Blue Shield Blue Care Network of Michigan

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How to submit prior authorization requests for medical benefit drugs

For Blue Cross commercial and Blue Care Network commercial

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Follow these steps to submit prior authorization requests when prescribing drugs covered under the medical benefit for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and Blue Care Network commercial members.

Michigan prescribers

To submit prior authorization requests electronically, first register for Availity® Essentials, our provider portal; refer to the Register for web tools page at bcbsm.com for details. Then:

1. Log in to availity.com*.
2. Click *Payer Spaces* on the menu bar and click the BCBSM and BCN logo.
3. On the Applications tab, click the tile for the appropriate NovoLogix web tool.
4. Within NovoLogix, click the *Authorizations* menu and select *Create Authorization*.
5. Enter the member's details and select the correct member on the contract.
6. Complete the required fields. This includes selecting the correct drug in the "Authorization Lines" section.
7. Click *Submit*, complete the protocol questions and click *Done*.

If you're registered for Availity but are not able to access it, submit your prior authorization request using the *Medication Authorization Request Form*, or MARF, that's on the next page.

Non-Michigan prescribers

When submitting a prior authorization request for the first time, prescribers located outside of Michigan should complete and submit:

- The *Medication Authorization Request Form*, or MARF, that's on the next page
- The Application for access to NovoLogix for non-Michigan prescribers

Submit these documents to the fax number or address that's on the MARF. Once we approve the request for access, we'll provide information about how to access the NovoLogix tool so that you can submit subsequent prior authorization requests electronically.

Note: Access to NovoLogix is available only to registered users. You must include a valid Type 1 (individual) NPI on the application for access to NovoLogix.

Information about NovoLogix

For more information about the NovoLogix web tool, look under the Training Resources heading on these webpages:

- Blue Cross Medical-Benefit Drugs
- BCN Medical-Benefit Drugs

If you need help with the NovoLogix tool, contact the Web Support Help Desk at 1-877-258-3932.

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Blue Cross Blue Shield/Blue Care Network of Michigan
Medication Authorization Request Form
Ilaris® (canakinumab) HCPCS CODE: J0638

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This form is to be used by participating physicians to obtain coverage for Ilaris. For commercial members only, please complete this form and submit via fax to 1-877-325-5979. If you have any questions regarding this process, please contact BCBSM Provider Relations and Servicing or the Medical Drug Helpdesk at 1-800-437-3803 for assistance.

PATIENT INFORMATION	PHYSICIAN INFORMATION
Name	**Name**
ID Number	**Specialty**
D.O.B. ☐Male ☐Female **Pt weight (in kg)** **Date recorded:**_____	**Address**
Diagnosis	**City /State/Zip**
Drug Name	**Phone/Fax: P**: ( ) - **F**: ( ) -
Dose and Quantity	**NPI**
Directions	**Contact Person**
Date of Service(s)	**Contact Person Phone / Ext.**

STEP 1: DISEASE STATE INFORMATION

1. Is this for Initiation or Continuation of therapy? ☐ Initiation ☐ Continuation *Date patient started therapy:* _____
2. Site of administration? ☐ Provider office/Home infusion ☐ Other: _____
   ☐ Hospital outpatient facility (go to #3) *Reason for Hospital Outpatient administration*: _____
3. Please specify location of administration if hospital outpatient infusion: _____
4. Please provide the NPI number for the place of administration: _____

5. **Initiation AND Continuation of therapy:**
   a. Will the patient be receiving Ilaris with other biologic agents (for example: Kineret, Actemra or TNF inhibitors) or with targeted DMARD medications (for example: Otezla)? ☐ Yes ☐ No Comment: _____
   b. Please check the patient's diagnosis:
      ☐ Cryopyrin-Associated Periodic Syndromes (CAPS) with phenotypes: Familial Cold Auto-Inflammatory Syndrome (FACS) or Muckle-Wells Syndrome (MWS) *(go to c, d, and e)*
      ☐ Tumor Necrosis Factor Receptor Associated Periodic Syndrome (TRAPS)
      ☐ Systemic Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis (SJIA) *(go to f)*
      ☐ Still's disease, including adult-onset Still's disease *(go to f)*
      ☐ Hyperimmunoglobulin D Syndrome (HIDS)/Mevalonate Kinase Deficiency (MKD)
      ☐ Familial Mediterranean Fever (FMF) *(go to g)*
      ☐ Other_____
   c. **CAPS:** How was CAPS diagnosed?
      ☐ Genetic testing (such as in the Cold-Induced Auto-inflammatory Syndrome 1 (CIAS1 – also referred to as the NLRP-3) **(please attach results)**
      ☐ Physical assessment **(please attach assessment)** ☐Other: _____ ☐ N/A
   d. **CAPS**: Please provide ~~the~~ levels of C-reactive protein (CRP) and serum amyloid A ~~levels~~ with reference range:
      CRP:_____ _____ Serum amyloid A: _____
   e. **CAPS:** Please check which classic symptoms the member is experiencing due to CAPS:
      ☐ Urticaria-like rash ☐ Cold-triggered episodes ☐ Sensorineural hearing loss ☐ Musculoskeletal symptoms ☐ Chronic aseptic meningitis
      ☐ Skeletal abnormalities ☐ Other: _____ ☐ None ☐ N/A
   f. **SJIA or Still's disease:** What medications has the patient tried and failed?
      ☐ Methotrexate ☐ Leflunomide ☐ NSAIDs ☐ Glucocorticoids ☐ Actemra ☐ Kineret ☐ Other: _____
   g. **FMF:** Has the patient tried and failed colchicine? ☐ Yes ☐ No Comment _____

6. **Continuation request:** Ilaris start date _____
   a. Has the patient's condition improved while on therapy with Ilaris?
      ☐ Yes ☐ No Comment _____

Please add any other supporting medical information necessary for our review

Coverage will not be provided if the prescribing physician's signature and date are not reflected on this document.

☐ Request for expedited review: I certify that applying the standard review time frame may seriously jeopardize the life or health of the member or the member's ability to regain maximum function

Physician's Name **Physician Signature** **Date**

Step 2: Checklist	☐ Form Completely Filled Out ☐ Attached Chart Notes	☐ Concurrent Medical Problems ☐ Prior Therapies
Step 3: Submit	**By Fax: BCBSM Specialty Pharmacy Mailbox 1-877-325-5979**	**By Mail: BCBSM Specialty Pharmacy Program P.O. Box 312320, Detroit, MI 48231-2320**

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