

Field Name	Field Description
Prior Authorization Group	<b>Oncology Drugs</b>
Drugs	Oral and Injectable Oncology Medications (specialty or non-specialty) without medication specific criteria when requested for an oncology diagnosis
Covered Uses	Medically accepted indications are defined using the following sources: the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Micromedex, American Hospital Formulary Service (AHFS), United States Pharmacopeia Drug Information for the Healthcare Professional (USP DI) , and the Drug Package Insert, and/or per the National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN)
Exclusion Criteria	N/A
Required Medical Information	See “Other Criteria”
Age Restrictions	N/A
Prescriber Restrictions	Prescriber is an oncologist, or specialist in type of cancer being treated
Coverage Duration	If the criteria are met, the request will be approved for up to 6 month duration; if the criteria are not met, the request will be referred to a clinical reviewer for medical necessity review.
Other Criteria	<p><b>All of the following criteria must be met:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The drug is requested through the medical benefit</li> <li>• Requested use must be a labeled indication or be supported by NCCN Category 1 or 2A level of evidence. If the request is for an off-label use supported by NCCN as Category 2B recommendation then medical documentation has been provided as to why member is unable to utilize a treatment regimen with a higher level of evidence (e.g. allergic reaction, contraindication); <b>AND</b></li> <li>• Documentation has been provided of the results of all required genetic testing where required per drug package insert; <b>AND</b></li> <li>• Documentation has been provided of the results of all required laboratory values and patient specific information (e.g. weight, ALT/AST, Creatine Kinase, etc.) necessary to ensure the patient has no contraindications to therapy per drug package insert; <b>AND</b></li> <li>• The medication is being prescribed at a dose that is within FDA approved/NCCN guidelines.</li> <li>• If the request is for a reference biologic drug with either a biosimilar or interchangeable biologic drug currently available, <u><b>documentation of one of the following:</b></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The provider has <del>either</del> verbally or in writing submitted a member specific reason why the <del>brand name</del> <u><b>reference</b></u></li> </ul> </li> </ul>

<p>Revision/Review  <del>11/2020</del> <b><u>10/2021</u></b></p>	<p>biologic is required based on the member's condition or treatment history;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b><u>The currently available biosimilar product does not have the same appropriate use (per the references outlined in "Covered Uses") as the reference biologic drug being requested</u></b></li> <li>• If the request is for <b><u>abiraterone</u></b> brand (Zytiga) 500 mg tablet, a documented medical reason why two tablets of generic abiraterone acetate 250 mg cannot be used</li> </ul> <p><b>Medical Director/clinical reviewer must override criteria when, in his/her professional judgment, the requested item is medically necessary.</b></p>
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