

# How to submit prior authorization requests for medical benefit drugs

For Blue Cross commercial and BCN commercial

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

Note: The information below doesn't apply to oncology medical benefit drugs.

## Michigan prescribers

To submit prior authorization requests electronically:

1. Log in to our provider portal ([availability.com](https://availability.com)\*).
2. Click *Payer Spaces* on the menu bar and click the BCBSM and BCN logo.
3. Click the *Medical/Pharm Drug Benefit Prior Auth (Commercial)* tile on the Applications tab.
4. In the Medical and Pharmacy Drug PA Portal, click the *Authorization* menu and select *Add New*.
5. Enter the member's last name, date of birth, subscriber ID and authorization start date.
6. Click *Search* and then select the appropriate member in the member list.
7. Complete all required fields and submit the request.

If you're registered for Availity Essentials™ but aren't able to access it, submit the prior authorization request using the *Medication Authorization Request Form*, or *MARF*, that's on the next page. Fax it to the number on the form.

## Non-Michigan prescribers

When submitting prior authorization requests, prescribers located outside of Michigan should complete the appropriate steps on the [Getting Started](#) page on [ereferrals.bcbsm.com](https://ereferrals.bcbsm.com). Look in the *Submit prior authorization requests* section.

If a non-Michigan prescriber is unable to submit a prior authorization request using the instructions on the webpage, submit the request using the *Medication Authorization Request Form*, or *MARF*, that's on the next page. Fax it to the number on the form.

## Information about the Medical and Pharmacy Drug PA Portal

To help you learn how to use the Medical and Pharmacy Drug PA Portal, view a recorded demo by going to Blue Cross and BCN's Provider Training site, searching on *drugs* and launching the *Medical and Pharmacy Drug PA Portal Overview*.

For detailed information about accessing the Provider Training site, see the "Online training" section of the [Training Tools](#) page on [ereferrals.bcbsm.com](https://ereferrals.bcbsm.com).

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# Blue Cross Blue Shield/Blue Care Network of Michigan Medication Authorization Request Form

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This form is to be used by participating physicians to obtain coverage for ADAGEN®. 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

|                                                                             |                                                         |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Name</b>                                                                 | <b>Name</b>                                             |
| <b>ID Number</b>                                                            | <b>Specialty</b>                                        |
| <b>D.O.B.</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female | <b>Address</b>                                          |
| <b>Diagnosis</b>                                                            | <b>City /State/Zip</b>                                  |
| <b>Drug Name</b>                                                            | <b>Phone/Fax: P: (     )     -     F: (     )     -</b> |
| <b>Dose and Quantity</b>                                                    | <b>NPI</b>                                              |
| <b>Directions</b>                                                           | <b>Contact Person</b>                                   |
| <b>Date of Service(s)</b>                                                   | <b>Contact Person<br/>Phone / Ext.</b>                  |

## STEP 1:

## DISEASE STATE INFORMATION

- Is this an initial request or continuation of therapy?  
☐ initial request ☐ continuation **Original start date:** \_\_\_\_\_
- Is the patient being seen by or in consultation with an immune specialist?  
☐ yes ☐ no, Provide physician specialty \_\_\_\_\_
- Site of administration? ☐ Provider office/Home infusion ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Hospital outpatient facility (go to #4) **Reason for Hospital Outpatient:** \_\_\_\_\_
- Please provide the NPI number for the place of administration: \_\_\_\_\_
- Please specify location of administration if hospital outpatient infusion? \_\_\_\_\_
- Initiation AND Continuation of therapy:**
  - What is the patient's diagnosis?  
☐ Adenosine Deaminase Deficiency – Severe Combined Immunodeficiency Disease (ADA-SCID)  
☐ Other, list diagnosis \_\_\_\_\_
  - How has the patient been diagnosed with ADA-SCID? **(Please attach any tests confirming diagnosis)**  
☐ Evidence of combined immunodeficiency ☐ low T lymphocyte counts ☐ low B lymphocyte counts  
☐ low NK lymphocyte counts ☐ Absence of thymus and other lymphoid tissues  
☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Has the patient tried and failed or found to not be a suitable candidate (for example, unable to find donor) for bone marrow transplantation? ☐ yes ☐ no, Please explain: \_\_\_\_\_
  - What is the patient's platelet count? \_\_\_\_\_
- Continuation of therapy:**
  - If the patient is continuing therapy, please give the patient's current disease status since beginning treatment:  
☐ Improved; Please describe: \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Stable; Please describe: \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Worsened; Please describe: \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Other; Please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

8. Please attach any chart notes or additional documentation and submit to plan **(Required)**

**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

|                              |                                                                                                      |                                                                                              |
|------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Physician's Name</b>      | <b>Physician Signature</b>                                                                           | <b>Date</b>                                                                                  |
| <b>Step 2:<br/>Checklist</b> | <input type="checkbox"/> Form Completely Filled Out<br><input type="checkbox"/> Attached Chart Notes | <input type="checkbox"/> Diagnostic Tests Attached                                           |
| <b>Step 3:<br/>Submit</b>    | <b>By Fax: BCBSM Specialty Pharmacy Mailbox<br/>1-877-325-5979</b>                                   | <b>By Mail: BCBSM Specialty Pharmacy Program<br/>P.O. Box 312320, Detroit, MI 48231-2320</b> |

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