

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 (<u>availity.com</u>*).
- 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 <u>Getting Started</u> page on **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**.

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Blue Cross Blue Shield/Blue Care Network of Michigan Medication Authorization Request Form Synagis® (palivizumab) Procedure Code: 90378



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This form is to be used by participating physicians to obtain coverage for Synagis. For <u>commercial members only</u>, 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.

assistance	PATIENT INFORMATION	PHYSICIAN INFORMATION	
Name		Name	
ID Number		Specialty	
D.O.B.		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.	Has the patient been treated with Synagis before?	No Dates of treatment:	
2.	2. Please provide the NPI number for the place of administration:		
3.	Has the patient already received doses for this RSV Season? Yes No Doses: Dates:		
4.	What is the age in months at the start of RSV season?	months	
5.	What is the patient's weight in kg? kg Date weight taken:		
6.	How many weeks gestation was the patient at birth? weeks		
7.	Does the patient have significant congenital abnormalities of the airway or neuromuscular disease that compromise the handling of		
	respiratory tract secretions? Yes No		
8.	Does the patient have hemodynamically significant cyanotic or acyanotic congenital heart disease (CHD) AND require treatment for		
	CHD? Yes No		
9.	Does the patient have cystic fibrosis with clinical evidence of chronic lung disease (CLD) and/or nutritional compromise?		
	Yes No		
10.	D. Does the patient have a disease state such as severe combined immunodeficiency or advanced AIDS that is causing them to be		
	immunocompromised? Yes No Disease state:		
11.	1. Does the patient have CLD and a requirement for > 21% oxygen for at least the first 28 days after birth and are less than 1 year?		
	Yes No		
12.	. Does the patient have CLD of prematurity and continue to require medical support (i.e. supplemental oxygen, chronic corticosteroid		
	therapy) during the 6 month period before the start of the second RSV season?		
Yes Medical support required: No			
13. Please attach any chart notes or additional documentation and submit to plan. (Required)			
Please add any other supporting medical information that may be useful in the decision-making process:			
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 Physician's Name Physician Signature		the member's ability to regain maximum function Date	
Step 2: Checklist	☐ Form Completely Filled Out ☐ Attached Chart Notes	☐ Concurrent Medical Problems ☐ Concurrent 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	