

Field Name	Field Description
Prior Authorization Group	<b>Oncology Drugs/Therapies</b>
Drugs	Oral and Injectable Oncology Medications and Oncology Gene Therapies (specialty or non-specialty) without product 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.
Other Criteria	<p><b>All of the following criteria must be met:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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)</li> <li>• Documentation has been provided of the results of all required genetic testing where required per product package insert</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 product package insert</li> <li>• The product 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, documentation of one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The provider has verbally or in writing submitted a member specific reason why the reference biologic is required based on the member’s condition or treatment history; AND if the member had side effects or a reaction to the biosimilar or interchangeable biologic, the provider has completed and submitted an FDA MedWatch form to justify the member’s need to avoid</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

<p>Revision/Review 11/2024</p>	<p>these drugs. The MedWatch form must be included with the prior authorization request</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The currently available biosimilar product does not have the same appropriate use (per the references outlined in “Covered Uses”) as the reference biologic product being requested</li> </ul> <p><a href="#">Form FDA 3500 – Voluntary Reporting</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>If the request is for abiraterone (Zytiga) 500 mg tablet, a documented medical reason why two tablets of generic abiraterone acetate 250 mg cannot be used</b></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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