



Understanding prior authorization

Learn what it is and when you need it



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What is prior authorization?

We may need more details before we can approve some care options and products. We call this prior authorization. Sometimes we may call it precertification or preapproval. These all mean the same thing. It's the process of confirming if your plan will cover a certain service or prescription drug.



Why it's needed

Some services or medicines cost more than others. And some have higher risks. Prior authorization lets us check to see if a treatment or medicine is necessary. This helps:

- ✓ Keep you safe
- ✓ Keep your costs down
- ✓ Keep our plans affordable



How it works

1.

If your doctor thinks you need a service or medicine that requires prior authorization, they'll let us know. They do this by sending us a request online, over the phone, or via fax.

2.

Once we have all the details we need, we'll review the request. (If we do not receive all the details needed, this may delay when we can begin the review.)



How it works (continued)

3.

We'll let you and your doctor know what we decide via letter. The review process can take up to two weeks.

- a. **Medicare members:** If the request is for prescription drugs or services not yet received, Aetna must notify the member (and the prescribing physician or other prescriber involved, as appropriate) of our decision no later than 24 hours after receiving the physician's or other prescriber's supporting statement for **expedited** cases. Or no later than 72 hours after receiving the physician's or other prescriber's supporting statement for standard cases.
- b. **Medicare members:** If the exception request involves reimbursement for prescription drugs or services already received, Aetna must notify the member (and the prescribing physician or other prescriber involved, as appropriate) of its decision (and make payment when appropriate) no later than 14 calendar days after receiving the request.

4.

If you don't agree with our decision, you can appeal it. The letter sent regarding the precertification decision will have the details on how to file an appeal request, along with the address to submit. You may also call the number on your member ID card and request an expedited appeal.

- a. **Important note:** You have 60 days from the date of the letter to request an appeal.

Note: If you don't get the prior authorization you need, we may not pay for your treatment. This could mean you'll have to pay the bill yourself.

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When you need it

This guide includes lists of the services and medicines that need prior authorization. In some plans, you might need prior authorization for the place where you get a service or medicine. We call this the site of service or site of care. You may also need prior authorization for:

- Transplants
- Certain types of genetic testing
- Hip and knee replacements
- Radiology or imaging services
- Out-of-network care
- Fertility services
- Cardiac catheterizations and rhythm implants
- Pain management
- Sleep studies
- Radiation therapy
- Peripheral arterial disease



✓ When you see an in-network doctor, they'll help you get the prior authorization you need. Check with your doctor to make sure you have it before you get care.

✓ If you need prior authorization for care out of our network, you'll need to get this approval yourself. You can check your plan documents to see if this applies to you. You can also ask your doctor for help.

✓ If you have a prescription drug plan from another insurer, it may have different guidelines than we have.



What else you may need

Does your plan make you choose a primary care physician (PCP)? If so, you may also need a referral for specialist care. This doesn't apply to all plans. You can check your plan documents to see if this applies to you.

A referral is not the same as prior authorization. If you need a referral, you should get this from your PCP before you get your prior authorization. You may need both for us to cover your care.



Questions?

We're here to help. You can call us at the number on your member ID card.

You can also check your plan documents to learn more about what you need for your plan.

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Here is a list of the services that need prior authorization.

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Inpatient stays (except hospice)

For example, surgical and nonsurgical stays, stays in a skilled nursing facility or rehabilitation facility, and maternity and newborn stays that exceed the standard length of stay (LOS)

Ambulance

Prior authorization needed for transportation by fixed-wing aircraft (plane)

Arthroplasty

- Total ankle

Arthroscopic hip surgery to repair impingement syndrome including labral repair*

Autologous chondrocyte implantation*

Cardiology

- Electrophysiological (EP) study
- Implantable loop recorder
- Watchman™

Chiari malformation decompression surgery

Cochlear device and/or implantation*

Coverage at an in-network benefit level for an out-of-network provider or facility unless it's an emergency. Limited or no out-of-network benefits with some plans

Dental implants

Dialysis visits

When an in-network doctor requests care at an out-of-network facility

Dorsal column (lumbar) neurostimulators: trial or implantation

Electric or motorized wheelchairs and scooters

Endoscopic nasal balloon dilation procedures*

Functional endoscopic sinus surgery (FESS)*

Gender affirmation surgery

Hyperthermic intraperitoneal chemotherapy (HIPEC)

Hyperbaric oxygen therapy

Knee arthroscopy — prior authorization needed for Medicare Advantage only effective February 1, 2025

Knee meniscectomy — prior authorization needed for Medicare Advantage only

Lower limb prosthetics, such as microprocessor-controlled lower limb prosthetics

Neurostimulator implantation

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Orthognathic surgery procedures, bone grafts, osteotomies and surgical management of the temporomandibular joint

Osseointegrated implant*

Osteochondral allograft/knee*

Out-of-network freestanding ambulatory surgical center services, when referred by an in-network doctor

Private duty nursing

Prostate surgery

- High intensity-focused ultrasound (HIFU)

Proton beam radiotherapy

Reconstructive or other procedures that may be considered cosmetic:

- Blepharoplasty
- Breast reconstruction/breast enlargement*
- Breast reduction/mammoplasty*
- Excision of excessive skin due to weight loss*
- Gastroplasty/gastric bypass
- Lipectomy or excess fat removal*
- Surgery for varicose veins, except stab phlebectomy*

Shoulder arthroplasty including revision procedures*

Site of service

Prior authorization is needed for the site of a service when **all** the following apply:

- The member has an Aetna® fully insured commercial plan
- The member will get the service or services in an outpatient hospital setting (NOT in an ambulatory surgical facility or office setting)
- The procedure is one of the following:
 - Breast tissue excision
 - Complex wound repair
 - Cystourethroscopy
 - Septoplasty
 - Skin tissue transfer or rearrangement
 - Tenodesis of long tendon of biceps
 - Turbinate resection

Note: Some services need prior authorization for both the service and the site of service. These services are marked with an asterisk (*) on this list.

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Spinal procedures:

- Artificial intervertebral disc surgery* (cervical spine)
 - Artificial intervertebral disc surgery* (lumbar spine)
 - Cervical laminoplasty*
 - Cervical, lumbar and thoracic laminectomy and/or laminotomy procedures*
 - Kyphectomy*
 - Laminectomy with rhizotomy
 - Osteotomy
 - Removal of spinal instrumentation
 - Sacroiliac joint fusion surgery
 - Spinal fusion surgery
 - Surgery for spinal deformity
 - Vertebral corpectomy
 - Vertebroplasty/kyphoplasty
-

Stimulators

- Electrical stimulation device used for cancer treatment
-

Urology

- Artificial urinary sphincter
-

Uvulopalatopharyngoplasty, including laser-assisted procedures*

Ventricular assist devices

Whole exome sequencing

Whole genome sequencing

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Here are the prescription drugs that need prior authorization. We've divided them into two lists. The first one includes blood-clotting factors. The second one includes all other medicines that need prior authorization.

These lists show drugs you usually wouldn't give yourself. You may get them at a doctor's office. Or you may get them at a hospital without an overnight stay. These are not the same as the prescription drugs listed on your plan's formulary, or drug list.

Site of care does not apply to Medicare Part B Drugs.

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Blood-clotting factors

Advate (antihemophilic factor, human recombinant)

Adynovate (antihemophilic factor [recombinant], PEGylated)

Afstyla (antihemophilic factor [recombinant], single chain)

Alphanate (antihemophilic factor/von Willebrand factor complex [human])

AlphaNine SD (coagulation factor IX [human])

Alprolix (coagulation factor IX [recombinant], Fc fusion protein)

Altuviio (efanesoctocog alfa)

BeneFix (coagulation factor IX [recombinant])

Beqvez (fidanacogene elaparvovec-dzkt) — prior authorization needed for drug and site of care

Coagadex (coagulation factor X [human])

Corifact (factor XIII concentrate [human])

Eloctate (antihemophilic factor [recombinant], Fc fusion protein)

Esperoct (antihemophilic factor [recombinant], glycopegylated-exei)

FEIBA, FEIBA NF (anti-inhibitor coagulant complex)

Fibryga (fibrinogen, human)

Hemgenix (etranacogene dezaparvovec-drlb) — prior authorization needed for drug and site of care

Hemlibra (emicizumab-kxwh)

Hemofil M (antihemophilic factor [human])

Humate-P (antihemophilic factor/von Willebrand factor complex [human])

Idelvion (antihemophilic factor [recombinant])

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Ixinity (coagulation factor IX [recombinant])

Jivi (antihemophilic factor [recombinant], PEGylated-aucI)

Kogenate FS (antihemophilic factor [recombinant])

Kovaltry (antihemophilic factor [recombinant])

NovoEight (antihemophilic factor [recombinant])

NovoSeven RT (coagulation factor VIIa [recombinant])

Nuwiq (simoctocog alfa)

Obizur (antihemophilic factor [recombinant], porcine sequence)

Rebinyn (coagulation factor IX [recombinant], glycoPEGylated)

Recombinate (antihemophilic factor [recombinant])

RiaSTAP (fibrinogen concentrate [human])

Rixubis (coagulation factor IX [recombinant])

Roctavian (valoctocogene roxaparvovec-rvox) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Sevenfact (coagulation factor VIIa [recombinant]-jncw)

Tretten (coagulation factor XIII a-subunit [recombinant])

Vonvendi (von Willebrand factor [recombinant])

Wilate (von Willebrand factor/coagulation factor VIII complex [human])

Xyntha, Xyntha Solofuse (antihemophilic factor [recombinant])

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Other prescription drugs

Abraxane (paclitaxel protein-bound particles) — prior authorization needed for Medicare Advantage members only

Acthar Gel/H. P. Acthar (corticotropin)

Adakveo (crizanlizumab-tmca) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Adcetris (brentuximab vedotin) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Adstiladrin (nadofaragene firadenovec-vncg)

Alpha 1-proteinase inhibitor (human)

Prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care:

Aralast NP (alpha 1-proteinase inhibitor)
Glassia (alpha 1-proteinase inhibitor)
Prolastin-C (alpha 1-proteinase inhibitor)
Zemaira (alpha 1-proteinase inhibitor)

AlymSYS (bevacizumab) — prior authorization needed for oncology indications only

Alzheimer's disease

(prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care):

Aduhelm (aducanumab-avwa)
Kisunla (donanemab-azbt)
Leqembi (lecanemab-irmb)

Amtagvi (lifileucel) — prior authorization needed for drug and site of care

Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS) drugs:

Qalsody (tofersen)
Radicava (edaravone) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Anktiva (nogapendekin alfa inbakicept-pmln)

Autoimmune infused infliximab

(Prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care):

Avsola (infliximab-axxq)
Inflectra (infliximab-dyyb)
Remicade (infliximab)
Renflexis (infliximab-abda)

Avastin (bevacizumab), 10 mg — prior authorization needed for oncology indications only

Aveed (testosterone undecanoate)

Avzivi (bevacizumab-tnjin)

Belrapzo (bendamustine HCl)

Bendamustine

Bendeka (bendamustine HCl)

Benlysta (belimumab) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Besponsa (inotuzumab ozogamicin)

Bortezomib

commercial plans — precertification required for multiple myeloma only

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Boruzu (bortezomib)

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Botulinum toxins:

Botox (onabotulinumtoxinA)
Daxxify (daxibotulinumtoxin A)
Dysport (abobotulinumtoxinA)
Letybo (letibotulinumtoxinA-wlbg)
Myobloc (rimabotulinumtoxinB)
Xeomin (incobotulinumtoxinA)

Cablivi (caplacizumab-yhdp)

Calcitonin gene-related peptide (CGRP) receptor inhibitors

Vyepti (eptinezumab-jjmr) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Cardiovascular — PCSK9 inhibitors:

Leqvio (inclisiran)

Casgevy (exagamglogene autotemcel) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Chimeric antigen receptor T-cell (CAR-T) therapy

Abecma (idecabtagene vicleucel)
Aucatzyl (obecabtagene autoleucel, obe-cel) — prior authorization needed effective February 26, 2025
Breyanzi (lisocabtagene maraleucel)
Carvykti (ciltacabtagene autoleucel)
Kymriah (tisagenlecleucel)
Tecartus (brexucabtagene autoleucel)
Yescarta (axicabtagene ciloleucel)

Columvi (glofitamab-gxbm)

Complement Inhibitors:

Piasky (crovalimab-akkz) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care
Veopoz (pozelimab-bbfg)

Cortrophin Gel (repository corticotropin)

Cosela (trilaciclib)

Crysvita (burosumab-twza) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Cyramza (ramucirumab)

Danyelza (naxitamab-gqgk)

Darzalex (daratumumab)

Darzalex Faspro (daratumumab and hyaluronidase-fihj)

Elahere (mirvetuximab soravtansine-gynx)

Elrexio (elranatamab-bcmm)

Empliciti (elotuzumab)

Enjaymo (sutimlimab-jome) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Enzyme replacement drugs:

Aldurazyme (laronidase) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care
Adzynma (ADAMTS13, recombinant-krhn) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care
Brineura (cerliponase alfa)
Cerezyme (imiglucerase) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care
Elaprase (idursulfase) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care
Eleyso (taliglucerase alfa) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care
Elfabrio (pegunigalsidase alfa-iwxj) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

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Fabrazyme (agalsidase beta) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Kanuma (sebelipase alfa) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Lamzede (velmanase alfa)

Lumizyme (alglucosidase alfa) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Mepsevii (vestronidase alfa-vjbk) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Naglazyme (galsulfase) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Nexvazyme (avalglucosidase alfa-ngpt) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Pombiliti (cipaglucosidase alfa-atga)

Strensiq (asfotase alfa)

Vimizim (elosulfase alfa) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

VPRIV (velaglucerase alfa) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Xenpozyme (olipudase alfa-rpcp) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Epkinly (epcoritamab-bysp)

Erbitux (cetuximab)

Erythropoiesis-stimulating agents:

Aranesp (darbepoetin alfa)

Epogen (epoetin alfa)

Mircera (methoxy polyethylene glycol-epoetin beta)

Procrit (epoetin alfa)

Retacrit (recombinant human erythropoietin-epbx)

Evkeeza (evinacumab-dgnb) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Evrysdi (risdiplam)

Fusilev (levoleucovorin)

Fyarro (sirolimus protein-bound particles for injectable suspension)

Gattex (teduglutide)

Givlaari (givosiran) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Granulocyte-colony stimulating factors:

Fulphila (pegfilgrastim-jmdb)

Fylnetra (pegfilgrastim-pbbk)

Granix (injection tbo-filgrastim)

Leukine (injection sargramostim, GM-CSF)

Neulasta (injection pegfilgrastim)

Neupogen (injection filgrastim, G-CSF)

Nypozi (filgrastim-txid)

Nivestym (filgrastim-aafi)

Nyvepria (pegfilgrastim-apgf)

Releuko (filgrastim-ayow)

Rolvedon (eflapegrastim-xnst)

Ryzneuta (efbemalenograstim alfa-vuxw)

Stimufend (pegfilgrastim-fpgk)

Udenyca (pegfilgrastim)

Udenyca OBI (pegfilgrastim-cbqv) —

Zarxio (filgrastim-sndz) — prior authorization needed for commercial members only

Ziextenzo (pegfilgrastim-bmez)

Growth hormone:

Skytrofa (lonapegsomatropin-tcgd) — prior authorization needed for Medicare Advantage members only

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Hereditary angioedema agents:

Berinert (C1 esterase inhibitor)
 Cinryze (C1 esterase inhibitor) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care
 Firazyr (icatibant acetate)
 Haegarda (C1 esterase inhibitor subcutaneous [human]) — prior authorization needed for commercial members only
 Kalbitor (ecallantide)
 Ruconest (C1 esterase inhibitor)
 Sajazir (icatibant acetate)
 Takhzyro (lanadelumab-flyo)

Hereditary transthyretin-mediated amyloidosis (ATTR) drugs

(prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care):

Amvuttra (vutrisiran)
 Onpattro (patisiran)
 Tegsedi (inotersen)
 Wainua (eplontersen)

HER2 receptor drugs:

Enhertu (fam-trastuzumab deruxtecan-nxki)
 Herceptin (trastuzumab) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care
 Herceptin Hylecta (trastuzumab and hyaluronidase-oysk)
 Hercessi (trastuzumab-strf) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care
 Herzuma (trastuzumab-pkrb) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care
 Kadcyli (ado-trastuzumab emtansine) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care
 Kanjinti (trastuzumab-anns) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

HER2 receptor drugs (continued):

Margenza (margetuximab-cmkb)
 Ogivri (trastuzumab-dkst) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care
 Ontruzant (trastuzumab-dttb) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care
 Perjeta (pertuzumab) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care
 Phesgo (pertuzumab/trastuzumab/hyaluronidase-zzxf)
 Trazimera (trastuzumab-qyyp) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Hypoxia-inducible factor prolyl hydroxylase (HIF PH) inhibitors:

Vafseo (vadadustat) — prior authorization needed for Medicare Advantage members only

Ilaris (canakinumab)

Imdelltra (tarlatamab-dlle)

Imlygic (talimogene laherparepvec)

Imjudo (tremelimumab)

Immunoglobulins (Prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care):

Alyglo (immune globulin intravenous, human-stwk)
 Asceniv (immune globulin)
 Bivigam (immune globulin)
 Cutaquig (immune globulin)
 Cuvitru (immune globulin SC [human])
 Flebogamma (immune globulin)
 GamaSTAN (immune globulin)
 Gammagard, Gammagard S/D (immune globulin)
 Gammaked (immune globulin)

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Gammaplex (immune globulin)
 Gamunex-C (immune globulin)
 Hizentra (immune globulin)
 HyQvia (immune globulin)
 Octagam (immune globulin)
 Panzyga (immune globulin)
 Privigen (immune globulin)
 Xembify (immune globulin)
 Yimmugo (immune globulin intravenous, human – dira)

Immunologic agents:

Actemra IV (tocilizumab) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care
 Cimzia (certolizumab pegol)
 Cosentyx IV (secukinumab)
 Enspryng (satralizumab) — prior authorization needed for Medicare Advantage members only
 Entyvio (vedolizumab) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care
 Ilumya (tildrakizumab)
 Omvoh (mirikizumab-mrkz,)
 Orencia SQ (abatacept) — prior authorization needed for Medicare Advantage members only
 Orencia IV (abatacept) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care
 Riabni (rituximab-arrx) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care
 Rituxan (rituximab) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care
 Rituxan Hycela (rituximab/hyaluronidase human)
 Ruxience (rituximab-pvvr) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care
 Rystiggo (rozanolixizumab-noli)
 Simponi Aria (golimumab) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care
 Skyrizi IV (risankizumab-rzaa)
 Spevigo (spesolimab-sbzo)
 Stelara SC (ustekinumab) — prior authorization needed for commercial members only
 Stelara IV (ustekinumab)
 Tofidence (tocilizumab-bavi)

Immunologic agents (continued):

Tremfya IV (guselkumab) — prior authorization needed effective February 1, 2025
 Truxima (rituximab-abbs) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care
 Tyenne (tocilizumab-aazg) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care
 Vyvgart (efgartigimod alfa-fcab)
 Vyvgart Hytrulo (efgartigimod alfa and hyaluronidase-qvfc) — prior authorization is needed for the drug and site of care. Site of care is only required for CIDP (Chronic Inflammatory Demyelinating Polyneuropathy)
 Wezlana (ustekinumab-auub)

Injectable infertility drugs:

Bravelle (urofollitropin) — prior authorization needed for commercial members only
 Cetrotide (cetorelix acetate)
 Chorionic gonadotropin
 Follistim AQ (follitropin beta)
 Ganirelix AC (ganirelix acetate)
 Gonal-f (follitropin alfa)
 Gonal-f RFF (follitropin alfa)
 Menopur (menotropins)
 Novarel (chorionic gonadotropin)
 Ovidrel (choriogonadotropin alfa)
 Pregnyl (chorionic gonadotropin)

Iron replacement agents:

Feraheme (ferumoxytol)
 Injectafer (ferric carboxymaltose injection)
 Monoferic (ferric derisomaltose)

Jelmyto (mitomycin)

Jesduvroq (daprodustat) — prior authorization needed for Medicare Advantage members only

Kebilidi (eladocagene exuparvovec-tneq) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care effective February 26, 2025

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Khapzory (levoleucoverin)

Kimmtrak (tebentafusp-tebn)

Korsuva (difelikefalin) — prior authorization needed for commercial members only

Krystexxa (pegloticase)

Kyprolis (carfilzomib)

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Lantidra (donislecel-jujn)

Lenmeldy (atidarsagene autotemcel) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Lunsumio (mosunetuzumab)

Luteinizing hormone-releasing hormone (LHRH) agents:

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Camcevi (leuprolide mesylate)

Eligard (leuprolide acetate) — prior authorization needed for commercial members only

Firmagon (degarelix) — prior authorization needed for commercial members only

Lutrate (leuprolide acetate)

Lupron depot (leuprolide acetate)

Trelstar (triptorelin pamoate)

Zoladex (goserelin)

Lyfgenia (lovotibeglogene autotemcel) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Lymphir (denileukin diftitox-cxdl)

Monjuvi (tafasitamab-cxix)

Multiple sclerosis drugs:

Briumvi (ublituximab)

Lemtrada (alemtuzumab) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Ocrevus (ocrelizumab) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Ocrevus Zunovo (ocrelizumab and hyaluronidase) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care effective February 1, 2025

Tysabri (natalizumab) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Tyruko (natalizumab-sztn) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site

Muscular dystrophy drugs:

(prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care)

Amondys 45 (casimersen)

Elevidys (delandistrogene moxeparvovec)

Exondys 51 (eteplirsen)

Viltepso (viltolarsen)

Vyondys 53 (golodirsen)

Mvasi (bevacizumab-awwb) — prior authorization needed for oncology indications only

Myalept (metreleptin) — prior authorization needed for commercial members only

Niktimvo (axatilimab-csfr)

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Nulibry (fosdenopterin)

Omisirge (omidubicel)

Ophthalmic injectables:

Ahzantive (aflibercept-mrbb)
 Beovu (brolucizumab-dblI)
 Byooviz (ranibizumab-nuna)
 Cimerli (ranibizumab-eqrn)
 Enzeevu (aflibercept-abzv)
 Eylea (aflibercept)
 Eylea HD (aflibercept)
 Izervay (avacincaptad pegol)
 Lucentis (ranibizumab)
 Luxturna (voretigene neparvovec-rzyl) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care
 Opuviz (aflibercept-yszy)
 Pavblu (aflibercept-ayyh)
 Susvimo (ranibizumab)
 Syfovre (pegcetacoplan)
 Tepezza (teprotumumab-trbw) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care
 Vabysmo (faricimab-svoa)
 Yesafili (aflibercept-jbvf)

Osteoporosis drugs:

Bonsity (teriparatide) — prior authorization needed for Medicare Advantage members only
 Evenity (romosozumab-aqqg)
 Forteo (teriparatide) — prior authorization needed for Medicare Advantage members only
 Miacalcin (calcitonin) — prior authorization needed for Medicare Advantage members only
 Prolia (denosumab)

Oxlumo (lumasiran) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Paclitaxel protein-bound particles — prior authorization needed for Medicare Advantage members only

Padcev (enfortumab vedotin)

Paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria (PNH)

(prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care)

Bkemv (eculizumab-aaeb)
 Epysqli (eculizumab-aagh)
 Soliris (eculizumab)
 Ultomiris (ravulizumab-cwvz)

Parsabiv (etelcalcetide) — prior authorization needed for commercial members only

PD1/PDL1 drugs (prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care):

Bavencio (avelumab)
 Imfinzi (durvalumab)
 Jemperli (dostarlimab-gxly)
 Keytruda (pembrolizumab)
 Libtayo (cemiplimab-rwlc)
 Loqtorzi (toripalimab-tpzi)
 Opdivo (nivolumab) Opdualag (nivolumab and relatlimab-rmbw)
 Tecentriq (atezolizumab)
 Tecentriq Hybreza (atezolizumab and hyaluronidase-tqjs) — prior authorization needed effective February 1, 2025
 Tevimbra (tislelizumab)

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Medicines

Zynyz (retifanlimab-dlwr)

Pedmark (sodium thiosulfate)

Pemfexy (pemetrexed) — prior authorization needed for Medicare Advantage members only

Polivy (polatuzumab vedotin-piiq)

Provenge (sipuleucel-T)

Pulmonary arterial hypertension drugs:

All epoprostenol sodium and sildenafil citrate

Flolan (epoprostenol sodium)

Remodulin (treprostinil sodium)

Tyvaso (treprostinil)

Veletri (epoprostenol sodium)

Ventavis (iloprost)

Winrevair (sotatercept-csrk)

Radiopharmaceutical Drugs

Metastron (Strontium-89 Chloride injection)

Pluvicto (lutetium Lu 177 vipivotide tetraxetan)

Reblozyl (luspatercept-aamt)

Respiratory injectables (prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care):

Cinqair (reslizumab)

Fasenra (benralizumab)

Nucala (mepolizumab)

Tezspire (tezepelumab-ekko)

Xolair (omalizumab)

Rivfloza (nedosiran)

Rybrevant (amivantamab-vmjw)

Ryplazim (plasminogen, human-tvmh)

Rytelo (imetelstat)

Saphnelo (anifrolumab-fnia) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Sarclisa (isatuximab-irfc)

Skysona/Lenti-D (elivaldogene autotemcel or elice)

Somatostatin agents:

Lanreotide (ciplā) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Sandostatin (octreotide)

Sandostatin LAR (octreotide acetate) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Signifor (pasireotide) — prior authorization needed for commercial members only

Signifor LAR (pasireotide)

Somatuline (lanreotide) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Somavert (pegvisomant) — prior authorization needed for commercial members only

Spinraza (nusinersen) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Spravato (esketamine)

Synagis (palivizumab)

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Services

Medicines

Talvey (talquetamab-tgvs)

Tecelra (afamitresgene autoleucel) — prior authorization needed for drug and site of care

Tecvayli (teclistamab-cqyv)

Tivdak (tisotumab vedotin-tftv)

Treanda (bendamustine HCl)

Trodelvy (sacituzumab govitecan-hziy)

Tzielid (teplizumab-mzwv)

Uplizna (inebilizumab-cdon) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Vectibix (panitumumab)

Vegzelma (bevacizumab-adcd) — prior authorization needed for oncology indications only

Velcade (bortezomib)

commercial plans — precertification required for multiple myeloma only

Medicare plans — precertification required for all diagnoses

Viscosupplements:

Durolane (Hyaluronic acid) — prior authorization needed for commercial members only

Euflexxa (1% sodium hyaluronate) — prior authorization needed for commercial members only

Gel-One (cross-linked hyaluronate)

Gelsyn-3 (sodium hyaluronate 0.84%)

Viscosupplements (continued):

Genvisc 850 (sodium hyaluronate)

Hyalgan (sodium hyaluronate)

Hymovis (high molecular weight viscoelastic hyaluronan)

Monovisc (high molecular weight hyaluronan)

Orthovisc (high molecular weight hyaluronan)

Supartz FX (sodium hyaluronate)

Synjoynnt (1% sodium hyaluronate)

Synvisc, Synvisc-One (hylan G-F 20) — prior authorization needed for commercial members only

Triluron (sodium hyaluronate)

TriVisc (sodium hyaluronate)

Visco 3 (sodium hyaluronate)

Vivimusta (bendamustine hydrochloride)

Vyjuvek (beremagene geperpavec)

Xgeva (denosumab)

Xofigo (radium Ra 223 dichloride)

Yervoy (ipilimumab) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Zepzelca (lurbinectedin)

Zilretta (triamcinolone acetonide extended release injectable suspension) — prior authorization needed for Medicare Advantage members only

Zirabev (bevacizumab-bvzr) — prior authorization needed for oncology indications only of care

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Zirabev (bevacizumab-bvzr) — prior authorization needed for oncology indications only

Zolgensma (onasemnogene abeparvovec-xioi) — prior authorization needed for the drug and site of care

Zulresso (brexanolone)

Zynlonta (loncastuximab tesirine-lpyl)

Zynteglo (betibeglogene autotemcel)



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Aetna Medicare, PO Box 7405 London, KY 40742
1-866-409-1221
TTY/TDD 711
California Relay 711

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Aetna Medicare Grievances
PO Box 14834 Lexington, KY 40512

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- **By phone:** Call **916-440-7370**. If you cannot speak or hear well, please call **711 (Telecommunications Relay Service)**.
- **In writing:** Fill out a complaint form or send a letter to:

**Deputy Director, Office of Civil Rights
Department of Health Care Services
Office of Civil Rights
P.O. Box 997413, MS 0009
Sacramento, CA 95899-7413**

Complaint forms are available at http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/Pages/Language_Access.aspx.

- **Electronically:** Send an email to CivilRights@dhcs.ca.gov.

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**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
200 Independence Avenue, SW
Room 509F, HHH Building
Washington, D.C. 20201**

Complaint forms are available at <http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html>.

- **Electronically:** Visit the Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal at <https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf>.

TTY: 711

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