

Prior Authorization Criteria  
**Uplizna (Inebilizumab-cdon)**

All requests for Uplizna (Inebilizumab-cdon) require a prior authorization and will be screened for medical necessity and appropriateness using the criteria listed below.

For all requests for Uplizna (Inebilizumab-cdon) all of the following criteria must be met in addition to the diagnosis specific criteria below:

- The requested dose and frequency is in accordance with FDA-approved labeling, nationally recognized compendia, and/or evidence-based practice guidelines
- Is age-appropriate according to FDA-approved package labeling, nationally recognized compendia, or peer-reviewed medical literature

Coverage may be provided with a diagnosis of Neuromyelitis Optica Spectrum Disorder (NMOSD) and the following criteria is met:

- Medication is prescribed by, or in consultation with a neurologist
- Documentation of a positive test for AQP4-IgG antibodies
- Documentation of at least 1 relapse in the last 12 months or 2 or more relapses that required rescue therapy in the last 24 months
- Documentation of an Expanded Disability Status Scale (EDSS) score of  $\leq 8$
- Must have documentation of inadequate response, contraindication or intolerance to rituximab or any of its biosimilars.
- **Initial Duration of Approval:** 12 months
- **Reauthorization criteria**
  - Documentation from the prescriber indicating stabilization or improvement in condition.
- **Reauthorization Duration of Approval:** 12 months

Coverage may be provided for any non-FDA labeled indication if it is determined that the use is a medically accepted indication supported by nationally recognized pharmacy compendia or peer-reviewed medical literature for treatment of the diagnosis(es) for which it is prescribed. These requests will be reviewed on a case by case basis to determine medical necessity.

When criteria are not met, the request will be forwarded to a Medical Director for review. The physician reviewer must override criteria when, in their professional judgment, the requested medication is medically necessary.



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**UPLIZNA (INEBILIZUMAB\_CDON)  
PRIOR AUTHORIZATION FORM**

Please complete and fax all requested information below including any progress notes, laboratory test results, or chart documentation as applicable to Highmark Wholecare Pharmacy Services. **FAX:** (888) 245-2049

If needed, you may call to speak to a Pharmacy Services Representative. **PHONE:** (800) 392-1147 Mon – Fri 8:30am to 5:00pm

**PROVIDER INFORMATION**

Requesting Provider:	Provider NPI:
Provider Specialty:	Office Contact:
State license #:	Office NPI:
Office Address:	Office Phone:
	Office Fax:

**MEMBER INFORMATION**

Member Name:	DOB:
Member ID:	Member weight: Height:

**REQUESTED DRUG INFORMATION**

Medication:	Strength:
Directions:	Quantity: Refills:
Is the member currently receiving requested medication? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Date Medication Initiated:	

**Billing Information**

This medication will be billed: <input type="checkbox"/> at a pharmacy <b>OR</b> <input type="checkbox"/> medically, JCODE: _____
Place of Service: <input type="checkbox"/> Hospital <input type="checkbox"/> Provider's office <input type="checkbox"/> Member's home <input type="checkbox"/> Other

**Place of Service Information**

Name:	NPI:
Address:	Phone:

**MEDICAL HISTORY (Complete for ALL requests)**

Diagnosis:	ICD Code:
Is documentation of a positive test for AQP4-IgG antibodies provided? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
What is the member's Expanded Disability Status Scale (EDSS) score? _____	
Has the member had at least 1 relapse that required rescue therapy in the last 12 months or 2 or more relapses that required rescue therapy in the last 24 months? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

**CURRENT or PREVIOUS THERAPY**

Medication Name	Strength/ Frequency	Dates of Therapy	Status (Discontinued & Why/Current)

**REAUTHORIZATION**

Has the member experienced an improvement with treatment? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If <b>Yes</b> , please include documentation.
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**SUPPORTING INFORMATION or CLINICAL RATIONALE**


**Prescribing Provider Signature**

**Date**

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**DRUG NAME**

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**MEDICAL HISTORY (Complete for ALL requests)**

Add questions or options for providing information as needed.

☐ Yes ☐ No

☐ Yes ☐ No

☐ Yes ☐ No

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Medication Name	Strength/ Frequency	Dates of Therapy	Status (Discontinued & Why/Current)

**REAUTHORIZATION**

Add questions as needed

Has the member experienced an improvement with treatment? ☐ Yes ☐ No

**SUPPORTING INFORMATION or CLINICAL RATIONALE**


**Prescribing Provider Signature**

**Date**

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