

I. Requirements for Prior Authorization of Antimigraine Agents, Triptans

A. Prescriptions That Require Prior Authorization

Prescriptions for Antimigraine Agents, Triptans that meet any of the following conditions must be prior authorized:

- 1. A non-preferred Antimigraine Agent, Triptan. See the Preferred Drug List (PDL) for the list of preferred Antimigraine Agents, Triptans at: <u>https://papdl.com/preferred-drug-list</u>.
- 2. An Antimigraine Agent, Triptan when there is a record of a recent paid claim for another Antimigraine Agent, Triptan (therapeutic duplication).

B. Review of Documentation for Medical Necessity

In evaluating a request for prior authorization of a prescription for an Antimigraine Agent, Triptan, the determination of whether the requested prescription is medically necessary will take into account the whether the beneficiary:

- 1. For a non-preferred Antimigraine Agent, Triptan, has a history of therapeutic failure, contraindication, or intolerance to the preferred Antimigraine Agents, Triptans; **AND**
- 2. For therapeutic duplication, **one** of the following:
 - a. Is being titrated to or tapered from another drug in the same class
 - b. Has a medical reason for concomitant use of the requested medications that is supported by peer-reviewed literature or national treatment guidelines;

AND

- 3. If a prescription for an Antimigraine Agent, Triptan is for a quantity that exceeds the quantity limit, the determination of whether the prescription is medically necessary will also take into account **both** of the following:
 - a. Has a history of chronic, severe migraine as defined by the International Classification of Headache Disorders criteria
 - b. Is using the requested medication in addition to a medication for migraine prophylaxis.

NOTE: If the beneficiary does not meet the clinical review guidelines listed above but, in the professional judgment of the physician reviewer, the services are medically necessary to meet the medical needs of the beneficiary, the request for prior authorization will be approved.

C. Clinical Review Process

Prior authorization personnel will review the request for prior authorization and apply the clinical guidelines in Section B. above to assess the medical necessity of a prescription for an Antimigraine Agent, Triptan. If the guidelines in Section B. are met, the reviewer will prior authorize the prescription. If the guidelines are not met the prior authorization request will be referred to a physician reviewer for a medical necessity determination. Such a request for prior authorization will be approved when, in the professional judgment of the physician reviewer, the services are medically necessary to meet the medical needs of the beneficiary.



NON-PREFERRED MEDICATION PRIOR AUTHORIZATION FORM (form effective 01/01/20)

New request	Renewal request	# of pages:	Prescriber name:					
Name of office contact:			Specialty:					
Contact's phone number:						State license #:		
LTC facility contact/phone:			Street address:					
Beneficiary name:			Suite #:					
Beneficiary ID#:			Phone:			Fax:		
	Place of Service: Hospital Provider's Office Home Other							
Medication will be billed via: Pharmacy Medical (Jcode:) Place of Service: Hospital Provider's Office Home Other Please refer to https://papdl.com/preferred-drug-list for the list of preferred and non-preferred medications in each Preferred Drug List class.								
Non-preferred medication name:		Dosage form: Strength:						
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Directions:					Quantity: Refills:			
Diagnosis (submit documentation):					Dx code (required):			
Has the beneficiary taken the requested non-preferred medication in the past 90 days? (<i>submit documentation</i>)								
documentation (e.g., recent chart/clinic notes, diagnostic evaluations, lab results, etc.) supporting this non-preferred request.								
Treatment failure or inadequate response with preferred medication(s) (include drug name, dose, and start/stop dates):								
Unacceptable side effects, hypersensitivities, or other intolerances to preferred medication(s) <i>(include description and drug name(s))</i> :								
Contraindication to preferred medication(s) <i>(include description and drug name(s))</i> :								
Unique clinical or age-specific indications supported by FDA approval or medical literature (describe):								
Absence of preferred medication(s) with appropriate formulation (list medical reason formulation is required):								
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Drug-drug interaction with preferred medication(s) (describe):								
Other medical reason(s) the beneficiary cannot use the preferred medication(s) (<i>describe</i>):								
For renewal requests of previously approved medications, submit documentation of tolerability and beneficiary's clinical response.								
PLEASE FAX COMPLETED FORM TO GATEWAY – PHARMACY DIVISION								

Prescriber Signature:

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