

## I. Requirements for Prior Authorization of Antiparasitics, Topical

## A. <u>Prescriptions That Require Prior Authorization</u>

Prescriptions for a non-preferred Antiparasitic, Topical must be prior authorized.

See the Preferred Drug List (PDL) for the list of preferred Antiparasitics, Topical at: <a href="https://papdl.com/preferred-drug-list">https://papdl.com/preferred-drug-list</a>.

## B. Review of Documentation for Medical Necessity

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

- 1. For lindane, **all** of the following:
  - Has a history of therapeutic failure of or a contraindication or an intolerance to the preferred Antiparasitics, Topical approved or medically accepted for the beneficiary's diagnosis,
  - b. Weighs ≥50 kilograms,
  - c. Does not take medication that may reduce the seizure threshold (such as but not limited to meperidine, cyclosporine, theophylline)

#### AND

2. For all other non-preferred Antiparasitic, Topicals, has a history of therapeutic failure of or a contraindication or an intolerance to the preferred Antiparasitics, Topical approved or medically accepted for the beneficiary's diagnosis.

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 the request for a prescription for an Antiparasitic, Topical. 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 recipient.

# D. Dose and Duration of Therapy

Requests for prior authorization of Antiparasitics, Topical will be approved for a dose and duration of therapy consistent with FDA-approved package labeling.



Highmark Wholecare Pharmacy Division Phone 800-392-1147 Fax 888-245-2049

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

	of pages:	Prescriber name:			
Name of office contact:		Specialty:			
Contact's phone number:		NPI:	NPI: State license #:		ise #:
LTC facility contact/phone:		Street address:			
Beneficiary name:		Suite #:	City/State/	/Zip:	
Beneficiary ID#:	DOB:	Phone:		Fax:	
Medication will be billed via: Pharmacy Medical (Jcode: ) Place of Service: Hospital Provider's Office Home					
Please refer to <a href="https://papdl.com/preferred-drug-list">https://papdl.com/preferred-drug-list</a> for the list of preferred and non-preferred medications in each Preferred Drug List class.  Non-preferred  Dosage					
medication name:		form:		Strength:	
Directions:				Quantity:	Refills:
Diagnosis (submit documentation):			Dx code (required):		
Has the beneficiary taken the requested non-preferred medication in the past 90 days? (submit documentation)					
Describe all applicable medical reasons the beneficiary cannot use the preferred medication(s) in the same Preferred Drug List class. Submit 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) (include description and drug name(s)):					
Contraindication to preferred medication(s) (include description and drug name(s)):					
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):					
□ Drug-drug interaction with preferred medication(s) (describe):					
Other medical reason(s) the beneficiary cannot use the preferred medication(s) (describe):					
For renewal requests of previously approved medications, submit documentation of tolerability and beneficiary's clinical response.					
PLEASE FAX COMPLETED FORM TO HIGHMARK WHOLECARE – PHARMACY DIVISION					
Prescriber Signature:			Date:		