

Icatibant (Firazyr, Sajazir)

Override(s)	Approval Duration
Prior Authorization Quantity Limit	1 year

Medications	Quantity Limit
Firazyr (icatibant) Sajazir (icatibant)	Up to 3 syringes (90 mg) per attack (Max: 18 syringes/30 days)

APPROVAL CRITERIA

Requests for Firazyr (icatibant) or Sajazir (icatibant) may be approved if the following criteria are met:

- I. Individual has a diagnosis of hereditary angioedema; **AND**
- II. Individual is using for treatment of acute attacks (not prophylaxis); **AND**
- III. Individual is 18 years of age or older; **AND**
- IV. Documentation is provided that diagnosis is verified by a C4 level below the lower limit of normal as defined by the laboratory performing the test **AND** one of the following:
 - A. C1 inhibitor (C1-INH) antigenic level below the lower limit of normal as defined by the laboratory performing the test with documentation provided; **OR**
 - B. C1-INH functional level below the lower limit of normal as defined by the laboratory performing the test with documentation provided; **AND**
- V. Individual has a history of moderate or severe attacks such as airway swelling, severe abdominal pain, facial swelling, nausea and vomiting, or painful facial distortion.

Requests for **brand** Firazyr must also meet the following criteria, in addition to the above Prior Authorization criteria:

- I. Documentation is provided that individual has failed an adequate trial of one chemically equivalent generic icatibant agent. Medication samples/coupons/discount cards are excluded from consideration as a trial.; **AND**
 - A. Documentation is provided that generic icatibant had inadequate response; **OR**
 - B. Documentation is provided that generic icatibant caused adverse outcome; **OR**
 - C. Documentation is provided that the individual has a genuine allergic reaction to an inactive ingredient in generic agent. Allergic reaction(s) must be clearly documented in the individual's medical record.

Requests for Firazyr or Sajazir may not be approved for the following:

- I. In combination with other Hereditary Angioedema (HAE) agents for acute attacks (including but not limited to Berinert, Icatibant (Firazyr, Sajazir), Kalbitor, or Ruconest); **OR**

II. When the above criteria are not met and for all other indications.

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