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Request for Prior Authorization for Krystexxa (pegloticase)

Website Form – www.highmarkhealthoptions.com

Submit request via: Fax - 1-855-476-4158

All requests for Krystexxa (pegloticase) require a Prior Authorization and will be screened for medical necessity and appropriateness using the criteria listed below.

Krystexxa (pegloticase) Prior Authorization Criteria:

- The member must be 18 years of age or older
- The medication must be prescribed by or in consultation with a rheumatologist
- Documentation the member will be using the medication in combination with methotrexate unless methotrexate is contraindicated or not clinically appropriate
- An attestation from the prescriber that the member has discontinued all oral urate-lowering medications prior to starting Krystexxa and will not restart therapy with an oral urate-lowering agent while on Krystexxa
- There must be documentation of a recent (within 1 month) serum uric acid level ≥ 6 mg/dL
- The member must have tried and failed or had an intolerance or contraindication to 3 months of therapy with allopurinol
 - Failure is considered both of the following:
 - the inability to normalize uric acid to less than 6mg/dL
 - frequent gout flares (≥ 2 flares/year) and/or nonresolving subcutaneous tophi
- The member must have tried and failed or had an intolerance or contraindication to 3 months of therapy with at least one of the following:
 - allopurinol in combination with an uricosuric agent (i.e. probenecid.)
 - another xanthine oxidase inhibitor (XOI) (i.e. febuxostat (non-preferred XOIs require prior authorization))
 - Failure is considered both of the following:
 - the inability to normalize uric acid to less than 6mg/dL
 - frequent gout flares (≥ 2 flares/year) and/or nonresolving subcutaneous tophi
- The requested dose and frequency is in accordance with FDA-approved labeling, nationally recognized compendia, and/or evidence-based practice guidelines
- **Initial Duration of Approval:** 6 months
- **Reauthorization criteria:**
 - The member must have documentation from the prescriber indicating improvement or stabilization in condition



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- Documentation of two recent consecutive (within the last 12 months) serum uric acid levels.
 - Rationale from the prescriber for why treatment must be continued if serum uric acid levels increase to above 6 mg/dL, particularly when 2 consecutive levels above 6 mg/dL are observed.

- **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.



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**KRYSTEXXA (PEGLOTICASE)
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 Health Options Pharmacy Services. **FAX:** (855) 476-4158

If needed, you may call to speak to a Pharmacy Services Representative.

PHONE: (844) 325-6251 Monday through Friday 8:00am to 7:00pm

PROVIDER INFORMATION

Requesting Provider:	NPI:
Provider Specialty:	Office Contact:
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:	

Is this medication being used for a chronic or long-term condition for which the medication may be necessary for the life of the patient? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Billing Information

This medication will be billed: ☐ at a pharmacy **OR**
☐ medically (if medically please provide a JCODE: _____)

Place of Service: ☐ Hospital ☐ Provider's office ☐ Member's home ☐ Other

Place of Service Information

Name:	NPI:
Address:	Phone:

MEDICAL HISTORY (Complete for ALL requests)

Diagnosis: ☐ Chronic Gout ☐ Other _____

Serum uric acid level: _____ Date taken: _____

Has the member discontinued all oral urate lowering medications prior to starting therapy and will the member stay off all urate lowering medications while on therapy with Krystexxa? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Will the member be using Krystexxa in combination with methotrexate? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If no please explain why: _____

REAUTHORIZATION

Has the member shown improvement or stabilization? ☐ Yes ☐ No

2 Consecutive serum uric acid levels: _____ Date taken: _____
_____ Date taken: _____



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Member Name:		DOB:	
Member ID:			
CURRENT or PREVIOUS THERAPY			
Medication Name	Strength/ Frequency	Dates of Therapy	Status (Discontinued & Why / Current)
SUPPORTING INFORMATION or CLINICAL RATIONALE			
Prescribing Provider Signature		Date	



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