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**Request for Prior Authorization for Provigil (modafinil) and Nuvigil (armodafinil)**  
**Website Form – [www.highmarkhealthoptions.com](http://www.highmarkhealthoptions.com)**  
**Submit request via: Fax - 1-855-476-4158**

All requests for Provigil (modafinil) and Nuvigil (armodafinil) require a prior authorization and will be screened for medical necessity and appropriateness using the criteria listed below.

For all requests for Provigil (modafinil) and Nuvigil (armodafinil) all of the following criteria must be met:

- 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
- The member is not receiving concurrent treatment with a sedative hypnotic for the diagnosis of Narcolepsy or Obstructive Sleep Apnea/Hypopnea Syndrome.

Coverage may be provided with a diagnosis of Narcolepsy (with or without Cataplexy) and the following criteria is met:

- Documentation within any time frame that the member has daily periods of irrepressible need to sleep or daytime lapses into sleep occurring for at least 3 months and at least one of the following:
  - Cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) hypocretin-1 deficiency one-third less than normal or <110 pg/mL
  - Polysomnogram sleep study test with REM sleep latency  $\leq$  15 minutes
  - Multiple sleep latency testing with a mean sleep latency  $\leq$  8 minutes with  $\geq$  2 sleep onset REM sleep periods (SOREMP)
- **Initial Duration of Approval:** 12 months
- **Reauthorization criteria**
  - Documentation the member has experienced an improvement in symptoms
- **Reauthorization Duration of approval:** 12 months

Coverage may be provided with a diagnosis of Obstructed Sleep Apnea/Hypopnea Syndrome (OSAHS) and the following criteria is met:

- OSAHS is documented by at least one of the following tests: Polysomnogram, Apnea Hypopnea Index and/or a Respiratory Disturbance Index (RDI) score showing greater than 5 obstructive apneas per hour, each greater than 10 seconds in duration
- Must have documentation from the physician that the member is compliant with using a CPAP (continuous positive airway pressure) machine on a regular basis, defined by at least four (4) hours a night on at least 70% of the nights



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- Must have documentation from the physician that the CPAP machine failed to resolve excessive daytime sleepiness demonstrated by either Epworth Sleepiness Scale (ESS) greater than 10 or Multiple Sleep Latency Test less than 6 minutes.
- **Initial Duration of Approval:** 12 months
- **Reauthorization criteria**
  - Documentation the member has experienced an improvement in symptoms
- **Reauthorization Duration of approval:** 12 months

Coverage may be provided with a diagnosis of Shift-work Sleep Disorder and the following criteria is met:

- Member has chronic excessive sleepiness for at least 3 months
- There is documentation of the member's recurring work schedule with a minimum of 5 night shifts per month
- Documentation is provided that indicates shift-work results in sleepiness on the job or insomnia at home which interferes with activities of daily living
- Primary symptoms are associated with a work period (particularly night shift) that occurs during the habitual sleep phase
- Documentation of a sleep log or actigraphy for at least 14 days
- **Initial Duration of Approval:** 12 months
- **Reauthorization criteria**
  - Documentation the member has experienced an improvement in symptoms
  - Documentation is submitted showing the member's recurring work schedule showing a minimum of 5 night shifts per month
- **Reauthorization Duration of approval:** 12 months

Coverage may be provided with a diagnosis of Chronic Fatigue due to Multiple Sclerosis and the following criteria is met: **(modafinil only)**

- The member is receiving, or is intolerant to, treatment for multiple sclerosis
- The member experienced a trial and failure of amantadine
- **Initial Duration of Approval:** 12 months
- **Reauthorization criteria**
  - Documentation the member has experienced an improvement in symptoms
- **Reauthorization Duration of approval:** 12 months

Coverage may be provided with a diagnosis of idiopathic hypersomnia if the following criteria is met:

- Documentation of a baseline Epworth Sleepiness Scale score OR documentation of a baseline Idiopathic Hypersomnia Severity Score
- Insufficient sleep syndrome is confirmed absent via at least a week of wrist actigraphy or lack of improvement after an adequate trial of increased nocturnal time in bed



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- Documentation of a MSLT showing fewer than 2 SOREMPs, OR, no SOREMPs, if the REM latency on the preceding sleep study was  $\geq 15$  minutes
- Cataplexy is confirmed to be absent
- Must provide documentation of at least one of the following:
  - MSLT shows a mean sleep latency of  $\leq 8$  minutes
  - Total 24-hour sleep time is  $\geq 660$  minutes (typically 12 to 14 hours) on 24-hour polysomnography or by wrist actigraphy in association with a sleep log

**Initial Duration of Approval:** 3 months

**Reauthorization criteria**

- Documentation of an improvement in Epworth Sleepiness Scale score from baseline OR improvement in Idiopathic Hypersomnia Severity Score.

**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.

Drugs are authorized in generic form unless the branded product is on the preferred drug list or the prescriber has indicated in writing that the branded product is medically necessary. If only the branded product is on the preferred drug list, the generic form will be considered non-preferred and shall not require the prescriber to indicate in writing that the branded product is medically necessary.



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**PROVIGIL (MODAFINIL) AND NUVIGIL (ARMODAFINIL)  
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:	Member height:

**REQUESTED DRUG INFORMATION**

Medication:	Strength:
Frequency:	Duration:
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? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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:	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Narcolepsy</b>	<p>Is the patient receiving concurrent treatment with a sedative hypnotic? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Is a sleep study attached? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>For reauthorization only:</b></p> <p>Has the member experienced an improvement in symptoms? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Obstructive Sleep Apnea/Hypopnea Syndrome (OSAHS)</b>	<p>Is the patient receiving concurrent treatment with a sedative hypnotic? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Is a sleep study attached? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Please provide documentation of patient's compliance with a CPAP machine.</p> <p><b>For reauthorization only:</b></p> <p>Has the member experienced an improvement in symptoms? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Shift-work Sleep Disorder</b>	<p>Please provide documentation of the member's recurring work schedule.</p> <p>Please provide chart documentation that shift-work results in sleepiness on the job or insomnia at home that interferes with daily living.</p> <p>Are there any other medical, mental, or sleep disorders that could account for symptoms of excessive sleepiness? If yes, please list: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Please provide documentation of a sleep log or actigraphy for at least 14 days.</p> <p><b>For reauthorization only:</b></p> <p>Has the member experienced an improvement in symptoms? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Please provide member's work schedule</p>

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**MEMBER INFORMATION**

Member Name:	DOB:
Member ID:	Member weight: _____ pounds or _____ kg
Fatigue secondary to Multiple Sclerosis (MS) (modafinil only)	Is the member on an agent to treat multiple sclerosis? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	Has the member had a trial and failure of amantadine? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	If no, provide clinical rationale as to why amantadine cannot be used: _____
Idiopathic Hypersomnia	<b>For reauthorization only:</b> Has the member experienced an improvement in symptoms? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	Is the member experiencing cataplexy? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Is the sleep study or actigraphy attached? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

**REFERENCE VALUES**

Lab	Initial (Pre-Treatment) Score	Date	Post-Therapy Score (Reauthorization only)	Date
Maintenance of Wakefulness Test (MWT) [for Narcolepsy or OSAHS only]				
Epworth Sleepiness Scale (ESS) [ OSAHS and idiopathic hypersomnia]				
Idiopathic Hypersomnia Severity Score (idiopathic hypersomnia only)				
Multiple Sleep Latency Test (MSLT) [not necessary for Chronic Fatigue secondary to MS]				

**CURRENT or PREVIOUS THERAPY**

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

**SUPPORTING INFORMATION or CLINICAL RATIONALE**

Prescribing Provider Signature		Date