

Prior Authorization Criteria  
**Biologic Response Modifiers for Cystic Fibrosis**

All requests for Biologic Response Modifiers for Cystic Fibrosis require a prior authorization and will be screened for medical necessity and appropriateness using the criteria listed below.

Biologic Response Modifiers for Cystic Fibrosis include Kalydeco (ivacaftor), Symdeko (tezacaftor/ivacaftor), and Orkambi (lumacaftor/ivacaftor). New products with this classification will require the same documentation.

Coverage may be provided with a diagnosis of Cystic Fibrosis and the following criteria is met:

- Member is at least 2 years of age for Orkambi, 6 months of age for Kalydeco, and 12 years of age for Symdeko
- Has a documented genetic mutation as noted in the package labeling
- Documentation of baseline lab tests:
  - AST and ALT
  - FEV1
- Had all potential drug interactions addressed by the prescriber (such as discontinuation of the interacting drug, dose reduction of the interacting drug, or counseling of the member of the risks associated with the use of both medications when they interact)
- 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:** 3 months
- **Reauthorization Criteria**
  - Had all potential drug interactions addressed by the prescriber (such as discontinuation of the interacting drug, dose reduction of the interacting drug, or counseling of the member of the risks associated with the use of both medications when they interact)
  - Continues to benefit from treatment based on the prescriber's assessment
  - Repeat AST/ALT are  $\leq 5$  times the upper normal limit
  - For Orkambi and Symdeko: must not have repeat lab results with AST/ALT  $> 3$  times the upper normal limit **AND** bilirubin  $> 2$  times the upper normal limit. If only one of these is elevated, continued use is appropriate.
- **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.

When criteria are not met, the request will be forwarded to a Medical Director for review. The physician reviewer must override criteria when, in their professional judgment, the requested medication is medically necessary.

**BIOLOGIC RESPONSE MODIFIERS FOR CYSTIC FIBROSIS  
PRIOR AUTHORIZATION FORM**

Please complete and fax all requested information below including any progress notes, laboratory test results, or chart documentation as applicable to Gateway Health<sup>SM</sup> Pharmacy Services. **FAX:** (888) 245-2049  
If needed, you may call to speak to a Pharmacy Services Representative.  
**PHONE:** (800) 392-1147 Monday through Friday 8:30am to 5:00pm

**PROVIDER INFORMATION**

Requesting Provider:	NPI:
Provider Specialty:	Office Contact:
Office Address:	Office Phone:
	Office Fax:

**MEMBER INFORMATION**

Member Name:	DOB:
Gateway ID:	Member weight: _____ pounds or _____ kg

**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:	

**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:**  
 Cystic Fibrosis  
     ➤ Is there a genetic mutation as noted in the package labeling?  Yes, please indicate the mutation: \_\_\_\_\_  No  
 Other: \_\_\_\_\_ ICD-10: \_\_\_\_\_

Have baseline AST, ALT, and FEV1 been completed?  Yes  No

Have all potential drug interactions been addressed by the prescriber (such as discontinuation of the interacting drug, dose reduction of the interacting drug, or counseling of the member of the risks associated with the use of both medications when they interact)?  Yes  No

**REAUTHORIZATION**

Has the member experienced benefit from treatment?  Yes  No

Have all potential drug interactions been addressed by the prescriber (such as discontinuation of the interacting drug, dose reduction of the interacting drug, or counseling of the member of the risks associated with the use of both medications when they interact)?  Yes  No

Is the AST or ALT  $\leq$  5 times the upper limit of normal?  Yes  No

Orkambi and Symdeko:  
     ➤ Is the AST or ALT  $>$  3 times the upper limit of normal?  Yes  No  
     ➤ Is the bilirubin  $>$  2 times the upper limit of normal?  Yes  No

**SUPPORTING INFORMATION or CLINICAL RATIONALE**


**Prescribing Provider Signature**

**Date**

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