



Prior Authorization Criteria

Antipsychotics for Children Younger than 18 Years of Age

All requests for Antipsychotics for children younger than 18 years of age require a prior authorization and will be screened for medical necessity and appropriateness using the criteria listed below.

Antipsychotics for Children Younger than 18 Years of Age Prior Authorization Criteria:

- Coverage may be provided when there is documented evidence of severe behavioral problems related to psychotic or neuro-developmental disorders such as seen in, but not limited to, the following diagnoses:
 - Autism Spectrum Disorder
 - Intellectual disability
 - Conduct Disorder
 - Bipolar Disorder
 - Tic Disorder, including Tourette's Syndrome
 - Transient encephalopathy
 - Schizophrenia
- Medication is prescribed by, or in consultation with, an appropriate specialist including:
 - Pediatric Neurologist
 - Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist
 - Child Development Pediatrician
 - General Psychiatrist when the member is at least 14 years of age
- Chart documented evidence is provided of a comprehensive evaluation including documentation that non-pharmacologic therapies such as, but not limited to, evidence based behavioral, cognitive and family based therapies have been tried
- The member has documentation of all of the following baseline measurements:
 - Weight or body mass index (BMI)
 - Blood pressure
 - Fasting glucose
 - Extrapyrimal symptoms (EPS) using the Abnormal Involuntary Movement Scale (AIMS)
 - Fasting lipid panel
- If the request is for a new start, the following additional criteria must be met:
 - For a non-formulary oral atypical antipsychotic, the member has tried and failed two formulary oral atypical antipsychotics
 - For Latuda, the member has tried and failed one generic formulary oral atypical antipsychotic
 - For clozapine, the member has tried and failed at least two other oral antipsychotics
 - For an injectable, there is evidence tolerability has been established with an oral antipsychotic prior to initiation of an injectable antipsychotic **AND** there is evidence describing compliance concerns with daily oral dosage forms of antipsychotics
- **Initial Duration of Approval: 3 months**

- **Reauthorization criteria**
 - Documentation of all of the following:
 - Improvement in target symptoms
 - Has a documented plan for taper/discontinuation of the antipsychotic or rationale for continued use
 - Chart information supporting monitoring of the following:
 - Weight or BMI
 - Blood pressure
 - Glucose
 - Lipids
 - EPS using AIMS
- **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.



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**ANTIPSYCHOTICS FOR CHILDREN YOUNGER THAN AGE 18
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 HealthSM 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: ☐ Autism ☐ Intellectual disability ☐ Conduct Disorder ☐ Bipolar ☐ Schizophrenia
☐ Tic Disorder/Tourette's ☐ Transient encephalopathy ☐ Other: _____ ICD-10: _____

Is this medication being prescribed by or in consultation with one of the following specialists?
☐ Pediatric Neurologist ☐ Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist ☐ Child Development Pediatrician
☐ General Psychiatrist ☐ Other: _____

Is there chart documented evidence of a comprehensive evaluation that describes severe behavioral problems related to the diagnosis? Documentation must be provided via a fax attachment to this request. ☐ Yes, documentation is attached
☐ No

Please indicate the non-pharmacologic therapies that have been tried (check all that apply):
☐ Cognitive therapy ☐ Evidence-based behavioral therapy ☐ Family-based therapy ☐ Other:

Has the member had monitoring of weight, blood pressure, fasting glucose, fasting lipid panel, and extrapyramidal symptoms (EPS) using the Abnormal Involuntary Movement Scale (AIMS)? ☐ Yes, documentation is attached ☐ No

FOR INJECTABLES:
➤ Has the member tolerated a trial of the oral dosage form for the medication requested? ☐ Yes ☐ No
➤ Are there issues with compliance of oral dosage forms? ☐ Yes, please explain below ☐ No

CURRENT or PREVIOUS THERAPY

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

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MEMBER INFORMATION

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

REAUTHORIZATION

Has the member shown improvement in target symptoms? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Please describe:

Please provide rationale for continued use of the antipsychotic OR a plan for taper/discontinuation:

- ☐ Rationale for continued use: _____
☐ Plan for taper/discontinuation: _____

Has the member had follow-up monitoring of weight, blood pressure, glucose, lipids, and EPS using AIMS?

☐ Yes, documentation is attached ☐ No

SUPPORTING INFORMATION or CLINICAL RATIONALE

Prescribing Provider Signature	Date