



Prior Authorization Criteria

Enbrel™ and etancercept biosimiliars (Erelzi™)

All requests for Enbrel™ and etancercept biosimiliars (Erelzi™) require a prior authorization and will be screened for medical necessity and appropriateness using the criteria listed below.

Drug Name Prior Authorization Criteria:

For all requests for Enbrel™ and etancercept biosimiliars (Erelzi™) all of the following criteria must be met:

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The following agents are on formulary:

- Enbrel™
- All other biosimilars are considered non-formulary and require documentation of failure with Enbrel™ in addition to meeting the criteria outlined below.
- Members who are currently established on an Enbrel biosimilar will not be required to change to a preferred/formulary product.

For all requests for Enbrel™ and etancercept biosimiliars all of the following criteria must be met:

- The prescriber must be a rheumatologist, gastroenterologist, or dermatologist.
- Member should not have live vaccines administered when taking Enbrel or etancercept biosimilars.
- The requested dose and frequency is in accordance with FDA-approved labeling, nationally recognized compendia, and/or evidence-based practice guidelines.

Coverage may be provided with a diagnosis of **Rheumatoid Arthritis** and the following criteria is met:

- Member is 18 years of age or older.
- Member must have a history of trial and failure, contraindication, or intolerance to a three-month trial with methotrexate, or another DMARD.
- **Initial Duration of Approval:**
 - 6 months
- **Reauthorization Criteria**
 - Reauthorization benefit will be approved if there is documented, significant improvement with prior courses of treatment
 - **Reauthorization Duration of Approval:** 12 months

Coverage may be provided with a diagnosis of **Polyarticular Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis** and the following criteria is met:

- Member is 2 years of age or older.
- Member must meet ONE of the following:

- The member has an AJC (active joint count)>0 and continued disease activity after 3 months of MTX or leflonamide.
- The member has an AJC (active joint count)>0 and continued disease activity after 1 month of anakinra (may require prior authorization).
- **Initial Duration of Approval:**
 - 6 months
- **Reauthorization Criteria**
 - Reauthorization benefit will be approved if there is documented, significant improvement with prior courses of treatment
 - **Reauthorization Duration of Approval:** 12 months

Coverage may be provided with a diagnosis of **Psoriatic Arthritis** and the following criteria is met:

- Medication is Enbrel™ (etanercept).
- Member must be 18 years of age or older
- Member has moderately to severely active psoriatic arthritis which must include documentation of either active psoriatic lesions or documented history of psoriasis.
- Member must have a history of trial and failure, contraindication, or intolerance to ALL of the following:
 - Member without axial disease:
 - Four- week trial each of at least 2 NSAIDs.
 - Eight week trial of methotrexate or other DMARD
 - Member with axial disease
 - Four- week trial each of at least 2 NSAIDs.
 - Member with psoriatic arthritis with enthesitis
 - Four- week trial each of at least 2 NSAIDs
- **Initial Duration of Approval:**
 - 6 months
- **Reauthorization Criteria**
 - Reauthorization benefit will be approved if there is documented, significant improvement with prior courses of treatment
 - **Reauthorization Duration of Approval:** 12 months

Coverage may be provided with a diagnosis of **Ankylosing Spondylitis** and the following criteria is met:

- Member is 18 years of age or older.
- Member must have a history of trial and failure, contraindication, or intolerance to a four- week trial each of at least 2 NSAIDs.
- **Initial Duration of Approval:** 6 months
- **Reauthorization Criteria:**
 - Reauthorization benefit will be approved if there is documented, significant improvement with prior courses of treatment.
 - **Reauthorization Duration of Approval:** 12 months

Coverage may be provided with a diagnosis of **Plaque Psoriasis** and the following criteria is met:

- Medication is Enbrel™ (etanercept).
- Member is 4 years of age or older.

- Member must have clinical documentation of a diagnosis of moderate to severe plaque psoriasis characterized by greater than or equal to 5% body surface involved or disease affecting crucial body areas such as hands, feet, face, or genitals.
- Members must have therapeutic failure of a three-month trial or a contraindication to at least ONE of the following:
 - Psoralens with UVA light (PUVA) or UVB light
 - Systemic treatments including ONE of the following:
 - Immunomodulators (i.e. Methotrexate, Cyclosporine)
 - Retinoids (i.e. Soriatane)
- **Initial Duration of Approval:** 6 months
- **Reauthorization Criteria:**
 - Clinical documentation that supports a decrease in percent of body surface area involvement when compared to baseline must be submitted
 - **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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**Enbrel™ and Etanccept biosimilars
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:
Health Options 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:	
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)

- Is the medication being prescribed by or in association with a rheumatologist, gastroenterologist, or dermatologist?
 Yes No
- Will the provider attest that member will not have live vaccines administered when taking Enbrel or etanccept biosimilars? Yes No
- Which of the following diagnoses will the medication be used for:
Please check the one that applies
 - Rheumatoid Arthritis Yes No
 - Polyarticular Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis Yes No
 - Psoriatic Arthritis Yes No
 - Ankylosing Spondylitis Yes No
 - Plaque Psoriasis Yes No
 - Other Diagnosis: _____
- If member is using for a diagnosis of Rheumatoid Arthritis, answer the following questions:
 - Is member 18 years of age or older? Yes No

- b. Is member must have a history of trial and failure, contraindication, or intolerance to a three-month trial with methotrexate, or another DMARD. Yes No
5. If member is using for a diagnosis of Polyarticular Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis, answer the following questions:
- a. Is member 2 years of age or older? Yes No
- b. Does the member must meet ONE or the following? Yes No
- i. The member has an AJC (active joint count)>0 and continued disease activity after 3 months of MTX or leflonamide.
- ii. The member has an AJC (active joint count)>0 and continued disease activity after 1 month of anakinra
6. If member is using for a diagnosis of Psoriatic Arthritis, answer the following questions:
- a. Is the medication being prescribed Enbrel®? Yes No
- b. Is member 18 years of age or older? Yes No
- c. Does the member have moderately to severely active psoriatic arthritis which must include documentation of either active psoriatic lesions or documented history of psoriasis?
 Yes No
- d. Does member have a history of trial and failure, contraindication, or intolerance to any of the following:
Please check all that apply
- i. Member without axial disease:
1. Four week trial each of at least 2 NSAIDs. Yes No
2. Eight week trial of methotrexate or other DMARD Yes No
- ii. Member with axial disease
1. Four week trial each of at least 2 NSAIDs. Yes No
- iii. Member with psoriatic arthritis with enthesitis
1. Four week trial each of at least 2 NSAIDs Yes No
7. If member is using for diagnosis of Ankylosing Spondylitis, answer the following questions:
- a. Is member is 18 years of age or older? Yes No
- b. Does member have a history of trial and failure, contraindication, or intolerance to a four- week trial each of at least 2 NSAIDs? Yes No
8. If member using for diagnosis of Plaque Psoriasis and the following criteria is met:
- a. Is the medication being prescribed Enbrel® (etanercept). Yes No
- b. Is member 4 years of age or older? Yes No
- c. Does Member have clinical documentation of a diagnosis of moderate to severe plaque psoriasis characterized by greater than or equal to 5% body surface involved or disease affecting crucial body areas such as hands, feet, face, or genitals? Yes No
- d. Does members have therapeutic failure to a three- month trial or a contraindication to at any of the following:
Please check all that apply
- i. Psoralens with UVA light (PUVA) or UVB light Yes No
- ii. Systemic treatments including ONE of the following: Yes No
1. Immunomodulators (i.e. Methotrexate, Cyclosporine)
2. Retinoids (i.e. Soriatane)

CURRENT or PREVIOUS THERAPY			
Medication Name	Strength/ Frequency	Dates of Therapy	Status (Discontinued & Why/Current)

REAUTHORIZATION

- Which of the following diagnoses will the medication be used for:
Please check the one that applies
 - Rheumatoid Arthritis Yes No
 - Polyarticular Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis Yes No
 - Psoriatic Arthritis Yes No
 - Ankylosing Spondylitis Yes No
 - Plaque Psoriasis Yes No
 - Other Diagnosis: _____

- For the diagnoses of Rheumatoid Arthritis, Polyarticular Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis, Psoriatic Arthritis, or Ankylosing Spondylitis, does the member have documented, significant improvement with prior courses of treatment?
 - Please Describe:

- For the diagnosis of Plaque Psoriasis, is there clinical documentation that support a decrease in percent of body surface area involvement when compared to baseline? Clinical documentation must be submitted.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION or CLINICAL RATIONALE

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Prescribing Provider Signature	Date