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#### Prior Authorization Criteria

##### **Chantix (varenicline)**

All requests for Chantix (varenicline) require a prior authorization and will be screened for medical necessity and appropriateness using the criteria listed below.

Coverage may be provided with a diagnosis of the need for smoking cessation treatment and the following criteria is met:

- Member is 18 years of age or older
- The requested dose and frequency is in accordance with FDA-approved labeling, nationally recognized compendia, and/or evidence-based practice guidelines
- Member has tried and failed or had an intolerance to a combination of 2 Nicotine Replacement Therapies (NRTs). Dosage forms covered include an oral inhalation, intranasal inhalation, transdermal patch, oral gum, and oral lozenge
- Member has tried and failed or had an intolerance or contraindication to bupropion
- **Initial Duration of Approval:** 6 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.

**CHANTIX (VARENICLINE)  
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:**  Smoking Cessation  Other: \_\_\_\_\_ ICD-10 Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Has the member tried and failed or had an intolerance to a combination of 2 nicotine replacement therapies?  Yes  No **If yes,** please provide information in previous therapy section below.

Has the member tried and failed bupropion?  Yes  No **If yes,** please provide information in previous therapy section below.

**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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