April 2022

Read up on essential news

We want to keep you informed. Here are a few important news items and reminders for you this month.

A reminder regarding vaccination coverage

We consider vaccinations medically necessary according to the recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP). You can read more about vaccination coverage by consulting our coverage policy bulletins. Use the search term “vaccination.”

This change will apply to our commercial and Medicare members.

Changes to our National Precertification List (NPL)

The following new-to-market drugs require precertification:*  
- Fyarro™ (nab-sirolimus) — precertification is required effective March 15, 2022.
- Vyvgart™ (Efgartigimod Alfa-fcab) — precertification is required effective March 15, 2022. This drug is part of the immunologic drug category.
- Leqvio® (inclisiran) — precertification is required effective March 23, 2022. This drug is part of the cardiovascular inhibitors drug category.
- Tezspire™ (tezepelumab-ekko) — precertification is required for the drug and site of care effective March 23, 2022. This drug is part of the respiratory injectables drug category.
• Kimmtrak® (tebentafusp-tebn) — precertification is required effective April 15, 2022.

Beginning on May 1, 2022, you may notice a change to our precertification lists. Some new features we have added include coding, tabs to make it easier to navigate the document, and a new layout that is easier to read.

**Submitting precertification requests**

Be sure to submit precertification requests at least two weeks in advance. To save time, request precertification online. Doing so is fast, secure and simple.

You can submit most requests online through our Availity provider portal. Or you can use your practice’s Electronic Medical Record (EMR) system if it’s set up for electronic precertification requests. Use our “Search by CPT code” search function on our precertification lists page to find out if the code requires precertification.

Learn more about precertification.

Are you asking for precertification on a specialty drug for a commercial or Medicare member? Then submit your request through Novologix®, also available on Availity.**

Not registered for Availity®? Go to Availity to register and learn more.

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