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Questions, please call: 1-866-316-6049

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Important Information About Prescription Drug Coverage

To: _____ From: _____

Fax: _____ Pages: _____

Re: Neupogen® (filgrastim) & Neulasta® (pegfilgrastim): Prior Authorization Request Form: Please respond.

- Please complete the attached Neupogen® (filgrastim) & Neulasta® (pegfilgrastim) Prior Authorization Request Form
- To expedite the review process please complete all requested fields.
- Completed forms should be faxed to: 1-866-868-0858. It is not necessary to fax this cover page.

Please note: By signing the attached form you are certifying that the treatment requested is medically necessary. No contraindications are present and precautions have been considered. You will be supervising the patient's treatment. Supporting documentation is available in the patient's record. Signature on this form attests to the fact that the corresponding ICD-9 code has been documented in the patients chart and submitted on a CMS- 1500 form.

Information about this drug

Neupogen® (filgrastim) & Neulasta® (pegfilgrastim)

Neulasta should not be given in the period between 14 days before and 24 hours after administration of chemotherapy. Neulasta is only FDA approved for prevention of febrile neutropenia in patients with non-myeloid malignancies.

You can make an expedited request by indicating this at the top of the attached form. If you request an expedited review, and sign the attached form, you certify that applying the 72 hour standard review time frame may seriously jeopardize the life or health of the member or the member's ability to regain maximum function.

Information on the attached form is protected health information and subject to all privacy and security regulations under HIPAA.

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Prior Authorization Request Form

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Patient Information

Name _____
Member ID _____
Medicare ID _____
Date of birth _____ Sex: M / F
Address _____
City _____
State _____ ZIP _____
Phone _____
Nursing home resident? YES / NO
Home care patient? YES / NO

Prescriber and Pharmacy Information

Name _____
Specialty _____
DEA _____
NPI _____
Address _____
City _____
State _____ ZIP _____
Phone _____ Fax _____
Pharmacy name _____
NCPDP _____
NPI _____
Phone _____ Fax _____

All items below this line are for Physician Use Only

Information for Requested Drug

Strength: _____ Dosage form: _____ Qty per 30 days: _____ Drug is (circle one): Newly prescribed/Refill
Directions: _____ Diagnosis: _____ ICD-9 Code: _____

Standard Reviews will be completed in under 72 hours. An expedited review is available if you certify that a standard review timeframe will seriously jeopardize the health of your patient. To request an expedited review, simply indicate this at the top of this page.

Neupogen® (filgrastim) & Neulasta® (pegfilgrastim) Criteria

- Please select agent requested:
 Neupogen® Neulasta®
- Please indicate Neupogen® or Neulasta®'s dispensing location:
 the pharmacy
 the physician's supply incident to a physician's visit
 other: _____
- Please indicate the patient's diagnosis. Select or specify the correct ICD-9 code. This question must be completed.
 Prophylaxis of febrile neutropenia, in non-myeloid malignancies following myelosuppressive chemotherapy (ICD-9: 288.00)
 Prophylaxis of febrile neutropenia, in non-myeloid malignancies following progenitor-cell transplantation (ICD-9: 288.00)
 Prophylaxis of febrile neutropenia, in patients with acute myeloid leukemia receiving chemotherapy (ICD-9: 288.00)
 Harvesting of peripheral blood stem cells (ICD-9: 382.05, 382.06)
 Symptomatic neutropenic disorder, chronic (severe) (ICD-9: 288)
 Other (diagnosis and ICD-9): _____
- Does the patient have any of the following contraindications to Neupogen® or Neulasta® therapy?
 Yes No
• Hypersensitivity to E coli-derived proteins, filgrastim, or pegfilgrastim.
- Is the prescribing physician a hematologist/oncologist, infectious disease specialist, or has one been consulted?
 Yes No
- If Neulasta® is requested, has the patient failed to receive a clinically appropriate therapeutic response OR demonstrated intolerance (e.g. allergy, hypersensitivity, adverse effect(s), development of a contraindication) from Neupogen® (filgrastim) or Leukine® (sargramostim) (over a period of 30 or more days)?
 Yes No

Medical justification: (Attach additional page if necessary): _____

Prescriber's signature: _____ Date: _____