

**REQUEST FOR MEDICARE PRESCRIPTION DRUG COVERAGE DETERMINATION**

This form may be sent to us by mail or fax:

Address:  
Blue Cross Medicare Advantage (HMO)<sup>SM</sup>  
Attn: Medicare D Clinical Review  
2900 Ames Crossing Road  
Eagan, MN 55121

Fax Number:  
1-800-693-6703

You may also ask us for a coverage determination by phone at 1-877-774-8592, TTY: 711, or through our website at [www.getbluetx.com/mapd](http://www.getbluetx.com/mapd). We are open 8:00 a.m.- 8:00 p.m., local time, 7 days a week. If you are calling from April 1 through September 30, alternate technologies (for example, voicemail) will be used on weekends and holidays.

**Who May Make a Request:** Your prescriber may ask us for a coverage determination on your behalf. If you want another individual (such as a family member or friend) to make a request for you, that individual must be your representative. Contact us to learn how to name a representative.

**Enrollee's Information**

Enrollee's Name		Date of Birth
Enrollee's Address		
City	State	Zip Code
Phone	Enrollee's Member ID #	

**Complete the following section ONLY if the person making this request is not the enrollee or prescriber:**

Requestor's Name		
Requestor's Relationship to Enrollee		
Address		
City	State	Zip Code
Phone		

**Representation documentation for requests made by someone other than enrollee or the enrollee's prescriber:**

**Attach documentation showing the authority to represent the enrollee (a completed Authorization of Representation Form CMS-1696 or a written equivalent). For more information on appointing a representative, contact your plan or 1-800-Medicare (24 hours a day/7 days a week).**

**Name of prescription drug you are requesting** (if known, include strength and quantity requested per month):

### Type of Coverage Determination Request

- I need a drug that is not on the plan's list of covered drugs (formulary exception).\*
- I have been using a drug that was previously included on the plan's list of covered drugs, but is being removed or was removed from this list during the plan year (formulary exception).\*
- I request prior authorization for the drug my prescriber has prescribed.\*
- I request an exception to the requirement that I try another drug before I get the drug my prescriber prescribed (formulary exception).\*
- I request an exception to the plan's limit on the number of pills (quantity limit) I can receive so that I can get the number of pills my prescriber prescribed (formulary exception).\*
- My drug plan charges a higher copayment for the drug my prescriber prescribed than it charges for another drug that treats my condition, and I want to pay the lower copayment (tiering exception).\*
- I have been using a drug that was previously included on a lower copayment tier, but is being moved to or was moved to a higher copayment tier (tiering exception).\*
- My drug plan charged me a higher copayment for a drug than it should have.
- I want to be reimbursed for a covered prescription drug that I paid for out of pocket.

**\*NOTE: If you are asking for a formulary or tiering exception, your prescriber MUST provide a statement supporting your request. Requests that are subject to prior authorization (or any other utilization management requirement), may require supporting information. Your prescriber may use the attached "Supporting Information for an Exception Request or Prior Authorization" to support your request.**

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Additional information we should consider (*attach any supporting documents*):

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### Important Note: Expedited Decisions

If you or your prescriber believe that waiting 72 hours for a standard decision could seriously harm your life, health, or ability to regain maximum function, you can ask for an expedited (fast) decision. If your prescriber indicates that waiting 72 hours could seriously harm your health, we will automatically give you a decision within 24 hours. If you do not obtain your prescriber's support for an expedited request, we will

decide if your case requires a fast decision. You cannot request an expedited coverage determination if you are asking us to pay you back for a drug you already received.

**CHECK THIS BOX IF YOU BELIEVE YOU NEED A DECISION WITHIN 24 HOURS (if you have a supporting statement from your prescriber, attach it to this request).**

<b>Signature:</b>	<b>Date:</b>
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**Supporting Information for an Exception Request or Prior Authorization**

FORMULARY and TIERING EXCEPTION requests cannot be processed without a prescriber’s supporting statement. PRIOR AUTHORIZATION requests may require supporting information.

**REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED REVIEW: By checking this box and signing below, I certify that applying the 72 hour standard review timeframe may seriously jeopardize the life or health of the enrollee or the enrollee’s ability to regain maximum function.**

<b>Prescriber’s Information</b>			
Name			
Address			
City	State	Zip Code	
Office Phone		Fax	
Prescriber’s Signature			Date

<b>Diagnosis and Medical Information</b>		
Medication:	Strength and Route of Administration:	Frequency:
Date Started: <input type="checkbox"/> <b>NEW START</b>	Expected Length of Therapy:	Quantity per 30 days
Height/Weight:	Drug Allergies:	
<b>DIAGNOSIS – Please list all diagnoses being treated with the requested drug and corresponding ICD-10 codes.</b> (If the condition being treated with the requested drug is a symptom e.g. anorexia, weight loss, shortness of breath, chest pain, nausea, etc., provide the diagnosis causing the symptom(s) if known)		ICD-10 Code(s)
<b>Other RELEVANT DIAGNOSES:</b>		ICD-10 Code(s)

**DRUG HISTORY: (for treatment of the condition(s) requiring the requested drug)**

<b>DRUGS TRIED</b> (if quantity limit is an issue, list unit dose/total daily dose tried)	<b>DATES of Drug Trials</b>	<b>RESULTS of previous drug trials FAILURE vs INTOLERANCE (explain)</b>

What is the enrollee's current drug regimen for the condition(s) requiring the requested drug?

**DRUG SAFETY**

Any **FDA NOTED CONTRAINDICATIONS** to the requested drug?  **YES**  **NO**

Any concern for a **DRUG INTERACTION** with the addition of the requested drug to the enrollee's current drug regimen?  **YES**  **NO**

If the answer to either of the questions noted above is yes, please 1) explain issue, 2) discuss the benefits vs potential risks despite the noted concern, and 3) monitoring plan to ensure safety

**HIGH RISK MANAGEMENT OF DRUGS IN THE ELDERLY**

If the enrollee is over the age of 65, do you feel that the benefits of treatment with the requested drug outweigh the potential risks in this elderly patient?  **YES**  **NO**

**OPIOIDS – (please complete the following questions if the requested drug is an opioid)**

What is the daily cumulative Morphine Equivalent Dose (**MED**)? **mg/day**

Are you aware of other opioid prescribers for this enrollee?  **YES**  **NO**  
If so, please explain.

Is the stated daily MED dose noted medically necessary?  **YES**  **NO**

Would a lower total daily MED dose be insufficient to control the enrollee's pain?  **YES**  **NO**

**RATIONALE FOR REQUEST**

**Alternate drug(s) contraindicated or previously tried, but with adverse outcome, e.g. toxicity, allergy, or therapeutic failure** [Specify below if not already noted in the DRUG HISTORY section earlier on the form: (1) Drug(s) tried and results of drug trial(s) (2) if adverse outcome, list drug(s) and adverse outcome for each, (3) if therapeutic failure, list maximum dose and length of therapy for drug(s) trialed, (4) if contraindication(s), please list specific reason why preferred drug(s)/other formulary drug(s) are contraindicated]

**Patient is stable on current drug(s); high risk of significant adverse clinical outcome with medication change** A specific explanation of any anticipated significant adverse clinical outcome and why a significant adverse outcome would be expected is required – e.g. the condition has been difficult to control (many drugs tried, multiple drugs required to control condition), the patient had a significant adverse outcome when the condition was not controlled previously (e.g. hospitalization or frequent acute medical visits, heart attack, stroke, falls, significant limitation of functional status, undue pain and suffering),etc.

**Medical need for different dosage form and/or higher dosage** [Specify below: (1) Dosage form(s) and/or dosage(s) tried and outcome of drug trial(s); (2) explain medical reason (3) include why less frequent dosing with a higher strength is not an option – if a higher strength exists]

**Request for formulary tier exception** Specify below if not noted in the DRUG HISTORY section earlier on the form: (1) formulary or preferred drug(s) tried and results of drug trial(s) (2) if adverse outcome, list drug(s) and adverse outcome for each, (3) if therapeutic failure/not as effective as requested drug, list maximum dose and length of therapy for drug(s) trialed, (4) if contraindication(s), please list specific reason why preferred drug(s)/other formulary drug(s) are contraindicated]

**Other** (explain below)

**Required Explanation** \_\_\_\_\_  
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HMO plan in New Mexico, HMO and HMO-POS plans in Illinois, and PPO plans in Illinois, Montana, and New Mexico are provided by Health Care Service Corporation, a Mutual Legal Reserve Company (HCSC). HMO plan in Illinois provided by Illinois Blue Cross Blue Shield Insurance Company (ILBCBSIC). HMO Special Needs Plan in New Mexico provided by HCSC. HMO, PPO, and Dual Care HMO Special Needs plans in Texas provided by HCSC Insurance Services Company (HISC). HMO plans in Texas provided by GHS Insurance Company (GHSIC). All HMO and PPO employer/union group plans provided by HCSC. Oklahoma PPO plans for employer and union groups only. HMO plan in Oklahoma provided by GHS Health Maintenance Organization, Inc. d/b/a BlueLincs HMO (BlueLincs). HCSC, ILBCBSIC, HISC, GHSIC, and BlueLincs are Independent Licensees of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association. ILBCBSIC, GHSIC and BlueLincs are Medicare Advantage organizations with a Medicare contract. HCSC is a Medicare Advantage organization with a Medicare contract and a contract with the New Mexico Medicaid program. HISC is a Medicare Advantage organization with a Medicare contract and a contract with the Texas Medicaid program. Enrollment in these plans depends on contract renewal.

**ATTENTION:** If you speak English, language assistance services, free of charge, are available to you. Call 1-877-774-8592 (TTY: 711) We are open between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m., local time, 7 days a week. If you

are calling from April 1 through September 30, alternate technologies (for example, voicemail) will be used on the weekends and holidays.

**ATENCIÓN:** si habla español, tiene a su disposición servicios gratuitos de asistencia lingüística. Llame al 1-877-774-8592 (TTY: 711). Nuestro horario es de 8:00 a.m. a 8:00 p.m., hora local, los 7 días de la semana. Si usted llama del 1 de abril al 30 de septiembre, durante los fines de semana y feriados, se usarán tecnologías alternas (por ejemplo, correo de voz).



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  - Written information in other formats (large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, other formats)
- Provides free language services to people whose primary language is not English, such as:
  - Qualified interpreters
  - Information written in other languages

If you need these services, contact Civil Rights Coordinator

If you believe that Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, you can file a grievance with: Civil Rights Coordinator, Office of Civil Rights Coordinator, 300 E. Randolph St., 35th floor, Chicago, Illinois 60601, 1-855-664-7270, TTY/TDD: 1-855-661-6965, Fax: 1-855-661-6960, [Civilrightscoordinator@hcsc.net](mailto:Civilrightscoordinator@hcsc.net). You can file a grievance in person or by mail, fax, or email. If you need help filing a grievance, Civil Rights Coordinator is available to help you.

You can also file a civil rights complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights, electronically through the Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal, available at <https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf>, or by mail or phone at:

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services  
200 Independence Avenue, SW  
Room 509F, HHH Building  
Washington, D.C. 20201

1-800-368-1019, 800-537-7697 (TDD)

Complaint forms are available at <http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html>.

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CHÚ Ý: Nếu bạn nói Tiếng Việt, có các dịch vụ hỗ trợ ngôn ngữ miễn phí dành cho bạn. Gọi số 1-877-774-8592 (TTY: 711).

注意：如果您使用繁體中文，您可以免費獲得語言援助服務。請致電 1-877-774-8592 (TTY : 711)。

주의: 한국어를 사용하시는 경우, 언어 지원 서비스를 무료로 이용하실 수 있습니다. 1-877-774-8592 (TTY: 711) 번으로 전화해 주십시오.

ملحوظ: إذا كنت تتحدث اللغة العربية، فإن خدمات المساعدة اللغوية تتوافر لك بالمجان. اتصل رقم 1-877-774-8592 (رقم هاتف الصم والبكم: 711).

خبردار: اگر آپ اردو بولتے ہیں، تو آپ کو زبان کی مدد کی خدمات مفت میں دستیاب ہیں۔ کال کریں 1-877-774-8592 (TTY: 711)۔

PAUNAWA: Kung nagsasalita ka ng Tagalog, maaari kang gumamit ng mga serbisyo ng tulong sa wika nang walang bayad. Tumawag sa 1-877-774-8592 (TTY: 711).

ATTENTION Si vous parlez français des services d'aide linguistique vous sont proposés gratuitement. Appelez le 1-877-774-8592 (ATS: 711).

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توجه: اگر بہ زبان فارسی گفتگو می کنید، تسهیلات زبانی بہ صورت رایگان برای شما فراہم می باشد. با 1-877-774-8592 (TTY : 711) تماس بگیرید.

ACHTUNG: Wenn Sie Deutsch sprechen, stehen Ihnen kostenlos sprachliche Hilfsdienstleistungen zur Verfügung. Rufnummer : 1-877-774-8592 (TTY: 711).

सुचना: જો તમે ગુજરાતી બોલતા હો, તો નિ:શુલ્ક ભાષા સહાય સેવાઓ તમારા માટે ઉપલબ્ધ છે. ફોન કરો 1-877-774-8592 (TTY: 711).

ВНИМАНИЕ: Если вы говорите на русском языке, то вам доступны бесплатные услуги перевода. Звоните 1-877-774-8592 (телетайп: 711).

注意事項：日本語を話される場合、無料の言語支援をご利用いただけます。 1-877-774-8592 (TTY: 711) まで、お電話にてご連絡ください。

ໂປດຊາບ: ຖ້າທ່ານເວົ້າພາສາລາວ, ການໃບການຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອດ້ານພາສາ, ໂດຍທໍ່ສູ້ຄ່າ, ຈຳນວນໃຫ້. ໂທສ 1-877-774-8592 (TTY: 711).