



Commonwealth of Massachusetts
MassHealth Drug Utilization Review Program
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Neuromuscular Agents Prior Authorization Request

MassHealth reviews requests for prior authorization (PA) on the basis of medical necessity only. If MassHealth approves the request, payment is still subject to all general conditions of MassHealth, including current member eligibility, other insurance, and program restrictions. MassHealth will notify the requesting provider and member of its decision. Keep a copy of this form for your records. If faxing this form, please use black ink.

Additional information about these agents, including PA requirements and preferred products, can be found within the MassHealth Drug List at www.mass.gov/druglist.

Member information

Last name _____ First name _____ MI _____
 MassHealth member ID # _____ Date of birth _____
 Gender (Check one.) F M Member's place of residence home nursing facility

Medication information

Medication requested

Exondys 51 (eteplirsen) Spinraza (nusinersen)

Dose, frequency, and duration of medication requested _____

Indication (Check all that apply.)

Duchenne muscular dystrophy (DMD) Spinal muscular atrophy (SMA)
 Other _____ Type _____

Please indicate billing preference. Pharmacy Prescriber in-office Hospital outpatient
 For hospital outpatient billing, provide department-specific facility NPI. _____

Drug NDC (if known) or service code _____

Is the member stabilized on the requested medication? Yes. Please provide start date. _____ No

Section I. Please complete for Exondys 51 requests.

For initial requests, please complete questions 1 through 7. For recertification requests, please complete questions 1, 6, 8 and 9.

1. Member's current weight _____ Date _____
2. Please attach laboratory testing results of a confirmed out-of-frame deletion in the DMD gene that is amenable to exon 51 skipping.
3. Is the prescriber a neuromuscular neurologist? Yes No. If no, please attach consultation notes from a neuromuscular neurologist addressing the use of the requested agent.
4. Is the member ambulatory as defined by a current six-minute walk test (6MWT-distance walked in six minutes in meters) of ≥ 200 meters?
 Please note, the test must have been observed or completed by the treating provider, or ordered by the treating provider and completed by a qualified medical practitioner.
 Yes. Distance _____ meters No
 Date of performance _____ Treatment at the time of test _____

5. Has the member received a corticosteroid for at least six months prior to use with the requested agent?

Yes. Please list the drug name, dose and frequency, and dates of use below.

Drug name _____ Dose and frequency _____ Dates of use _____

No. Please explain. _____

6. Will the member be taking the requested agent concurrently with a corticosteroid?

Yes. Please document drug name with dose and frequency below.

Drug name _____ Dose and frequency _____

No. Please explain. _____

7. Please provide dates and measurements and attach medical records of baseline measurements for each of the following five timed function tests: timed 10-meter walk/run, timed floor (supine) to stand, timed four-step descend, timed four-step climb, timed sit to stand. Medical records must include the times in seconds, dates of performances, and treatment at the time of tests. Please note, the test must have been observed or completed by the treating provider, or ordered by the treating provider and completed by a qualified medical practitioner.

Timed 10-meter walk/run (time in seconds) _____

Date of performance _____ Treatment at the time of test _____

Timed floor (supine) to stand (time in seconds) _____

Date of performance _____ Treatment at the time of test _____

Timed four-step descend (time in seconds) _____

Date of performance _____ Treatment at the time of test _____

Timed four-step climb (time in seconds) _____

Date of performance _____ Treatment at the time of test _____

Timed sit to stand (time in seconds) _____

Date of performance _____ Treatment at the time of test _____

8. Please provide dates and measurements and attach medical records of all previous and current six-minute walk tests (6MWTs). Please note, the current test must have been observed or completed by the treating provider, or ordered by the treating provider and completed by a qualified medical practitioner.

Baseline 6MWT

Distance _____ meters

Date of performance _____ Treatment at the time of test _____

Current 6MWT

Distance _____ meters

Date of performance _____ Treatment at the time of test _____

Additional 6MWT(s)

Date(s) of performance _____

9. Please provide dates and measurements and attach medical records of current measurements for each of the following five timed function tests: timed 10-meter walk/run, timed floor (supine) to stand, timed four-step descend, timed four-step climb, timed sit to stand. Medical records must include the times in seconds, dates of performances, and treatment at the time of tests. Please note, the test must have been observed or completed by the treating provider, or ordered by the treating provider and completed by a qualified medical practitioner.

Timed 10-meter walk/run (time in seconds) _____

Date of performance _____ Treatment at the time of test _____

Timed floor (supine) to stand (time in seconds) _____

Date of performance _____ Treatment at the time of test _____

Timed four-step descend (time in seconds) _____

Date of performance _____ Treatment at the time of test _____

Timed four-step climb (time in seconds) _____

Date of performance _____ Treatment at the time of test _____

Timed sit to stand (time in seconds) _____

Date of performance _____ Treatment at the time of test _____

Section II. Please complete for Spinraza requests.

1. Please attach a copy of genetic test confirming diagnosis of SMA.
2. Is the prescriber a neurologist? Yes No. If no, please attach consultation notes from a neurologist addressing the use of the requested agent.
3. Please attach documentation of baseline motor function test.
4. For recertification requests, please attach medical records documenting positive response to therapy (e.g., follow up information on motor function tests and/or member's improvement or stability of function).

Section III. Please complete for all requests for non-preferred drug products if one or more preferred drug products have been designated for this class of drugs.

If one or more preferred drug products have been designated for this class of drugs, and if you are requesting PA for a non-preferred drug product, please provide medical necessity for prescribing the non-preferred drug product rather than the preferred drug product.

Prescriber information

Last name* _____ First name* _____ MI _____
NPI* _____ Individual MH Provider ID _____
DEA No. _____ Office Contact Name _____
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
E-mail address _____
Telephone No.* _____ Fax No.* _____

* *Required*

Prescribing provider's attestation, signature, and date

I certify under the pains and penalties of perjury that I am the prescribing provider identified in the Prescriber information section of this form. Any attached statement on my letterhead has been reviewed and signed by me. I certify that the medical necessity information (per 130 CMR 450.204) on this form is true, accurate, and complete, to the best of my knowledge. I understand that I may be subject to civil penalties or criminal prosecution for any falsification, omission, or concealment of any material fact contained herein.

Prescribing provider's signature (Signature and date stamps, or the signature of anyone other than the provider, are not acceptable.)

Signature required _____

Printed name of prescribing provider _____ Date _____