

Immune Globulins (for Maryland only)
Prior Authorization Request

Send completed form to: Case Review Unit CVS Caremark Specialty Programs Fax: 1-855-330-1720

CVS Caremark administers the prescription benefit plan for the patient identified. This patient's benefit plan requires prior authorization for certain medications in order for the drug to be covered. To make an appropriate determination, providing the most accurate diagnosis for the use of the prescribed medication is necessary. **Please respond below and fax this form to CVS Caremark toll-free at 1-855-330-1720.** If you have questions regarding the prior authorization, please contact CVS Caremark at **1-866-814-5506**. For inquiries or questions related to the patient's eligibility, drug copay or medication delivery; please contact the Specialty Customer Care Team: CaremarkConnect® 1-800-237-2767.

Patient's Name: _____ **Date:** _____
Patient's ID: _____ **Patient's Date of Birth:** _____
Physician's Name: _____
Specialty: _____ **NPI#:** _____
Physician Office Telephone: _____ **Physician Office Fax:** _____

Approvals may be subject to dosing limits in accordance with FDA-approved labeling, accepted compendia, and/or evidence-based practice guidelines.

Additional Demographic Information:

Patient Weight: _____ kg
Patient Height: _____ ft _____ inches

Site of Service Questions:

- A. Indicate the site of service requested: *If using Ig subcutaneously, please skip to Criteria Questions.*
- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Outpatient hospital | <input type="checkbox"/> Physician office |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Home infusion | <input type="checkbox"/> Pharmacy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ambulatory surgical | <input type="checkbox"/> Inpatient hospital |
- B. Is the patient less than 21 years old or 65 years of age or older?
- Yes – less than 21 years old
 Yes – age 65 years or older, *skip to Criteria Questions*
 No, *Skip to Question D.*
- C. After tolerance of the medication has been established, would this patient be a candidate to receive Ig therapy in a setting other than the hospital? *Indicate and skip to Criteria Questions* Yes No
- D. Is the Ig being requested to treat an urgent medical condition?
- Yes - Myasthenic crisis with respiratory impairment, *skip to Criteria Questions*
 Yes - Acute ITP with bleeding, *skip to Criteria Questions*
 Yes - Kawasaki disease, *skip to Criteria Questions*
 Yes - Guillian-Barre syndrome, *skip to Criteria Questions*
 Yes – Other _____, *skip to Criteria Questions*
 No
- E. Is the request for a new therapy start or is this a new branded product of Ig that the patient has not received previously or is this a continuation of an existing treatment?
- This is a new therapy start, *skip to Criteria Questions*
 This is a new branded product of Ig, *skip to Criteria Questions*
 This is a continuation of existing treatment

Note: This fax may contain medical information that is privileged and confidential and is solely for the use of individuals named above. If you are not the intended recipient you hereby are advised that any dissemination, distribution, or copying of this communication is prohibited. If you have received the fax in error, please immediately notify the sender by telephone and destroy the original fax message. Immune Globulins CareFirst – 6/2017.

CVS Caremark is an independent company that provides pharmacy benefit management services to CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield and CareFirst BlueChoice, Inc. members.

CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield is the shared business name of CareFirst of Maryland, Inc. and Group Hospitalization and Medical Services, Inc. CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield and CareFirst BlueChoice, Inc. are both independent licensees of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association. The Blue Cross and Blue Shield Names and Symbols are registered trademarks of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association. ® Registered trademark of CareFirst of Maryland, Inc.

Complete the following section based on the patient's diagnosis, if applicable.

Section A: Primary Immunodeficiency

8. Is the patient currently receiving immune globulin therapy (intravenous or subcutaneous) through health insurance?
**Note: If the patient is receiving immune globulin therapy (intravenous or subcutaneous) through samples or a manufacturer's patient assistance program, please answer No.* Yes No *If No, skip to #13*
9. Has the patient experienced a reduction in the frequency of bacterial infections since starting immune globulin therapy? Yes No
10. Does the prescriber measure trough IgG levels at least once per year? Yes No
11. **ACTION REQUIRED:** Please indicate and attach a copy of the current (on-treatment) trough IgG level (if applicable).
a) Trough IgG (total) level: _____ mg/dL
b) Is the trough IgG level at or above the lower normal reference range for age? Yes No
c) Is a trough IgG level not applicable for the patient's diagnosis? Yes No
12. If applicable, will the prescriber re-evaluate the dose of immune globulin and consider a dose adjustment (when clinically appropriate)? Yes No Not applicable/not clinically appropriate
13. What is the specific immunodeficiency disorder?
 Severe combined immunodeficiency (SCID), *specify:* _____
 Congenital agammaglobulinemia (eg, X-linked or autosomal recessive agammaglobulinemia)
 Wiskott-Aldrich syndrome
 DiGeorge syndrome
 Ataxia-telangiectasia
 Other non-SCID combined immunodeficiency disorder, *specify:* _____
 Common variable immunodeficiency (CVID)
 Hypogammaglobulinemia (unspecified)
 Selective IgA deficiency
 Selective IgM deficiency
 IgG subclass deficiency
 Specific antibody deficiency
 Other predominant antibody deficiency disorder, *specify:* _____
 Other immunodeficiency disorder/none of the above, *specify:* _____
14. **ACTION REQUIRED:** Please indicate and attach a copy of the following **pre-treatment** laboratory information (where applicable):
IgG (total) level: _____ mg/dL
a) Is IgG (total) level within the normal reference range? Yes No
b) If No, is the IgG level greater than or equal to (\geq) 2 SD below the mean for age? Yes No
IgG subclass levels:
a) IgG1 _____ mg/dL
b) IgG2 _____ mg/dL
c) IgG3 _____ mg/dL
d) Other _____
e) Are the IgG subclass levels within the normal reference range? Yes No
f) If No, is the level(s) greater than or equal to (\geq) 2 SD below the mean for age? Yes No
g) Were IgG subclass levels measured on at least 2 different occasions? Yes No
IgA level: _____ mg/dL
a) Is the IgA level within the normal reference range? Yes No
IgM level: _____ mg/dL
a) Is the IgM level within the normal reference range? Yes No
15. If applicable, was the diagnosis confirmed by molecular or genetic testing? **ACTION REQUIRED: Attach laboratory report or other medical record that shows the results of molecular/genetic testing.**
 Yes No Not applicable to diagnosis
16. *If patient is at least 6 years of age*, did the patient have protective antibody levels (at least 1.3 mcg/mL) for at least 70% of serotypes in the vaccine? Yes No

17. If patient is 2 to 5 years of age, did the patient have protective antibody levels (at least 1.3 mcg/mL) for at least 50% of serotypes in the vaccine? Yes No
18. Has the patient demonstrated an impaired antibody response to vaccination with a pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccine? **ACTION REQUIRED: If yes, attach laboratory report with post-vaccination titers.**
 Yes No Not applicable
19. Have other causes of immune deficiency been excluded (eg, drugs, infectious disease, malignancy)?
 Yes No Not applicable to diagnosis
20. Does the patient have a history of recurrent bacterial infections (eg, pneumonia, otitis media, sinusitis, sepsis, gastrointestinal infections)? Yes No

Neurologic Indications

Section B: Chronic Inflammatory Demyelinating Polyneuropathy (CIDP)

21. Is the patient currently receiving IVIG treatment through health insurance? **Note: If the patient is receiving IVIG therapy through samples or a manufacturer's patient assistance program, please answer No. If Yes, skip to #27* Yes No
22. Does the patient have moderate to severe functional disability? Yes No
23. Were electrodiagnostic studies (electromyography [EMG] or nerve conduction studies [NCS]) performed to confirm the diagnosis? **ACTION REQUIRED: Attach EMG or NCS test results.** Yes No
24. Were the results consistent with multifocal demyelinating abnormalities? Yes No
25. Was evaluation of cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) performed to confirm the diagnosis?
 Yes No *If No, no further questions*
26. Did the results show elevated CSF protein? Yes No *No further questions*
27. Has the patient demonstrated significant improvement in disability and/or maintenance of improvement since starting IVIG therapy? Yes No
28. What is the duration of treatment with IVIG? _____ years / months
29. *If greater than or equal to 1 year*, if the patient is clinically stable, has the dose of IVIG been tapered and/or treatment withdrawn to determine whether continued use of IVIG is necessary?
 Yes No Not appropriate/not clinically stable
30. Is IVIG being used at the lowest effective dose and frequency? Yes No

Section C: Multifocal Motor Neuropathy (MMN)

31. Is the patient currently receiving IVIG treatment through health insurance? **Note: If the patient is receiving IVIG therapy through samples or a manufacturer's patient assistance program, please answer No. If Yes, skip to #44* Yes No
32. Does the patient have weakness without objective sensory loss in 2 or more nerves? Yes No
33. Were electrodiagnostic studies (electromyography [EMG] or nerve conduction studies [NCS]) performed to confirm the diagnosis? **ACTION REQUIRED: Attach EMG or NCS test results.** Yes No
34. Were the results consistent with motor conduction block? Yes No
35. Were the results of sensory nerve conduction studies normal? Yes No

Section D: Dermatomyositis (DM) or Polymyositis (PM)

36. Is the patient currently receiving IVIG treatment through health insurance? **Note: If the patient is receiving IVIG therapy through samples or a manufacturer's patient assistance program, please answer No. If Yes, skip to #44* Yes No
37. Was the diagnosis established by the presence of specific clinical features (eg, proximal weakness, rash) AND elevated muscle enzyme levels? Yes No
38. Were electrodiagnostic studies (electromyography [EMG] or nerve conduction studies [NCS]) performed to confirm the diagnosis? **ACTION REQUIRED: Attach EMG or NCS test results.** Yes No

39. Were the results consistent with a diagnosis of dermatomyositis or polymyositis? Yes No
40. Was muscle biopsy performed to confirm the diagnosis? Yes No *If No, skip to #42*
41. Were the results consistent with a diagnosis of dermatomyositis or polymyositis? Yes No
42. Was standard first-line treatment (corticosteroids or immunosuppressants) tried but was unsuccessful or not tolerated?
If Yes, no further questions Yes No
43. Is the patient unable to receive standard first-line therapy because of a contraindication or other clinical reason?
 Yes No

For patients with MMN, DM or PM continuing with IVIG therapy

44. Has the patient demonstrated significant improvement in disability and/or maintenance of improvement since starting IVIG therapy? Yes No *No further questions*

Section E: Guillain-Barre Syndrome

45. Is physical mobility severely affected such that the patient requires an aid to walk? Yes No
46. Will IVIG therapy be initiated within 2 weeks of symptom onset? Yes No

Section F: Myasthenia Gravis

47. Is IVIG prescribed for any of the following reasons?
 Acute exacerbation/crisis Pre-operative management (eg, prior to thymectomy)
 Worsening weakness Stable on maintenance therapy
 Other _____
48. Does the patient have severe swallowing difficulty and/or respiratory failure? Yes No
49. Does the patient have weakness with an increase in any of the following symptoms: diplopia, ptosis, blurred vision, difficulty speaking (dysarthria), difficulty swallowing (dysphagia), difficulty chewing, impaired respiratory status, fatigue, or limb weakness? Yes No

ITP and Other Hematologic Indications

Section G: Immune Thrombocytopenic Purpura (ITP)

50. Is the patient a pregnant woman? Yes No
If Yes, provide estimated date of delivery and no further questions: _____
51. Is the patient an adult with refractory ITP after splenectomy? *If Yes, skip to #54* Yes No
52. What is the classification of ITP?
 Newly-diagnosed ITP (diagnosed within the past 3 months)
 Previously untreated ITP (initial therapy)
 Chronic or persistent ITP (greater than or equal to \geq 3 months from diagnosis)
 ITP unresponsive to first-line treatment
 Other _____
53. What is the current pre-treatment platelet count? _____ /mcL ($\times 10^9/L$)
ACTION REQUIRED: Attach laboratory report with current platelet count.
54. Does the patient have significant bleeding symptoms (eg, mucosal bleeding or other moderate to severe bleeding)?
 Yes No
55. Is the patient at high risk for bleeding or does the patient require a rapid increase in platelets?
ACTION REQUIRED: If Yes, indicate the risk factors for bleeding or reason for a rapid increase in platelets.
 Undergoing a medical or dental procedure where blood loss is anticipated
 Comorbidity (eg, peptic ulcer disease or hypertension)
 Mandated anticoagulation therapy
 Profession or lifestyle predisposes the patient to trauma (eg, construction worker, fireman, professional athlete)
 Other _____
 No, not at high risk or does not require rapid increase in platelets

56. Will IVIG be used alone (monotherapy) or given in combination with corticosteroid therapy? Yes No
57. Does the patient have relapsed ITP after a previous response to IVIG therapy? Yes No
58. Does the patient have a history of inadequate response, intolerance or a contraindication to corticosteroid or anti-D therapy? Yes No

Section H: Fetal/Neonatal Alloimmune Thrombocytopenia

59. Is the patient a pregnant woman? Yes No

Indications related to CLL, HIV, or BMT/HSCT

60. Is the patient currently receiving IVIG treatment through health insurance? **Note: If the patient is receiving IVIG therapy through samples or a manufacturer's patient assistance program, please answer No. If Yes, skip to #69* Yes No
61. What is the patient's pre-treatment IgG level? _____ mg/dL ***ACTION REQUIRED: Attach laboratory report with the pre-treatment IgG level.***

Continue to additional questions below based on the patient's diagnosis.

Section I: B-Cell CLL and BMT/HSCT Transplant Recipients

62. Is IVIG prescribed for prophylaxis of bacterial infections? Yes No
63. Does the patient have a history of recurrent sinopulmonary infections requiring intravenous antibiotics or hospitalization? Yes No
64. If applicable, has the patient received a bone marrow/hematopoietic stem cell transplant within the past 100 days? Yes No

Section J: Pediatric HIV Infection

65. Is IVIG prescribed for prophylaxis of bacterial infections?
 Yes, primary prophylaxis Yes, secondary prophylaxis No, not used for prophylaxis of bacterial infections
66. Does the patient have a history of recurrent bacterial infections (greater than [$>$] 2 serious bacterial infections in a 1-year period)? Yes No
67. Is the patient unable to take combination antiretroviral therapy? Yes No
68. Was prophylaxis with antibiotics (eg, trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole) tried but was not effective? Yes No

For patients with CLL, HIV or BMT/HSCT recipients continuing with IVIG therapy

69. Has the patient experienced a reduction in the frequency of bacterial infections since starting IVIG therapy? Yes No

Section K: Stiff-person syndrome

70. Has the patient experienced an inadequate response or intolerance, or has a contraindication to first-line therapy such as a benzodiazepine (eg, diazepam) and/or baclofen? Yes No

I attest that this information is accurate and true, and that documentation supporting this information is available for review if requested by CVS Caremark or the benefit plan sponsor.

X _____
Prescriber or Authorized Signature

Date (mm/dd/yy)