

**Request for Prior Authorization
BIOLOGICALS FOR ARTHRITIS**

(PLEASE PRINT – ACCURACY IS IMPORTANT)

Psoriatic arthritis, moderate to severe; with

Documentation of a trial and inadequate response, at a maximally tolerated dose, with methotrexate (leflunomide or sulfasalazine may be used if methotrexate is contraindicated).

Drug Name & Dose: _____ Trial dates: _____

Failure reason: _____

Juvenile idiopathic arthritis with oligoarthritis; with

Documentation of a trial and inadequate response to intraarticular glucocorticoid injections and methotrexate at a maximally tolerated dose (leflunomide or sulfasalazine may be used if methotrexate is contraindicated).

Intraarticular Glucocorticoid Injections: Drug Name & Dose: _____ Trial dates: _____

Failure reason: _____

Plus methotrexate or preferred oral DMARD trial: Drug Name & Dose: _____

Trial dates: _____ Failure reason: _____

Polyarticular juvenile idiopathic arthritis (pJIA), moderate to severe; with

Documentation of a trial and inadequate response, at a maximally tolerated dose, with methotrexate (leflunomide or sulfasalazine may be used if methotrexate is contraindicated).

Drug Name & Dose: _____ Trial dates: _____

Failure reason: _____

Systemic juvenile idiopathic arthritis (sJIA)

Reason for use of Non-Preferred drug requiring prior approval: _____

Other medical conditions to consider: _____

Attach lab results and other documentation as necessary.

Prescriber signature (Must match prescriber listed above.)	Date of submission
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IMPORTANT NOTE: In evaluating requests for prior authorization the consultant will consider the treatment from the standpoint of medical necessity only. If approval of this request is granted, this does not indicate that the member continues to be eligible for Medicaid. It is the responsibility of the provider who initiates the request for prior authorization to establish by inspection of the member's Medicaid eligibility card and, if necessary by contact with the county Department of Health and Human Services, that the member continues to be eligible for Medicaid.