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Pharmacy Benefit Update – New Drug-Related Prior Authorization (PA) Criteria: Immune Globulins

Effective March 1, 2019, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota and Blue Plus (Blue Cross) will require PA for Hizentra[®], Hyqvia[™] and Cuvitru[™] for the treatment of primary immunodeficiencies.

The intent of the PA criteria for the immune globulins is to direct use to Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved label indications as well as indications supported by clinical guidelines. The PA criteria for the immune globulins will consider use of these agents for unlabeled indications if there is evidence available or submitted by the prescriber supporting its intended use.

As stewards of healthcare expenditures for our subscribers, we are charged with ensuring they receive appropriate, quality care while also maintaining overall costs. The prior authorization process ensures that the health service or drug being proposed is medically necessary, and reflective of evidence-based medicine and industry standards, prior to treatment. This process helps us manage the cost and quality of care appropriately for our members.

Program Name	Drug Name
Immune Globulins PA	Hizentra [®] Hyqvia [™] Cuvitru [™]

Products Impacted

This PA program applies to the following Minnesota Health Care Programs.

- Families and Children [*formerly known as* Prepaid Medical Assistance Program (PMAP)]
- MinnesotaCare (MNCare)
- Minnesota Senior Care Plus (MSC+)

New PA criteria will be posted by March 1, 2019 and may be accessed using the Blue Cross provider link.

- Access **providers.bluecrossmn.com**
- Under Tools and Resources, select Medical policy, then acknowledge the Acceptance statement
- Select View All Active Policies
- Select Pharmacy Utilization Management Programs

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CoverMyMeds prior authorization request service

Prescribers can submit ePA drug requests for Blue Cross subscribers who have pharmacy benefits through Blue Cross by either submitting a request through CoverMyMeds's (CMM) free web portal or by sending an electronic NCPDP file to Prime through an integrated Electronic Medical Record (EMR) system during the e-prescribing process.

- To access CMM, go to www.covermymeds.com
- The first time you use the portal to submit a PA, you will need to create a CMM account.
- For help using the CMM site select Support (top of the web page) to view FAQs, CMM physician training webinar offerings, and support options to help you get started.

Questions?

If you have questions, please contact provider services at **(651) 662-5200** or **1-800-262-0820**.