



**MEDICAID / CHIP**  
**PHARMACY PRIOR AUTHORIZATION REQUEST FORM**

**Corticotropin Injection Gel - Non-PDL**

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Fax back to: 866-240-3712

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Member Name:		Prescriber Name:	
Member ID Number:	Fax:	Phone:	
Date of Birth:	Office Contact:		
Member Phone Number:	NPI:	PA PROMISe ID:	
Address:	Address:		
City, State ZIP:	City, State ZIP:		
Line of Business: <input type="checkbox"/> Medicaid <input type="checkbox"/> CHIP	Specialty Pharmacy (if applicable):		
Drug Name:	Strength:		
Quantity:	Refills:		
Directions:			
Diagnosis Code:	Diagnosis:		
<i>Jefferson Health Plans' maximum approval time is 12 months but may be less depending on the criteria..</i>			

**Please attach any pertinent medical history including labs and information for this member that may support approval.**

***Please answer the following questions and sign.***

Q1. Does the patient have any of the following contraindications: (scleroderma, osteoporosis, systemic fungal infections, ocular herpes simplex, recent surgery, history of or the presence of a peptic ulcer, congestive heart failure, uncontrolled hypertension, primary adrenocortical insufficiency, adrenocortical hyperfunction, sensitivity to proteins of porcine origin, or administration of live or live attenuated vaccines in patients receiving immunosuppressive doses of corticotropin injection gel)?

Yes

No

Q2. For infantile spasms, does the patient have a diagnosis of infantile spasms? (Please provide clinical documentation to support this diagnosis.) If YES, go to question 3. If NO, go to question 8.

Yes

No

Q3. For infantile spasms, is the patient less than 2 years of age?

Yes

No

Q4. For infantile spasms, is the prescriber a neurologist or in consultation with a neurologist?

Yes

No



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Q5. For infantile spasms, does the patient have a suspected congenital infection?

Yes

No

Q6. For infantile spasms, is corticotropin injection gel going to be used as monotherapy?

Yes

No

Q7. For infantile spasms, is corticotropin injection gel going to be dosed in accordance with the recommended dosage regimen per the prescribing information as follows: Initial dose: 150 U/m<sup>2</sup> (divided into twice daily intramuscular injections of 75 U/m<sup>2</sup>) for 2 weeks. Dosing should then be gradually tapered over a 2-week period to avoid adrenal insufficiency. The following is one suggested tapering schedule: 30 U/m<sup>2</sup> intramuscularly in the morning for 3 days; 15 U/m<sup>2</sup> intramuscularly in the morning for 3 days; 10 U/m<sup>2</sup> intramuscularly in the morning for 3 days; and 10 U/m<sup>2</sup> every other morning for 6 days?

Yes

No

Q8. For acute exacerbation(s) of Multiple Sclerosis, does the patient demonstrate exacerbation symptoms of multiple sclerosis (including severe weakness, severe loss of vision, severe coordination problems, or severe walking impairment)? (Please provide clinical documentation to support exacerbation symptoms of multiple sclerosis.) If YES, go to question 9. If NO, go to question 15.

Yes

No

Q9. For acute exacerbation(s) of Multiple Sclerosis, is the patient 18 years or older?

Yes

No

Q10. For acute exacerbation(s) of Multiple Sclerosis, is the prescriber a neurologist or in consultation with a neurologist?

Yes

No

Q11. For acute exacerbation(s) of Multiple Sclerosis, has the patient tried and failed, or has a contraindication or intolerance to the following formulary therapeutic classes or medications?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> A) Intravenous corticosteroids (such as methylprednisolone, dexamethasone) | <input type="checkbox"/> B) Oral corticosteroids (such as prednisone, methylprednisolone, dexamethasone) |
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Q12. For acute exacerbation(s) of Multiple Sclerosis, is documentation of trial(s) with the following formulary therapeutic classes or medications, dates, and outcomes, such as medical or pharmacy records or sample logs, attached? (Please attach documentation of why these formulary alternatives cannot be used and/or documentation (including dose, dates/duration of use, and specific outcomes) showing previous use of these formulary alternatives.)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> A) Intravenous corticosteroids (such as methylprednisolone, dexamethasone) | <input type="checkbox"/> B) Oral corticosteroids (such as prednisone, methylprednisolone, dexamethasone) |
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Q13. For acute exacerbation(s) of Multiple Sclerosis, is documentation attached that the patient is currently being treated with a disease modifying drug for multiple sclerosis (such as Avonex, Betaseron, Briumvi, Dimethyl Fumarate DR, Fingolimod, Glatiramer Acetate, Glatopa, Kesimpta, Ocrevus, Rebif, Teriflunomide, Tysabri)? Please note these medications (Briumvi, Dimethyl Fumarate DR, Fingolimod, Kesimpta, Ocrevus, Teriflunomide, Tysabri) require prior authorization.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
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Q14. For acute exacerbation(s) of Multiple Sclerosis, is corticotropin injection gel being used to treat an acute exacerbation of Multiple Sclerosis and therefore is not being used as "pulse therapy" (defined as use on a once monthly or routine basis to prevent MS exacerbations)?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
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Q15. For all other FDA-approved approved indications, is documentation (such as clinical notes) attached that confirm the diagnosis?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
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Q16. For all other FDA-approved approved indications, is documentation attached that endorse an inadequate response, intolerance, or contraindication to a clinically appropriate intravenous corticosteroid AND a clinically appropriate oral corticosteroid to treat the patient's condition?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
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Q17. For all other FDA-approved indications, is documentation attached that ALL other standard therapies have been trialed to treat the patient's condition based on compendia (Micromedex, AHFS, package insert) and treated in accordance with recognized standard of care guidelines and peer-reviewed literature OR there is a documented medical reason (inadequate response, intolerance, contraindication) for why other standard therapies cannot be used to treat the patient's condition.

Yes

No

Q18. For all other all other FDA-approved indications, is the drug being prescribed by the appropriate specialist or in consult with an appropriate specialist in the condition that is being treated?

Yes

No

Q19. \*FOR RENEWALS\* Has the patient been previously approved for corticotropin injection gel?

Yes

No

Q20. Has the patient been compliant with taking corticotropin injection gel?

Yes

No

Q21. Has the patient been tolerating corticotropin injection gel without any significant side effects?

Yes

No

Q22. Has the patient experienced resolution of symptoms/clinical improvement while receiving corticotropin injection gel treatment? (Please attach supporting documentation showing the response to prior treatment.)

Yes

No

Q23. Does the patient have any of the following contraindications: (scleroderma, osteoporosis, systemic fungal infections, ocular herpes simplex, recent surgery, history of or the presence of a peptic ulcer, congestive heart failure, uncontrolled hypertension, primary adrenocortical insufficiency, adrenocortical hyperfunction, sensitivity to proteins of porcine origin, or



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administration of live or live attenuated vaccines in patients receiving immunosuppressive doses of corticotropin injection gel)? If NO, for infantile spasms go to question 24; for acute exacerbations of Multiple Sclerosis, go to question 27; for Rheumatic Disorders, go to question 11; for all other indications go to question 29.

Yes

No

Q24. For infantile spasms, is the patient less than 2 years of age?

Yes

No

Q25. For infantile spasms, does the patient have a suspected congenital infection?

Yes

No

Q26. For infantile spasms, is corticotropin injection gel going to be used as monotherapy?

Yes

No

Q27. For acute exacerbation(s) of Multiple Sclerosis, is documentation attached that the patient is currently being treated with a disease modifying drug for multiple sclerosis (such as Avonex, Betaseron, Briumvi, Dimethyl Fumarate DR, Fingolimod, Glatiramer Acetate, Glatopa, Kesimpta, Ocrevus, Rebif, Teriflunomide, Tysabri)? Please note these medications (Briumvi, Dimethyl Fumarate DR, Fingolimod, Kespimpta, Ocrevus, Teriflunomide, Tysabri) require prior authorization.

Yes

No

Q28. For acute exacerbation(s) of Multiple Sclerosis, is corticotropin injection gel being used to treat an acute exacerbation of Multiple Sclerosis and therefore is not being used as "pulse therapy" (defined as use on a once monthly or routine basis to prevent MS exacerbations)?

Yes

No

Q29. For all other FDA-approved indications, is continued treatment or retreatment with corticotrophin injection gel clinically appropriate for the condition being treated based on standard of care guidelines or peer-reviewed literature to support use. (Please attach progress note and supportive documentation along with planned taper schedule).

Yes

No



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Q30. Does the patient require treatment beyond the initial approved duration? (Please attach progress notes demonstrating the need for continued treatment along with the planned taper schedule.)

Yes

No

Q31. Additional Information:

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Prescriber Signature

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Date

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