



NC Medicaid

Pharmacy Prior Approval Request for
Lupus Medications-
SAPHNELO

Beneficiary Information

1. Beneficiary Last Name: 2. First Name:
3. Beneficiary ID #: 4. Beneficiary Date of Birth: 5. Beneficiary Gender:

Prescriber Information

6. Prescribing Provider NPI #:
7. Requester Contact Information - Name: Phone #: Ext.:

Drug Information

8. Drug Name: 9. Strength: 10. Quantity Per 30 Days:
11. Length of Therapy (in days): up to 30 Days 60 Days 90 Days 120 Days 180 Days 365 Days

Clinical Information

Initial authorization (answer questions 1-10)

- 1. Does the beneficiary have a diagnosis of systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE)?
2. Is the beneficiary auto-antibody positive?
3. Is the beneficiary 18 years old or older?
4. Does the beneficiary have severe active central nervous system lupus or severe active lupus nephritis?
5. Is Saphnelo being prescribed by or in consultation with a rheumatologist or nephrologist?
6. Does the beneficiary have moderate to severe disease?
7. Has the beneficiary failed to respond adequately to or is unable to tolerate at least one (1) standard therapy such as anti-malarials, corticosteroids, or immunosuppressives?
8. Does the beneficiary have a clinically significant active infection?
9. Is Saphnelo being used in combination with other biologic therapies?
10. Is Saphnelo being used in combination with standard therapy (e.g., anti-malarials, corticosteroids, non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, immunosuppressives) or are standard treatment regimens not tolerated or not beneficial?

For re-authorization (answer questions 1-12)

- 11. Is there documented improvement in functional impairment compared to baseline, or sustained improvement such as 1) fewer flares that required steroid treatment; 2) lower average daily oral corticosteroid dose; 3) improved daily function either as measured through a validated functional scale or through improved daily performance documented at clinic visits; 4) sustained improvement in laboratory measures of lupus activity?
12. Is the beneficiary absent of unacceptable toxicity from the drug (ex. of unacceptable toxicity include the following: serious infections, malignancy, severe hypersensitivity reactions/anaphylaxis, etc.)?

Please attach current progress notes documenting disease status and clinical response to the medicine.

Signature of Prescriber: Date:

(Prescriber Signature Mandatory)

I certify that the information provided is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge, and I understand that any falsification, omission, or concealment of material fact may subject me to civil or criminal liability.

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