



STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCES
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Office of Pharmacy Service
Prior Authorization Criteria

HUMIRA[®] (adalimumab) and ENBREL[®] (etanercept)
Effective 10/01/2016

[Prior Authorization Request Form](#)

Prior authorization requests for Humira and Enbrel may be approved for their FDA approved indications provided the following criteria are met. Diagnoses must accompany all requests.

- Patient is eighteen (18) years of age or older (see below if diagnosed with juvenile idiopathic arthritis or pediatric Crohn's Disease); **AND**
- Initial treatment plan is done in consultation with an appropriate specialist (such as a dermatologist, gastroenterologist or rheumatologist); **AND**
- Negative tuberculin skin test before initiation of therapy; **AND**

THE FOLLOWING INDICATION-SPECIFIC CRITERIA MUST ALSO BE SATISFIED:

- **Ankylosing spondylitis:** must include documentation indicating ninety (90) day treatment history with NSAIDs (unless contraindicated).
- **Psoriasis** must have:
 1. Diagnosis of moderate to severe psoriasis; **AND**
 2. Prior treatment with a potent topical corticosteroid plus calcipotriol; **AND**
 3. Prior treatment with a Vitamin D analogue; **AND**
 4. Prior treatment with phototherapy; **AND**
 5. Prior ninety (90) day treatment history with a disease-modifying agent (DMARD) such as methotrexate, cyclosporine, acitretin, etc.
- **Psoriatic arthritis:** must have a documented ninety (90) day history of NSAID therapy as well as ninety (90) day trials of at least two DMARDs.
- **Rheumatoid arthritis:** must have documented ninety (90) day trials of at least two DMARDs.
- **Juvenile idiopathic arthritis:** Prior authorization for Humira and Enbrel may be granted if the patient is two (2) years of age or older and has failed a ninety (90) day course of therapy with methotrexate.
- **Crohn's Disease:** Humira is approvable for moderate to severe Crohn's disease. *Enbrel is not indicated for treatment of Crohn's disease and will not be approved.*



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- **Pediatric Crohn's disease (moderate to severe)**: For patients 6 years of age and older, prior authorization requests for Humira are approvable with documentation of an inadequate response to a 14-day trial of corticosteroids or an immunomodulator such as azathioprine, 6-mercaptopurine, or methotrexate.
- **Ulcerative Colitis**: Humira is approvable following failure or clinically significant adverse effects to a thirty (30) day course of aminosalicylates (e.g. sulfasalazine, mesalamine) requiring treatment for two (2) or more exacerbations using corticosteroids, such as prednisone. *Enbrel is not indicated for treatment of UC and will not be approved.*
- **Hidradenitis suppurativa**: Humira may be approved in patients 18 years of age or older who satisfy the following additional criteria:
 1. Has severe disease (Hurley stage III); **OR**
 2. Has moderate disease (Hurley state II) despite treatment with an oral formulary tetracycline (i.e., doxycycline) **OR** topical clindamycin.
- **Uveitis**: Humira may be approved in patients diagnosed with non-infectious uveitis who are at least 18 years of age and who have failed to respond adequately to corticosteroid therapy, or in whom corticosteroid therapy is inappropriate.

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- 11) EDF Guideline for Hidradenitis Suppurativa / Acne Inversa (HS) - S1 Guideline – 2016-2017 (<file:///C:/Users/E033601/Downloads/Guideline-on-Hidradenitis-suppurativa-S1.pdf>)