

REQUEST FOR MEDICARE PRESCRIPTION DRUG COVERAGE DETERMINATION

This form may be sent to us by mail or fax:

Pharmacy Benefit Dimensions®Address:

Pharmacy Benefit Dimensions
Attn: Pharmacy Prior Authorization
511 Farber Lakes Drive
Buffalo, NY 14221

Fax Number:

(716) 631-9636 or 1-800-273-7397

You may also ask us for a coverage determination by phone at (716) 504-4444 or 1-800-667-5936 or, for TTY users 711, October 1 – March 31: Monday through Sunday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. ET, April 1 – September 30: Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. ET, or through our website at www.pbdrx.com/medicare.

Who May Make a Request: Your prescriber may ask us for a coverage determination on your behalf. If you want another individual (such as a family member or friend) to make a request for you, that individual must be your representative. Contact us to learn how to name a representative.

Enrollee's Information

Enrollee's Name		Date of Birth
Enrollee's Address		
City	State	Zip Code
Phone	Enrollee's Member ID #	

Complete the following section ONLY if the person making this request is not the enrollee or prescriber:

Requestor's Name		
Requestor's Relationship to Enrollee		
Address		
City	State	Zip Code
Phone		

Representation documentation for requests made by someone other than enrollee or the enrollee's prescriber:

Attach documentation showing the authority to represent the enrollee (a completed Authorization of Representation Form CMS-1696 or a written equivalent). For more information on appointing a representative, contact your plan or 1-800-Medicare.

Name of prescription drug you are requesting (if known, include strength and quantity requested permonth):

Type of Coverage Determination Request

- ☐ I need a drug that is not on the plan's list of covered drugs (formulary exception).*
- ☐ I have been using a drug that was previously included on the plan's list of covered drugs, but is being removed or was removed from this list during the plan year (formulary exception).*
- ☐ I request prior authorization for the drug my prescriber has prescribed.*
- ☐ I request an exception to the requirement that I try another drug before I get the drug my prescriber prescribed (formulary exception).*
- ☐ I request an exception to the plan's limit on the number of pills (quantity limit) I can receive so that I can get the number of pills my prescriber prescribed (formulary exception).*
- ☐ My drug plan charges a higher copayment for the drug my prescriber prescribed than it charges for another drug that treats my condition, and I want to pay the lower copayment (tiering exception).*
- ☐ I have been using a drug that was previously included on a lower copayment tier, but is being moved to or was moved to a higher copayment tier (tiering exception).*
- ☐ My drug plan charged me a higher copayment for a drug that it should have.
- ☐ I want to be reimbursed for a covered prescription drug that I paid for out of pocket.

***NOTE: If you are asking for a formulary or tiering exception, your prescriber MUST provide a statement supporting your request. Requests that are subject to prior authorization (or any other utilization management requirement), may require supporting information. Your prescriber may use the attached "Supporting Information for an Exception Request or Prior Authorization" to support your request.**

Additional information we should consider (*attach any supporting documents*):

Important Note: Expedited Decisions

If you or your prescriber believe that waiting 72 hours for a standard decision could seriously harm your life, health, or ability to regain maximum function, you can ask for an expedited (fast) decision. If your prescriber indicates that waiting 72 hours could seriously harm your health, we will automatically give you a decision within 24 hours. If you do not obtain your prescriber's support for an expedited request, we will decide if your case requires a fast decision. You cannot request an expedited coverage determination if you are asking us to pay you back for a drug you already received.

- ☐ **CHECK THIS BOX IF YOU BELIEVE YOU NEED A DECISION WITHIN 24 HOURS (if you have a supporting statement from your prescriber, attach it to this request).**

Signature of person requesting the coverage determination (the enrollee, or the enrollee's prescriber or representative):

_____ **Date:** _____

Supporting Information for an Exception Request or Prior Authorization

FORMULARY and TIERING EXCEPTION requests cannot be processed without a prescriber's supporting statement. PRIOR AUTHORIZATION requests may require supporting information.

☐ **REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED REVIEW:** By checking this box and signing below, I certify that applying the 72 hour standard review timeframe may seriously jeopardize the life or health of the enrollee or the enrollee's ability to regain maximum function.

Prescriber's Information

Name

Address

City

State

Zip Code

Office Phone

Fax

Prescriber's Signature

Date

Diagnosis and Medical Information

Medication:

Strength and Route of
Administration:

Frequency:

New Prescription OR Date
Therapy Initiated:

Expected Length of
Therapy:

Quantity:

Height/Weight:

Drug Allergies:

Diagnosis:

Rationale for Request

☐ **Alternate drug(s) contraindicated or previously tried, but with adverse outcome, e.g., toxicity, allergy, or therapeutic failure** [Specify below: (1) Drug(s) contraindicated or tried; (2) adverse outcome for each; (3) if therapeutic failure, length of therapy on each drug(s)]

☐ **Patient is stable on current drug(s); high risk of significant adverse clinical outcome with medication change** [Specify below: Anticipated significant adverse clinical outcome]

☐ **Medical need for different dosage form and/or higher dosage** [Specify below: (1) Dosage form(s) and/or dosage(s) tried; (2) explain medical reason]

☐ **Request for formulary tier exception** [Specify below: (1) Formulary or preferred drugs contraindicated or tried and failed, or tried and not as effective as requested drug; (2) if therapeutic failure, length of therapy on each drug and adverse outcome; (3) if not as effective, length of therapy on each drug and outcome]

☐ **Other** (explain below)

Required Explanation:

Language Assistance Services

English	We have free interpreter services to answer any questions you may have about our health or drug plan. To get an interpreter, just call us at 1-800-667-5936. Someone who speaks English/Language can help you. This is a free service.
Spanish	Tenemos servicios de intérprete sin costo alguno para responder cualquier pregunta que pueda tener sobre nuestro plan de salud o medicamentos. Para hablar con un intérprete, por favor llame al 1-800-667-5936. Alguien que hable español le podrá ayudar. Este es un servicio gratuito.
Chinese Mandarin	我们提供免费的翻译服务，帮助您解答关于健康或药物保险的任何疑问。如果您需要此翻译服务，请致电 1-800-667-5936。我们的中文工作人员很乐意帮助您。这是一项免费服务。
Chinese Cantonese	您對我們的健康或藥物保險可能存有疑問，為此我們提供免費的翻譯服務。如需翻譯服務，請致電 1-800-667-5936。我們講中文的人員將樂意為您提供幫助。這是一項免費服務。
Tagalog	Mayroon kaming libreng serbisyo sa pagsasaling-wika upang masagot ang anumang mga katanungan ninyo hinggil sa aming planong pangkalusugan o panggamot. Upang makakuha ng tagasaling-wika, tawagan lamang kami sa 1-800-667-5936. Maaari kayong tulungan ng isang nakakapagsalita ng Tagalog. Ito ay libreng serbisyo.
French	Nous proposons des services gratuits d'interprétation pour répondre à toutes vos questions relatives à notre régime de santé ou d'assurance-médicaments. Pour accéder au service d'interprétation, il vous suffit de nous appeler au 1-800-667-5936. Un interlocuteur parlant Français pourra vous aider. Ce service est gratuit.
Vietnamese	Chúng tôi có dịch vụ thông dịch miễn phí để trả lời các câu hỏi về chương sức khỏe và chương trình thuốc men. Nếu quý vị cần thông dịch viên xin gọi 1-800-667-5936 sẽ có nhân viên nói tiếng Việt giúp đỡ quý vị. Đây là dịch vụ miễn phí.
German	Unser kostenloser Dolmetscherservice beantwortet Ihren Fragen zu unserem Gesundheits- und Arzneimittelplan. Unsere Dolmetscher erreichen Sie unter 1-800-667-5936. Man wird Ihnen dort auf Deutsch weiterhelfen. Dieser Service ist kostenlos.
Korean	당사는 의료 보험 또는 약품 보험에 관한 질문에 답해 드리고자 무료 통역 서비스를 제공하고 있습니다. 통역 서비스를 이용하려면 전화 1-800-667-5936번으로 문의해 주십시오. 한국어를 하는 담당자가 도와 드릴 것입니다. 이 서비스는 무료로 운영됩니다.
Russian	Если у вас возникнут вопросы относительно страхового или медикаментного плана, вы можете воспользоваться нашими бесплатными услугами переводчиков. Чтобы воспользоваться услугами переводчика, позвоните нам по телефону 1-800-667-5936. Вам окажет помощь сотрудник, который говорит по-русски. Данная услуга бесплатная.
Arabic	إننا نقدم خدمات المترجم الفوري المجانية للإجابة عن أي أسئلة تتعلق بالصحة أو جدول الأدوية لدينا. للحصول على مترجم فوري، ليس عليك سوى الاتصال بنا على 1-800-667-5936. سيقوم شخص ما يتحدث العربية بمساعدتك. هذه خدمة مجانية.
Hindi	हमारे स्वास्थ्य या दवा की योजना के बारे में आपके किसी भी प्रश्न के जवाब देने के लिए हमारे पास मुफ्त दुभाषिया सेवाएँ उपलब्ध हैं। एक दुभाषिया प्राप्त करने के लिए, बस हमें 1-800-667-5936 पर फोन करें। कोई व्यक्ति जो हिन्दी बोलता है आपकी मदद कर सकता है। यह एक मुफ्त सेवा है।

Italian	È disponibile un servizio di interpretariato gratuito per rispondere a eventuali domande sul nostro piano sanitario e farmaceutico. Per un interprete, contattare il numero 1-800-667-5936. Un nostro incaricato che parla Italianovi fornirà l'assistenza necessaria. È un servizio gratuito.
Portuguese	Dispomos de serviços de interpretação gratuitos para responder a qualquer questão que tenha acerca do nosso plano de saúde ou de medicação. Para obter um intérprete, contacte-nos através do número 1-800-667-5936. Irá encontrar alguém que fale o idioma Português para o ajudar. Este serviço é gratuito.
French Creole	Nou genyen sèvis entèprèt gratis pou reponn tout kesyon ou ta genyen konsènan plan medikal oswa dwòg nou an. Pou jwenn yon entèprèt, jis rele nou nan 1-800-667-5936. Yon moun ki pale Kreyòl kapab ede w. Sa a se yon sèvis ki gratis.
Polish	Umożliwiamy bezpłatne skorzystanie z usług tłumacza ustnego, który pomoże w uzyskaniu odpowiedzi na temat planu zdrowotnego lub dawkowania leków. Aby skorzystać z pomocy tłumacza znającego język polski, należy zadzwonić pod numer 1-800-667-5936. Ta usługa jest bezpłatna.
Japanese	当社の健康 健康保険と薬品 処方薬プランに関するご質問にお答えするために、無料の通訳サービスがあります。通訳をご用命になるには、1-800-667-5936にお電話ください。日本語を話す人 者が支援いたします。これは無料のサービスです。

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Pharmacy Benefit Dimensions:

- Provides free aids and services to people with disabilities to communicate effectively with us, such as:
 - Qualified sign language interpreters
 - Written information in other formats (large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, other formats)
- Provides free language services to people whose primary language is not English, such as:
 - Qualified interpreters
 - Information written in other languages

If you need these services, contact Pharmacy Benefit Dimensions' Member Services Department.

If you believe that Pharmacy Benefit Dimensions has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, you can file a grievance with: Pharmacy Benefit Dimensions' Member Services Department, P.O. Box 1642, Buffalo, NY 14231, 1-800-667-5936, TTY users call 711, fax (716) 250-7163, PBDMedicareservicing@pbdrx.com. You can file a grievance in person or by mail, fax, or email. If you need help filing a grievance, Pharmacy Benefit Dimensions' Member Services Department is available to help you.

You can also file a civil rights complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights, electronically through the Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal, available at <https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf>, or by mail or phone at:

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
200 Independence Avenue, SW
Room 509F, HHH Building
Washington, D.C. 20201
1-800-368-1019, 800-537-7697 (TDD)

Complaint forms are available at <http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html>.