



## Benlysta

### CareFirst Prior Authorization Request

CVS Caremark administers the prescription benefit plan for the patient identified. This patient's benefit plan requires prior authorization for certain medications in order for the drug to be covered. To make an appropriate determination, providing the most accurate diagnosis for the use of the prescribed medication is necessary. **Please respond below and fax this form to CVS Caremark toll-free at 1-855-330-1720.** If you have questions regarding the prior authorization, please contact CVS Caremark at **1-888-877-0518**. For inquiries or questions related to the patient's eligibility, drug copay or medication delivery; please contact the Specialty Customer Care Team: CaremarkConnect® 1-800-237-2767.

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Patient's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Patient's ID: \_\_\_\_\_ Patient's Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
Physician's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Specialty: \_\_\_\_\_ NPI#: \_\_\_\_\_  
Physician Office Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Physician Office Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

**Referring Provider Info:** ☐ Same as Requesting Provider

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ NPI#: \_\_\_\_\_  
Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Rendering Provider Info:** ☐ Same as Referring Provider ☐ Same as Requesting Provider

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ NPI#: \_\_\_\_\_  
Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

*Approvals may be subject to dosing limits in accordance with FDA-approved labeling, accepted compendia, and/or evidence-based practice guidelines.*

**Required Demographic Information:**

Patient Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ kg

Patient Height: \_\_\_\_\_ cm

What is the ICD-10 code? \_\_\_\_\_

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**Site of Service Questions:**

- A. Where will this drug be administered?
- ☐ Ambulatory surgical, *skip to Clinical Criteria Questions*
  - ☐ Home infusion, *skip to Clinical Criteria Questions*
  - ☐ Off-campus Outpatient Hospital, *Continue to B*
  - ☐ On-campus Outpatient Hospital, *Continue to B*
  - ☐ Physician office, *skip to Clinical Criteria Questions*
  - ☐ Pharmacy, *skip to Clinical Criteria Questions*
- B. Is the patient less than 14 years of age?
- ☐ Yes, *skip to Clinical Criteria Questions*
  - ☐ No, *Continue to C*
- C. Is this request to continue previously established treatment with the requested medication? ***ACTION REQUIRED: If No, please attach supporting clinical documentation.***
- ☐ Yes - This is a continuation of an existing treatment., *Continue to D*
  - ☐ No - This is a new therapy request (patient has not received requested medication in the last 6 months), *skip to Clinical Criteria Questions*
- D. Has the patient experienced an adverse event with the requested product that has not responded to conventional interventions (eg acetaminophen, steroids, diphenhydramine, fluids, other pre-medications or slowing of the infusion rate) or a severe adverse event (anaphylaxis, anaphylactoid reactions, myocardial infarction, thromboembolism, or seizures) during or immediately after an infusion? ***ACTION REQUIRED: If Yes, please attach supporting clinical documentation.***
- ☐ Yes, *skip to Clinical Criteria Questions*
  - ☐ No, *Continue to E*
- E. Is the patient medically unstable which may include respiratory, cardiovascular, or renal conditions that may limit the member's ability to tolerate a large volume or load or predispose the member to a severe adverse event that cannot be managed in an alternate setting without appropriate medical personnel and equipment? ***ACTION REQUIRED: If Yes, please attach supporting clinical documentation.***
- ☐ Yes, *skip to Clinical Criteria Questions*
  - ☐ No, *Continue to F*
- F. Does the patient have severe venous access issues that require the use of special interventions only available in the outpatient hospital setting? ***ACTION REQUIRED: If Yes, please attach supporting clinical documentation.***
- ☐ Yes, *skip to Clinical Criteria Questions*
  - ☐ No, *Continue to G*
- G. Does the patient have significant behavioral issues and/or physical or cognitive impairment that would impact the safety of the infusion therapy AND the patient does not have access to a caregiver? ***ACTION REQUIRED: If Yes, please attach supporting clinical documentation.***
- ☐ Yes, *skip to Clinical Criteria Questions*
  - ☐ No, *Continue to H*
- H. Are ***all*** alternative infusion sites (pharmacy, physician office, ambulatory care, etc.) **greater than 30 miles** from the patient's home? ***ACTION REQUIRED: If Yes, please attach supporting documentation.***
- ☐ Yes, *Continue to Clinical Criteria Questions*
  - ☐ No, *Continue to Clinical Criteria Questions*

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**Clinical Criteria Questions:**

1. What is the patient's diagnosis?

☐ Active systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE), *Continue to 2*

☐ Active lupus nephritis, *Continue to 2*

☐ Other, please specify. \_\_\_\_\_, *Continue to 2*

2. Is the patient currently receiving treatment with the requested medication?

☐ Yes, *Continue to 3*

☐ No, *Continue to 5*

3. Has the patient achieved or maintained a positive clinical response as evidenced by low disease activity or improvement in signs and symptoms of the condition? **ACTION REQUIRED:** If Yes, attach medical records (e.g., chart notes, lab reports) documenting disease stability or improvement.

☐ Yes, *Continue to 4*

☐ No, *Continue to 4*

4. Will the patient be using the requested drug in combination with other biologics?

☐ Yes, *No Further Questions*

☐ No, *No Further Questions*

5. Does the patient have severe active central nervous system (CNS) lupus [including seizures that are attributed to CNS lupus, psychosis, organic brain syndrome, cerebritis, or CNS vasculitis requiring therapeutic intervention before initiation of the requested drug]?

☐ Yes, *Continue to 6*

☐ No, *Continue to 6*

6. Will the patient be using the requested drug in combination with other biologics?

☐ Yes, *Continue to 7*

☐ No, *Continue to 7*

7. What is the patient's diagnosis?

☐ Active systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE), *Continue to 8*

☐ Active lupus nephritis, *Continue to 10*

8. Prior to initiating therapy, is the patient positive for autoantibodies relevant to systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE) (e.g., ANA, anti-ds DNA, anti-Sm, antiphospholipid antibodies, complement proteins)? **ACTION REQUIRED:** If Yes, attach medical records (e.g., chart notes, lab reports) documenting the presence of autoantibodies relevant to SLE (e.g., ANA, anti-ds DNA, anti-Sm, antiphospholipid antibodies, complement proteins).

☐ Yes, *Continue to 9*

☐ No, *Continue to 9*

☐ Unknown, *Continue to 9*

9. Is the patient currently receiving a stable standard treatment regimen for systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE) with any of the following (alone or in combination)?

☐ Yes, glucocorticoids (e.g., prednisone, methylprednisolone, dexamethasone), *No Further Questions*

☐ Yes, antimalarials (e.g., hydroxychloroquine), *No Further Questions*

☐ Yes, immunosuppressives (e.g., azathioprine, methotrexate, mycophenolate, cyclosporine, cyclophosphamide), *No Further Questions*

☐ Yes, nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs, e.g., ibuprofen, naproxen), *No Further Questions*

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☐ No, *No Further Questions*

10. Prior to initiating therapy, is the patient positive for autoantibodies relevant to systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE) (e.g., ANA, anti-ds DNA, anti-Sm, antiphospholipid antibodies, complement proteins) or was lupus nephritis confirmed on kidney biopsy? ***ACTION REQUIRED:*** If Yes, attach medical records (e.g., chart notes, lab reports) documenting the presence of autoantibodies relevant to SLE (e.g., ANA, anti-ds DNA, anti-Sm, antiphospholipid antibodies, complement proteins) or kidney biopsy confirming diagnosis.

☐ Yes, *Continue to 11*

☐ No, *Continue to 11*

☐ Unknown, *Continue to 11*

11. Is the patient currently receiving a stable standard therapy regimen for lupus nephritis (e.g., cyclophosphamide, mycophenolate mofetil, azathioprine, glucocorticoids)?

☐ Yes, *No Further Questions*

☐ No, *No Further Questions*

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***I attest that this information is accurate and true, and that documentation supporting this information is available for review if requested by CVS Caremark or the benefit plan sponsor.***

**X**

**Prescriber or Authorized Signature**

**Date (mm/dd/yy)**

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