REQUEST FOR MEDICARE PRESCRIPTION DRUG COVERAGE DETERMINATION

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

Address:
Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island
Attn: Medicare D Clinical Review
2900 Ames Crossing Road
Eagan, MN 55121

Fax Number:
1-800-693-6703

You may also ask us for a coverage determination by phone at (401) 277-2958 or 1-800-267-0439, TTY 711, October 1 - March 31, seven days a week, 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. April 1 - September 30, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.; Saturday & Sunday, 8:00 a.m. to noon. You can use our automated answering system outside of these hours or through our website at bcbsri.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 per month):

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 than 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)*:

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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:	**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:
Date Started: ☐ **NEW START**	Expected Length of Therapy:	Quantity per 30 days
Height/Weight:	Drug Allergies:	
DIAGNOSIS – Please list all diagnoses being treated with the requested drug and corresponding ICD-10 codes. **(**If the condition being treated with the requested drug is a symptom e.g. anorexia, weight loss, shortness of breath, chest pain, nausea, etc., provide the diagnosis causing the symptom(s) if known)		**ICD-10 Code(s)**
Other RELEVANT DIAGNOSES:		**ICD-10 Code(s)**

DRUG HISTORY: (for treatment of the condition(s) requiring the requested drug)		
DRUGS TRIED (if quantity limit is an issue, list unit dose/total daily dose tried)	**DATES of Drug Trials**	**RESULTS of previous drug trials FAILURE vs INTOLERANCE (explain)**

What is the enrollee's current drug regimen for the condition(s) requiring the requested drug?

DRUG SAFETY	
Any **FDA NOTED CONTRAINDICATIONS** to the requested drug?	☐ **YES** ☐ **NO**
Any concern for a **DRUG INTERACTION** with the addition of the requested drug to the enrollee's current drug regimen?	☐ **YES** ☐ **NO**
If the answer to either of the questions noted above is yes, please 1) explain issue, 2) discuss the benefits vs potential risks despite the noted concern, and 3) monitoring plan to ensure safety	
HIGH RISK MANAGEMENT OF DRUGS IN THE ELDERLY	
If the enrollee is over the age of 65, do you feel that the benefits of treatment with the requested drug outweigh the potential risks in this elderly patient?	☐ **YES** ☐ **NO**
OPIOIDS – (please complete the following questions if the requested drug is an opioid)	
What is the daily cumulative Morphine Equivalent Dose **(MED)**?	**mg/day**
Are you aware of other opioid prescribers for this enrollee? If so, please explain.	☐ **YES** ☐ **NO**
Is the stated daily MED dose noted medically necessary?	☐ **YES** ☐ **NO**
Would a lower total daily MED dose be insufficient to control the enrollee's pain?	☐ **YES** ☐ **NO**

RATIONALE FOR REQUEST

☐ **Alternate drug(s) contraindicated or previously tried, but with adverse outcome, e.g. toxicity, allergy, or therapeutic failure** [Specify below if not already noted in the DRUG HISTORY section earlier on the form: (1) Drug(s) tried and results of drug trial(s) (2) if adverse outcome, list drug(s) and adverse outcome for each, (3) if therapeutic failure, list maximum dose and length of therapy for drug(s) trialed, (4) if contraindication(s), please list specific reason why preferred drug(s)/other formulary drug(s) are contraindicated]

☐ **Patient is stable on current drug(s); high risk of significant adverse clinical outcome with medication change** A specific explanation of any anticipated significant adverse clinical outcome and why a significant adverse outcome would be expected is required – e.g. the condition has been difficult to control (many drugs tried, multiple drugs required to control condition), the patient had a significant adverse outcome when the condition was not controlled previously (e.g. hospitalization or frequent acute medical visits, heart attack, stroke, falls, significant limitation of functional status, undue pain and suffering),etc.

☐ **Medical need for different dosage form and/or higher dosage** [Specify below: (1) Dosage form(s) and/or dosage(s) tried and outcome of drug trial(s); (2) explain medical reason (3) include why less frequent dosing with a higher strength is not an option – if a higher strength exists]

☐ **Request for formulary tier exception** Specify below if not noted in the DRUG HISTORY section earlier on the form: (1) formulary or preferred drug(s) tried and results of drug trial(s) (2) if adverse outcome, list drug(s) and adverse outcome for each, (3) if therapeutic failure/not as effective as requested drug, list maximum dose and length of therapy for drug(s) trialed, (4) if contraindication(s), please list specific reason why preferred drug(s)/other formulary drug(s) are contraindicated]

☐ **Other** (explain below)

Required Explanation _____

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Esta información está disponible gratis en otros idiomas. Es necesario que imprinir en letras grandes al inglés igual que al español. Si desea obtener información adicional, llame a Equipo de Consejería Medicare al (401) 277-2958 o 1-800-267-0439 (los usuarios de TTY deben llamar al 711), los siete días de la semana del 1 de octubre al 31 de marzo, de 8:00 a. m. a 8:00 p. m. Del 1 de abril al 30 de septiembre, puede llamar de lunes a viernes de 8:00 a. m. a 8:00 p. m., y los sábados y domingos, de 8:00 a. m. hasta el mediodía. Fuera de estos horarios, puede utilizar el sistema automatizado de respuesta, o visite bcbsri.com/Medicare. El Servicio al cliente también tiene servicios de intérprete de idi-omas gratis disponibles para las personas que no hablan inglés.

Nondiscrimination and Language Assistance

Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island (BCBSRI) complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate or treat people differently on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex.

BCBSRI provides free aids and services to people with disabilities and to people whose primary language is not English when such services are necessary to communicate effectively with us.

If you need these services, contact us at 1-800-267-0439 TTY: 711.

If you believe that BCBSRI 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: Director of Grievance and Appeals Department, Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island, 500 Exchange Street, Providence RI 02903, or by calling 1-800-267-0439 TTY: 711. You can file a grievance in person, by phone or by mail, fax at (401) 459-5668 or electronically through our member portal at bcbsri.com/Medicare.

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 800-368-1019, 800-537-7697 (TDD). Complaint forms are available at http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html.

English: If you, or someone you're helping, has questions about Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island, you have the right to get help and information in your language at no cost. To talk to an interpreter, call 1-800-267-0439.

Spanish: Si usted, o alguien a quien usted está ayudando, tiene preguntas acerca de Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island, tiene derecho a obtener ayuda e información en su idioma sin costo alguno. Para hablar con un intérprete, llame al 1-800-267-0439.

Portuguese: Se você, ou alguém a quem você está ajudando, tem perguntas sobre o Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island, você tem o direito de obter ajuda e informação em seu idioma e sem custos. Para falar com um intérprete, ligue para 1-800-267-0439.

Chinese: 如果您，或是您正在協助的對象，有關於插入項目的名稱 Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island 方面 的問題，您有權利免費以您的母語得到幫助和訊息. 洽詢一位翻譯員，請撥電話 [在此插入數字 1-800-267-0439.

French Creole: Si oumenm oswa yon moun w ap ede gen kesyon konsènan Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island, se dwa w pou resevwa asistans ak enfòmasyon nan lang ou pale a, san ou pa gen pou peye pou sa. Pou pale avèk yon entèprèt, rele nan 1-800-267-0439.

Cambodian-Mon-Khmer: ប្រសិនបើអ្នក ឬនរណាម្នាក់ដែលអ្នកកំពុងតែជួយ មានសំណួរអំពី Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island ទេ, អ្នកមានសិទ្ធិទទួលជំនួយនិងព័ត៌មាន នៅក្នុងភាសា របស់អ្នក ដោយមិនអស់ប្រាក់ ។ ដើម្បីនិយាយជាមួយអ្នកបកប្រែ សូម 1-800-267-0439.

French: Si vous, ou quelqu'un que vous êtes en train d'aider, a des questions à propos de Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island, vous avez le droit d'obtenir de l'aide et l'information dans votre langue à aucun coût. Pour parler à un interprète, appelez 1-800-267-0439.

Italian: Se tu o qualcuno che stai aiutando avete domande su Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island, hai il diritto di ottenere aiuto e informazioni nella tua lingua gratuitamente. Per parlare con un interprete, puoi chiamare 1-800-267-0439.

Laotian: ຖ້າທ່ານ, ຫຼືຄົນທີ່ທ່ານກໍາລັງຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອ, ມີຄໍາຖາມກ່ຽວກັບ Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island, ທ່ານມີສິດທີ່ຈະໄດ້ຮັບການຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອແລະຂໍ້ມູນຂ່າວສານທີ່ເປັນພາສາຂອງທ່ານບໍ່ມີຄ່າໃຊ້ຈ່າຍ. ການໂອ້ລົມກັບນາຍພາສາ, ໃຫ້ໂທຫາ 1-800-267-0439.

Arabic: إن كان لديك أو لدى شخص تساعده أسئلة بخصوص Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island، فلديك الحق في الحصول على المساعدة والمعلومات الضرورية بلغتك من دون اية تكلفة.
للتحدث مع مترجم اتصل بـ 1-800-267-0439.

Russian: Если у вас или лица, которому вы помогаете, имеются вопросы по поводу Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island, то вы имеете право на бесплатное получение помощи и информации на вашем языке. Для разговора с переводчиком позвоните по телефону 1-800-267-0439.

Vietnamese: Nếu quý vị, hay người mà quý vị đang giúp đỡ, có câu hỏi về Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island, quý vị sẽ có quyền được giúp và có thêm thông tin bằng ngôn ngữ của mình miễn phí. Để nói chuyện với một thông dịch viên, xin gọi 1-800-267-0439.

Kru: I bale we, tole mut u ye hola, a gwee mbarga inyu Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island, U gwee Kunde I kosna mahola ni biniiguene I hop wong nni nsaa wogui wo. I Nyu ipot ni mut a nla koblene we hop, sebel 1-800-267-0439.

Ibo: Ọ bụrụ gị, ma o bụ onye I na eyere-aka, nwere ajụjụ gbasara Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island, I nwere ohere iwenta nye maka na ọmụma na asụsụ gị na akwu gị ụgwọ. I chọrọ I kwụrụ onye-ntapịa okwu, kpọ 1-800-267-0439.

Yoruba: Bí ìwọ, tàbí ẹnikẹni tí o n ranlọwọ, bá ní ibeere nípa Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island, o ní ẹtọ lati rí iranwọ àti ìfitónilétí gbà ní èdè rẹ láìsanwó. Láti bá ongbufọ kan sọrọ, pè sórí 1-800-267-0439.

Polish: Jeśli Ty lub osoba, której pomagasz ,macie pytania odnośnie Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island, masz prawo do uzyskania bezpłatnej informacji i pomocy we własnym języku. Aby porozmawiać z tłumaczem, zadzwoń pod numer 1-800-267-0439.

Korean: 만약 귀하 또는 귀하가 돕고 있는 어떤 사람이Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island 에 관해서 질문이 있다면 귀하는 그러한 도움과 정보를 귀하의 언어로 비용 부담없이 얻을 수 있는 권리가 있습니다. 그렇게 통역사와 얘기하기 위해서는 1-800-267-0439 로 전화하십시오.

Tagalog: Kung ikaw, o ang iyong tinutulangan, ay may mga katanungan tungkol sa Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island, may karapatan ka na makakuha ng tulong at impormasyon sa iyong wika ng walang gastos. Upang makausap ang isang tagasalin, tumawag sa 1-800-267-0439.

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