

Prior Authorization
JOHNS HOPKINS HEALTH PLANS Actemra - Priority Partners MCO
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When conditions are met, we will authorize the coverage of Actemra - Priority Partners MCO.

Drug Name (select from list of drugs shown) Actemra (tocilizumab)
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Quantity	Frequency	Strength
Route of Administration	Expected Length of Therapy	

Patient Information	
Patient Name:	_____
Patient ID:	_____
Patient Group No.:	_____
Patient DOB:	_____
Patient Phone:	_____

Prescribing Physician	
Physician Name:	_____
Physician Phone:	_____
Physician Fax:	_____
Physician Address:	_____
City, State, Zip:	_____

Diagnosis: _____	ICD Code: _____
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Comments: _____

Please circle the appropriate answer for each question.	
1. Has the plan authorized this medication in the past for this patient (i.e., previous authorization is on file under this plan)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N
NOTE: The use of physician samples, or manufacturer product discounts, does not guarantee coverage under the provisions of the medical and/or pharmacy benefit. All pertinent criteria must be met in order to be eligible for benefit coverage.	
[If yes, skip to question 25.]	

2. Does the patient have any of the following diagnoses: A) uveitis, B) sarcoidosis, C) graft-versus-host disease, D) interleukin-2 toxicity, E) Langerhans cell histiocytosis, F) myositis, G) nephrotic syndrome, H) amyloidosis, I) periodic fever syndrome, J) renal transplant syndrome, K) moderate to severe Crohn's disease in pediatric patients as first line therapy or L) definitive radiographic axial spondyloarthritis with evidence of structural damage on sacroiliac joints?	Y N
[If yes, no further questions.]	
3. Has the patient previously received biologic therapy?	Y N
[If yes, skip to question 6.]	
4. Has the patient undergone tuberculosis screening within the past year?	Y N
NOTE: Submission of medical records is required.	
[If no, no further questions.]	
5. Does the patient have an active tuberculosis infection prior to starting the requested biologic therapy?	Y N
NOTE: Submission of medical records is required.	
[If yes, no further questions.]	
6. Does the patient have a diagnosis of moderately to severely active rheumatoid arthritis?	Y N
NOTE: Submission of medical records is required.	
[If no, skip to question 10.]	
7. Has the patient tried and had insufficient response to at least two formulary disease-modifying antirheumatic drugs (DMARDs) including methotrexate?	Y N
NOTE: Submission of medical records is required.	
[If yes, skip to question 9.]	
8. Does the patient have a contraindication to at least two formulary disease-modifying antirheumatic drugs (DMARDs) including methotrexate?	Y N
NOTE: Submission of medical records is required.	
[If no, no further questions.]	
9. Has the patient tried and had insufficient response with either etanercept, adalimumab, or sarilumab?	Y N
NOTE: Submission of medical records is required.	
[If yes, skip to question 24.]	
[If no, no further questions.]	
10. Does the patient have a diagnosis of juvenile idiopathic arthritis?	Y N
NOTE: Submission of medical records is required.	
[If no, skip to question 16.]	

11. Has the patient tried and had insufficient response to an adequate trial of full dose nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug (NSAID) therapy?	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N
NOTE: Submission of medical records is required.	
[If no, no further questions.]	
12. Has the patient tried and had insufficient response to at least two disease-modifying antirheumatic drugs (DMARDs) including methotrexate?	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N
NOTE: Submission of medical records is required.	
[If yes, skip to question 14.]	
13. Does the patient have a contraindication to at least two disease-modifying antirheumatic drugs (DMARDs) including methotrexate?	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N
NOTE: Submission of medical records is required.	
[If no, no further questions.]	
14. Has the patient tried and had insufficient response with either etanercept or adalimumab?	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N
NOTE: Submission of medical records is required.	
[If no, no further questions.]	
15. Is the patient 2 years of age or older?	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N
[If yes, skip to question 30.]	
[If no, no further questions.]	
16. Does the patient have a diagnosis of Giant Cell Arteritis?	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N
NOTE: Submission of medical records is required.	
[If no, skip to question 18.]	
17. Has the patient tried and had insufficient response to one systemic corticosteroid?	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N
NOTE: Submission of medical records is required.	
[If yes, skip to question 24.]	
[If no, no further questions.]	
18. Does the patient have a diagnosis of systemic sclerosis-associated interstitial lung disease (SSc-ILD)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N
NOTE: Submission of medical records is required.	
[If no, no further questions.]	
19. Has the diagnosis of systemic sclerosis-associated interstitial lung disease (SSc-ILD) been confirmed through a chest high-resolution computed tomography (HRCT) showing ground glass opacification or fibrosis?	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N
NOTE: Submission of medical records is required.	
[If no, no further questions.]	
20. Does the patient have elevated acute phase reactants, defined as at least ONE of the following: A) C-reactive	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N

protein (CRP) greater than or equal to 6 mg/mL, B) erythrocyte sedimentation rate (ESR) greater than or equal to 28 mm/h, OR C) platelet count greater than or equal to 330 x 10 ⁹ /L?	
NOTE: Submission of medical records is required.	
[If no, no further questions.]	
21. Does the patient have a forced vital capacity (FVC) greater than 55 percent of the predicted value?	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N
NOTE: Submission of medical records is required.	
[If no, no further questions.]	
22. Has the patient tried and had an insufficient response to mycophenolate mofetil?	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N
NOTE: Submission of medical records is required.	
[If yes, skip to question 24.]	
23. Does the patient have a contraindication to mycophenolate mofetil?	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N
NOTE: Submission of medical records is required.	
[If no, no further questions.]	
24. Is the patient 18 years of age or older?	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N
[If yes, skip to question 30.]	
[If no, no further questions.]	
25. Does the patient have any of the following diagnoses: A) uveitis, B) sarcoidosis, C) graft-versus-host disease, D) interleukin-2 toxicity, E) Langerhans cell histiocytosis, F) myositis, G) nephrotic syndrome, H) amyloidosis, I) periodic fever syndrome, J) renal transplant syndrome, K) moderate to severe Crohn's disease in pediatric patients as first line therapy or L) definitive radiographic axial spondyloarthritis with evidence of structural damage on sacroiliac joints?	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N
[If yes, no further questions.]	
26. Does the patient have a diagnosis of one of the following: A) rheumatoid arthritis, or B) juvenile idiopathic arthritis?	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N
[If no, skip to question 28.]	
27. Is the patient experiencing clinical improvement from treatment supported by one of the following outcomes: A) reduction in the signs and symptoms, B) prolonged beneficial clinical response, C) inhibition of structural damage progression, or D) improved physical functioning?	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N
NOTE: Submission of medical records is required.	
[If yes, skip to question 30.]	
[If no, no further questions.]	
28. Does the patient have a diagnosis of systemic sclerosis-associated interstitial lung disease (SSc-ILD)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N

[If no, skip to question 30.]	
29. Is there documentation showing the patient's clinical improvement from treatment as supported by less than or equal to a 10% decrease in predicted forced vital capacity?	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N
[If no, no further questions.]	
30. Is the requested drug being prescribed for FDA-approved dosages and dosing intervals?	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N
NOTE: Submission of medical records is required.	
[If no, no further questions.]	
31. Will the requested drug be used concurrently with another biologic disease-modifying anti-rheumatic drug (DMARD)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N

I attest that the medication requested is medically necessary for this patient. I further attest that the information provided is accurate and true, and that the documentation supporting this information is available for review if requested by the claims processor, the health plan sponsor, or, if applicable a state or federal regulatory agency.

Prescriber (Or Authorized) Signature and Date