BlueCross BlueShield of North Carolina

Tier Exception Request Form

To submit request electronically, please go to providerportal.surescripts.net/ProviderPortal/login **OR** covermymeds.com using Plan/PBM Name "BCBS NC"

Fax: 888-446-8535

Mail: Blue Cross NC, ATTN: Part D Coverage Determination
P.O. Box 2251, Durham, NC 27702-2251

Call: 888-298-7552 Blue Medicare Rx
888-296-9790 Blue Medicare HMO/PPO

Incomplete Form May Delay Processing

Prescriber Information		Patient Information
Physician Name:	NPI #:	Patient Name:
Office Contact Person:		Patient ID #:
Office Phone #:	Office Fax #:	Home Phone #:
Address:		Sex: ☐ Female ☐ Male
City: State: Zip:		DOB:

Diagnosis and Medication Information	
Medication Requested:	Diagnosis Code:
Strength and Route of Administration:	Dosing Schedule:
Quantity per 30 days:	

Please answer questions below

PLEASE NOTE:

- Medications on the specialty tier are not eligible for a tier exception.
- Tier exceptions for brand name medications will be approved to the lowest tier which contains brand name alternatives.
- Tier exceptions for biological products will be approved to the lowest tier which contains biological alternatives.
- Tier exceptions for generic medications will be approved to the lowest tier which contains generic alternatives.
- Tier exception requests cannot be considered for medications that do not have an alternative available on a lower tier (e.g., levothyroxine tablets).
- Tier exception requests cannot be considered for medications that have been approved as a formulary exception.
- See Evidence of Coverage (EOC) for more information.

1. Is this request for an expedited review?..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
   Check the "Yes" box to request an expedited review if the enrollee or his/her physician or other prescriber believes that waiting for a decision under the standard time frame may place the enrollee's life, health, or ability to regain maximum function in serious jeopardy. *A standard review will have a decision made within 72 hours for a coverage determination.*

2. Please indicate if the requested medication is a:
   ☐ brand-name product ☐ generic product

3. Is the patient currently taking the requested medication?..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
   A. **If YES, please answer the following:**
      i. Please provide the treatment start date of the requested medication:___/___/_____
      ii. Is the patient currently taking a *lower dose* of the requested medication (e.g., currently taking 30 mg, request is for 60 mg)?..... ☐ Yes ☐ No

4. Please list the names **and** strengths of all medications previously tried and failed (please specify if the product was brand-name, generic, or over-the-counter), or to which the patient has a documented intolerance, FDA labeled contraindication, or hypersensitivity to related to this diagnosis. (Please include any additional clinical rationale for requesting this exception). _____
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5. Is the requested medication a **high-risk medication** (please refer to the patient's formulary)?..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
   A. **If YES**, please answer the following:
      i. Is the patient *at least* 65 years of age?..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
      ii. Do the benefits of the requested high-risk medication outweigh the risks for this patient?..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
      iii. Has the prescriber documented that the potential side effects and risks of this high-risk medication have been discussed with the patient or authorized representative of the patient?.... ☐ Yes ☐ No

I certify that I have appropriate authority to request a coverage determination for the medication indicated on this request. I further certify that the patient's medical records accurately reflect the information provided. I understand that Blue Cross NC may request medical records for this patient at any time in order to verify this information.

Physician Signature:_____ Date: _____

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