



Federal Employee Program.

ACTEMRA
PRIOR APPROVAL REQUEST

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Blue Shield of California
Fax: 1-855-895-3504

Additional information is required to process your claim for prescription drugs. Please
complete the cardholder portion, and have the prescribing physician complete the physician portion
and submit this completed form. All incomplete and illegible forms will be returned to the patient.

CARDHOLDER / PATIENT INFORMATION

Cardholder Name: _____ / _____ / _____

First MI Last

Patient Name: _____ / _____ / _____

First MI Last

Patient Address: _____

Street City State Zip

Patient Date of Birth: ____ / ____ / ____ Sex: M ____ F ____ R

Cardholder Identification Number box

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PHYSICIAN COMPLETES

Actemra (tocilizumab)

NOTE: Form must be completed in its entirety for processing

Enbrel and Humira are preferred/participating products for RA/pJIA. Please consider prescribing a
preferred/participating product. Patients who switch to Enbrel/Humira will be eligible for 2 copays at no cost in the 2016
benefit year.

- 1. Has the patient received a Prior Authorization for a different TNF agent previously?
2. Is Actemra going to be used in combination with any other biologic disease-modifying anti-rheumatic drug (DMARD) or targeted
synthetic DMARD?

(examples of biologic agents: Cimzia, Enbrel, Humira, Kineret, Orencia, Remicade, Rituxan, Simponi, Stelara, and Xeljanz)

- 3. Does the patient have any active infections (including tuberculosis (TB) or hepatitis B virus (HBV))?
4. What is the patient's diagnosis?

Rheumatoid Arthritis (RA) (please answer the following questions)

- a. Is/was the Rheumatoid Arthritis moderately to severely active prior to initial therapy?
b. Would you like to switch the patient to a preferred/participating product?

Polyarticular juvenile idiopathic arthritis (pJIA) (please answer the following questions)

- a. Is/was the polyarticular juvenile idiopathic arthritis active prior to initial therapy?
b. Would you like to switch the patient to a preferred/participating product?

Systemic juvenile idiopathic arthritis (sJIA) (please answer the following question)

- a. Is/was the systemic juvenile idiopathic arthritis active prior to initial therapy?

Other Diagnosis (please specify): _____

- 5. Has the patient been receiving Actemra therapy for at least 6 months continuously, excluding samples?

YES - this would be the CONTINUATION of therapy, please answer the following question:

- a. Has the patient's condition improved or stabilized since starting Actemra therapy?

NO - this would be the INITIATION of Actemra therapy, please answer the following questions:

Has the patient had a recent test for a latent tuberculosis (TB) infection?

If YES, what was the result of the TB test? Negative Positive

If POSITIVE, is the patient receiving treatment or has the patient already completed treatment for TB?

Does the patient have any active bacterial, invasive fungal, viral or opportunistic infections present?
c. Is the patient at risk for hepatitis B virus (HBV)?

If YES, has HBV been ruled out or has therapy been started for treatment of the HBV infection?

Rheumatoid Arthritis (RA) (please answer the following question)

- d. Has the patient experienced an inadequate response, intolerance, or contraindication to one or more DMARDs?



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Form fields for Physician Name, Phone, Fax, Street Address, City, State, Zip, Prescriber's NPI, Physician Signature, and Date.

1. Has the patient received at least 30 days of Actemra within the past 4 months? [] Yes [] No

2. If the patient has previously been treated with Actemra, have they had a break for more than 4 months due to a medical reason such as pregnancy, surgery, or intercurrent medical illness?

*If YES, please specify medical reason:

Two horizontal lines for specifying medical reason.

3. Does the patient have a contraindication to Enbrel and Humira? [] Yes* [] No

*If YES, please provide specific details regarding contraindication below:

Two horizontal lines for providing specific details regarding contraindication.

4. Does the patient have a history of demyelinating disorder? [] Yes [] No 5. Does the patient have a history of congestive heart failure? [] Yes [] No 6. Does the patient have a history of Hepatitis B Virus infection? [] Yes [] No 7. Does the patient have autoantibody formation / lupus-like syndrome? [] Yes [] No 8. Has the patient had an inadequate response, intolerance, or confirmed adverse event to both Enbrel and Humira? [] Yes* [] No

*If YES, please describe the inadequate response, intolerance, or adverse event below:

Two horizontal lines for describing inadequate response, intolerance, or adverse event.

9. Has the patient tried either Enbrel or Humira? [] Yes [] No

10. Is there a clinical reason for not trying both Enbrel and Humira? [] Yes* [] No

*If YES, please describe the clinical reason below:

Two horizontal lines for describing clinical reason.