PriorityHealth

Medicare Part B vs. Part D determination form

Fax completed form to: 877.974.4411 toll free, or 616.942.8206

This form applies to: ☐ **Medicare Part B** ☐ **Medicare Part D**
This request is: ☐ **Urgent** (life threatening) ☐ **Non-Urgent** (standard review)

Urgent means the standard review time may seriously jeopardize the life or health of the patient or the patient's ability to regain maximum function.

Dronabinol oral capsule

Member

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____
ID #: _____ DOB: _____ Gender: _____
Primary Care Physician: _____

Requesting Provider: _____ Prov. Phone: _____ Prov. Fax: _____
Provider Address: _____
Provider NPI: _____ Contact Name: _____

Provider Signature: _____ Date: _____

Drug information

☐ New request ☐ Continuation request

Start date (or date of next dose): _____
Date of last dose (if applicable): _____

Drug product: ☐ dronabinol oral capsule

Dosing frequency: _____

Part B vs. Part D Coverage Determination Criteria

This drug requires prior authorization because it may be covered differently under the Medicare Part B (medical benefit) or Part D (prescription drug benefit) depending on the patient's circumstances. To determine which benefit the drug is covered under, Priority Health needs to know the use and setting of this drug.

For this drug to be covered under Medicare Part B, the patient must meet the following criteria:

1. Must be used for the prevention of chemotherapy-induced nausea and vomiting;
2. Must be administered within 2 hours of chemotherapy and continued no more than 48 hours after chemotherapy; and
3. Must be used as a full therapeutic replacement for intravenous (IV) anti-emetic drugs that would have otherwise been administered at the time of chemotherapy.

For this drug to be covered under Medicare Part D, the patient must meet the following criteria:

1. Must not meet criteria for Medicare Part B coverage *(see above)*
2. Must be used for a medically accepted indication*

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Medically accepted indication*

This drug is only covered under Medicare Part D when it is used for a medically accepted indication. A medically accepted indication is a use of the drug that is *either*:

- approved by the Food and Drug Administration. (That is, the Food and Drug Administration has approved the drug for the diagnosis or condition for which it is being prescribed.)
- — *or* — supported by certain reference books. (These reference books are the American Hospital Formulary Service Drug Information, DRUGDEX Information System, and Lexi-Drugs)

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A. What condition is this drug being requested for?

☐ Prevention of chemotherapy-induced nausea and vomiting

1. **Will dronabinol be administered within 2 hours of chemotherapy?**
   ☐ Yes
   ☐ No
2. **Will dronabinol be continued for more than 48 hours after chemotherapy?**
   ☐ Yes
   ☐ No
3. **Will dronabinol be used as a full therapeutic replacement for IV anti-emetic drugs that would have otherwise been adminstered at the time of chemotherapy?**
   ☐ Yes
   ☐ No

☐ Disease-related nausea and vomiting, refractory to other treatments

1. **List the condition causing the nausea and vomiting:** _____

☐ Loss of appetite/anorexia associated with weight loss in adults with AIDS
☐ Chemotherapy-induced nausea and vomting refractory to conventional anti-emetics
☐ Postoperative nausea and vomiting treatment or prevention
☐ Gilles de la Tourette's syndrome
☐ Muscular spasticity associated with multiple sclerosis
☐ Pruritus caused by cholestatic liver disease that did not respond to other treatments

☐ *Other – the patient's condition is:* _____
Rationale for Other use: _____

B. Did the patient try and fail other anti-emetics?

☐ Yes. *Please check all that apply*.
☐ Ondansetron ☐ Prochlorperazine
☐ Promethazine ☐ Metoclopramide
☐ Chlorpromazine
☐ Other: _____

☐ No. **Are you requesting an exception to the criteria?**
☐ Yes. ***Rationale for exception***: _____
☐ No

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Additional information

Note: Criteria are found in the Medicare Benefit Policy Manual, Chapter 15 (Covered Medical and Other Health Services), section 50.5.4 (Oral Anti-Nausea (Anti-Emetic) Drugs)

Priority Health Medicare Part D Exception Request *(exceptions to the above criteria)*

Do you believe one or more of the prior authorization requirements should be waived? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, you must provide a statement explaining the medical reason why the exception should be approved.

Would dronabinol likely be the most effective option for this patient?
☐ No
☐ Yes, because:_____

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If the patient is currently using dronabinol, would changing the patient's current regimen likely result in adverse effects for the patient?
☐ No
☐ Yes, because:_____

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