

# Medical prior authorization form

Fax completed form to: 877.974.4411 toll free, or 616.942.8206

This form applies to:  **Commercial (Traditional)**     **Commercial (Individual/Optimized)**

**Medicaid**

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.

## Radicava<sup>®</sup> (endaravone)

### Member

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

ID #: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Care Physician: \_\_\_\_\_

Requesting Physician: \_\_\_\_\_ Phys. Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Phys. Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Physician Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Physician NPI: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Provider Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Product and Billing Information

New Request     Continuation Request

Drug product:     Radicava 30mg/100mL solution

Dose: \_\_\_\_\_ Dose Frequency: \_\_\_\_\_

Start date (or date of next dose): \_\_\_\_\_

Date of last dose (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Date of next dose: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of administration:  Physician's office

Outpatient infusion

Facility: \_\_\_\_\_ NPI: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Home infusion

Facility: \_\_\_\_\_ NPI: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Billing:  Physician to buy and bill

Facility to buy and bill

Specialty Pharmacy

Pharmacy: \_\_\_\_\_ NPI: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

ICD-10 Diagnosis code(s): \_\_\_\_\_

### Precertification Requirements

Before this drug is covered, the patient must meet all of the following requirements:

1. Diagnosis of "definite" or "probable" amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS) as defined by the revised El Escorial World Federation of Neurology /Arlie House criteria<sup>1</sup>
  - Please provide clinical documentation to support
2. Disease duration of ≤ 2 years
  - Please provide date of diagnosis
3. Age 20 to 75 years
4. Living independently
5. Score of ≥ 2 on each individual item of the revised ALS functional rating scale (ALSFRS-R)<sup>2</sup>

- Please provide a completed copy of ALSFRS-R
6. Forced vital capacity (FVC)  $\geq$  80%

**If the above criteria are met, initial approval will be for a total of 6 treatment cycles for 6 months. For continuation (one additional 6-month approval), patient must have met the following requirements:**

1. FCV of greater than or equal to 30%, does not require tracheostomy/artificial ventilation, and is not on continuous Bilevel Positive Airway Pressure (BiPAP)
2. Ambulatory (able to walk with or without assistance)
3. Able to self-feed

**Note:** Authorization for indications, dosing, or a route of administration not approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) or recognized in CMS-accepted compendia (e.g. DrugDex, AHFS, U.S. Pharmacopeia, and also Clinical Pharmacology for oncology indications only) require supporting evidence for coverage. Please provide two published peer-reviewed literature articles supporting the appropriateness of the drug, the dosing of the drug, or the route of administration to be used for the identified indication.

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**Priority Health Precertification Documentation**

**A. What condition is this drug being requested for?**

- "Definite" or "Probable" ALS  
 Other – rationale for use: \_\_\_\_\_

**B. Has clinical documentation been provided to support diagnosis of "definite" or "probable" ALS?**

- Yes       No

**C. Disease duration**

- Less than or equal to 2 years      Date of diagnosis \_\_\_\_\_  
 Greater than 2 years      Date of diagnosis \_\_\_\_\_

**D. Is the patient currently living independently?**

- Yes       No

**E. Has a completed copy of the patient's ALSFRS-R been provided?**

- Yes       No

**F. Does the patient have a score of  $\geq$  2 on each individual ALSFRS-R item?**

- Yes       No

**G. What is the patient's FVC?**

- FVC \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**For continuation of previously authorized requests:**

**H. Does the patient have FCV of greater than or equal to 30%, does not require tracheostomy/artificial ventilation, and is not on continuous Bilevel Positive Airway Pressure (BiPAP)?**

- Yes       No

**I. Is the patient ambulatory (able to walk with or without assistance)?**

- Yes       No

**J. Is the patient able to self-feed?**

- Yes       No

<sup>1</sup>**Revised El Escorial (Arlie House) criteria**

B. R. Brooks, R. G. Miller, M. Swash, T. L. El Escorial revisited: revised criteria for the diagnosis of amyotrophic lateral sclerosis. Munsat, World Federation of Neurology Research Group on Motor Neuron Diseases. Amyotroph Lateral Scler Other Motor Neuron Disord. 2000 Dec; 1(5): 293–299.

- **Clinically Definite ALS**

Defined on clinical evidence alone by the presence of upper motor neuron (UMN), as well as lower motor neuron (LMN) signs, in three regions: either (1) one in bulbar regions and at two in spinal regions or (2) three in the spinal regions.

- **Clinically Probable ALS**

Defined on clinical evidence alone by UMN and LMN signs in at least two regions with some UMN signs necessarily rostral to (above) the LMN signs.

<sup>2</sup>**ALS functional rating scale (revised) (ALSFRS-R)**

Cedarbaum JM, Stambler N, Malta E, et al. The ALSFRS-R: a revised ALS functional rating scale that incorporates assessments of respiratory function. J Neurol Sci. 1999;169:13–21. doi: 10.1016/S0022-510X(99)00210-5.

<p>Speech</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4 Normal speech processes</li> <li>• 3 Detectable speech disturbance</li> <li>• 2 Intelligible with repeating</li> <li>• 1 Speech combined with nonvocal communication</li> <li>• 0 Loss of useful speech</li> </ul>	<p>Turning in bed and adjusting bed clothes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4 Normal</li> <li>• 3 Somewhat slow and clumsy, but no help needed</li> <li>• 2 Can turn alone or adjust sheets, but with great difficulty</li> <li>• 1 Can initiate, but not turn or adjust sheets alone</li> <li>• 0 Helpless</li> </ul>
<p>Salivation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4 Normal</li> <li>• 3 Slight but definite excess of saliva in mouth; may have nighttime drooling</li> <li>• 2 Moderately excessive saliva; may have minimal drooling</li> <li>• 1 Marked excess of saliva with some drooling</li> <li>• 0 Marked drooling; requires constant tissue or handkerchief</li> </ul>	<p>Walking</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4 Normal</li> <li>• 3 Early ambulation difficulties</li> <li>• 2 Walks with assistance</li> <li>• 1 Nonambulatory functional movement</li> <li>• 0 No purposeful leg movement</li> </ul>
<p>Swallowing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4 Normal eating habits</li> <li>• 3 Early eating problems — occasional choking</li> <li>• 2 Dietary consistency changes</li> <li>• 1 Needs supplemental tube feeding</li> <li>• 0 NPO (exclusively parenteral or enteral feeding)</li> </ul>	<p>Climbing stairs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4 Normal</li> <li>• 3 Slow</li> <li>• 2 Mild unsteadiness or fatigue</li> <li>• 1 Needs assistance</li> <li>• 0 Cannot do</li> </ul>
<p>Handwriting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4 Normal</li> <li>• 3 Slow or sloppy: all words are legible</li> <li>• 2 Not all words are legible</li> <li>• 1 Able to grip pen but unable to write</li> <li>• 0 Unable to grip pen</li> </ul>	<p>Dyspnea (new)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4 None</li> <li>• 3 Occurs when walking</li> <li>• 2 Occurs with one or more of the following: eating, bathing, dressing (ADL)</li> <li>• 1 Occurs at rest, difficulty breathing when either sitting or lying</li> <li>• 0 Significant difficulty, considering using mechanical respiratory support</li> </ul>
<p>Cutting food and handling utensils (patients without gastrostomy)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4 Normal</li> <li>• 3 Somewhat slow and clumsy, but no help needed</li> <li>• 2 Can cut most foods, although clumsy and slow; some help needed</li> <li>• 1 Food must be cut by someone, but can still feed slowly</li> <li>• 0 Needs to be fed</li> </ul>	<p>Orthopnea (new)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4 None</li> <li>• 3 Some difficulty sleeping at night due to shortness of breath, does not routinely use more than two pillows</li> <li>• 2 Needs extra pillows in order to sleep (more than two)</li> <li>• 1 Can only sleep sitting up</li> <li>• 0 Unable to sleep</li> </ul>
<p>Cutting food and handling utensils (alternate scale for patients with gastrostomy)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4 Normal</li> <li>• 3 Clumsy but able to perform all manipulations independently</li> <li>• 2 Some help needed with closures and fasteners</li> <li>• 1 Provides minimal assistance to caregiver</li> <li>• 0 Unable to perform any aspect of task</li> </ul>	<p>Respiratory insufficiency (new)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4 None</li> <li>• 3 Intermittent use of BiPAP</li> <li>• 2 Continuous use of BiPAP during the night</li> <li>• 1 Continuous use of BiPAP during the night and day</li> <li>• 0 Invasive mechanical ventilation by intubation or tracheostomy</li> </ul>
<p>Dressing and hygiene</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4 Normal function</li> <li>• 3 Independent and complete self-care with effort or decreased efficiency</li> <li>• 2 Intermittent assistance or substitute methods</li> <li>• 1 Needs attendant for self-care</li> <li>• 0 Total dependence</li> </ul>	<p><i>Interpretation</i>                      minimum score: 0                      maximum score: 48                      (The higher the score the more function is retained)</p>

**Authorized dosing:**

**Initial cycle: 60mg IV infusion daily for 14 days, followed by a 14-day drug-free period.**

**Subsequent cycles: 60mg IV infusion daily 10 days out of 14-day periods, followed by 14-day drug-free periods.**