# **AvMed**

### MEDICAL PRIOR AUTHORIZATION/STEP-EDIT REQUEST\*

<u>Directions:</u> The prescribing physician must sign and clearly print name (preprinted stamps not valid) on this request. All other information may be filled in by office staff; <u>fax to 1-877-535-1391</u>. No additional phone calls will be necessary if all information (including phone and fax #s) on this form is correct. <u>If information provided is not complete, correct, or legible, authorization can be delayed</u>.

For Medicare Members: Medicare Coverage for outpatient (Part B) drugs is outlined in the Medicare Benefit Policy Manual (Pub. 100-2), Chapter 15, §50 Drugs and Biologicals. In addition, National Coverage Determination (NCD) and Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs) may exist and compliance with these policies is required where applicable. They can be found at: <a href="https://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/overview-and-quick-search.aspx">https://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/overview-and-quick-search.aspx</a>. Additional indications may be covered at the discretion of the health plan.

## **Intravitreal Complement Inhibitors (Medical)**

## **Quantity Limit:**

- Izervay Maximum 1 vial per eye per 28 days; 1 vial = 20 billable units
- Syfovre Maximum 1 vial per eye per 25 days; 1 vial = 15 billable units

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□ Standard Review. In checking this box, the timeframe does not jeopardize the life or health of the member or the member's ability to regain maximum function and would not subject the member to severe pain.

### **Recommended Dosage:**

- Izervay 2 mg (0.1 mL of 20 mg/mL solution) administered by intravitreal injection to each affected eye once monthly (approximately every  $28 \pm 7$  days)
- Syfovre 15 mg (0.1 mL of 150 mg/mL solution) administered by intravitreal injection to each affected eye once every 25 to 60 days

**CLINICAL CRITERIA:** Check below all that apply. All criteria must be met for approval. To support each line checked, all documentation, including lab results, diagnostics, and/or chart notes, must be provided or request may be denied.

<u> 1iti</u>	al Authorization: 12 months
	Provider is an Optometry Specialist or an Ophthalmologist
	Member has a diagnosis of geographic atrophy (GA) confirmed by <u>ALL</u> the following:
	Defined by a phenotype of central geographic atrophy having 1 or more zones of well demarcated retinal pigmented epithelium (RPE) and/or choriocapillaris atrophy
	☐ Disease is secondary to age-related macular degeneration (AMD)
	☐ Conditions other than AMD have been ruled out (e.g., Stargardt disease, cone rod dystrophy, toxic maculopathies such as plaquenil maculopathy in either eye)
	Provider has submitted member's baseline for at least <b>ONE</b> of the following:
	☐ Best Corrected visual acuity (BCVA) score:
	☐ Fundus autofluorescence (FAF) imaging:
	☐ Optical coherence tomography (OCT):
	Requested medication will <u>NOT</u> be used in combination with other intravitreal complement inhibitor therapies
	Member does <u>NOT</u> have category 6, or higher, visual impairment or blindness (i.e., no light perception-total blindness)
	Provider is requesting <b>ONE</b> of the following dosing frequencies:
	□ Monthly
	□ Every other month
eat	uthorization: 12 months. All criteria that apply must be checked for approval. To support each
	checked all documentation (lab results, diagnostics, and/or chart notes) must be provided or request may

R be denied.

- ☐ Member has had disease stabilization or slowing rate of disease progression while on therapy compared to previous baseline as measured by at least **ONE** the following:
  - ☐ Member's best corrected visual acuity (BCVA) has improved or stabilized from baseline
  - ☐ Member's fundus autofluorescence (FAF) imaging has improved or stabilized from baseline
  - ☐ Member's optical coherence tomography (OCT) has improved or stabilized from baseline

# PA Intravitreal Compliment Inhibitors (Medical)(AvMed) (Continued from previous page)

Provider attests continued administration is necessary for the maintenance treatment of the condition are both member and provider have discussed potential decrease in frequency of administration if receiving monthly
Member has experienced an absence of unacceptable toxicity from the drug including but not limited to endophthalmitis, retinal detachment, neovascular (wet) AMD or choroidal neovascularization, intraocu inflammation (e.g., vitritis, vitreal cells, iridocyclitis, uveitis, anterior chamber cells, iritis, and anterior chamber flare), increased intraocular pressure, that cannot be adequately treated
Medication being provided by: Please check applicable box below.
□ Location/site of drug administration:
NPI or DEA # of administering location:
<u>OR</u>
□ Specialty Pharmacy
For urgent reviews: Practitioner should call AvMed Pre-Authorization Department if they believe a standard review would subject the member to adverse health consequences. AvMed's definition of urgent is a lack of treatment that could seriously jeopardize the life or health of the member or the member's ability to regain maximum function.
**Use of samples to initiate therapy does not meet step edit/ preauthorization criteria.**  *Previous therapies will be verified through pharmacy paid claims or submitted chart notes