# AvMed

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

**Directions:** 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 1-305-671-0200</u>. No additional phone calls will be necessary if all information (including phone and fax #s) on this form is correct. If the information provided is not complete, correct, or legible, the authorization process can be delayed.

#### **Drug Requested:** (select drug below)

□ <b>Repatha</b> <sup>®</sup> (evolocumab)	□ <b>Praluent</b> <sup>®</sup> (alirocumab)
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MEMBER & PRESCRIBER IN	<b>FORMATION:</b> Authorization may be delayed if incomplete.		
Member Name:			
Member AvMed #:			
Prescriber Name:			
Prescriber Signature:	Date:		
Office Contact Name:			
Phone Number:	Fax Number:		
DEA OR NPI #:			
DRUG INFORMATION: Author	ization may be delayed if incomplete.		
Drug Form/Strength:			
Dosing Schedule:	Length of Therapy:		
Diagnosis:	ICD Code, if applicable:		
Weight:	Date:		

DRUG	QUANTITY LIMIT
PRALUENT 150 MG/ML PEN	2 pens per 28 days
PRALUENT 75 MG/ML PEN	2 pens per 28 days
REPATHA 140 MG/ML SURECLICK	2 auto-injectors per 28 days
REPATHA 140 MG/ML SYRINGE	2 syringes per 28 days
REPATHA 420 MG/3.5ML PUSHTRONX	1 cartridge per 28 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.

#### **Initial Authorization: 12 months**

- □ Must be prescribed by or in consultation with a Cardiologist, Endocrinologist or Lipid Specialist
- □ Medication will be used as adjunct to low-fat diet
- □ Provider has <u>COMPLETED</u> Sections I, IIa or IIb and III (if applicable) below

#### Section I. Diagnoses: (select one below)

## **Diagnosis: Primary Hyperlipidemia**

<u>NOTE</u>: This is not associated with atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease (ASCVD), heterozygous familial hypercholesterolemia (HeFH), or homozygous familial hypercholesterolemia (HoFH) and may be referred to as combined hyperlipidemia, hypercholesterolemia (pure, primary), dyslipidemia, or increased/elevated low-density lipoprotein cholesterol (LDL-C) levels.

- □ Member must meet <u>ALL</u> the following:
  - □ Member is 18 years of age or older
  - □ Member has a coronary artery calcium or calcification score  $\ge$  300 Agatston units
  - □ Member meets <u>ONE</u> of the following:
    - $\Box$  Member meets <u>ALL</u> the following:
      - □ Member has tried one high-intensity statin therapy (i.e., atorvastatin  $\ge$  40 mg daily; rosuvastatin  $\ge$  20 mg daily [as a single-entity or as a combination product])
      - □ Member has tried one high-intensity statin therapy above along with ezetimibe (as a single-entity or as a combination product) for  $\ge 8$  continuous weeks
      - □ Member's LDL-C level after this treatment regimen remains  $\geq 100 \text{ mg/dL}$
    - Member has been determined to be statin intolerant and meets all clinical criteria in section IIb below
- □ Provider has completed section III if applicable

### **Diagnosis:** Atherosclerotic Cardiovascular Disease

- □ Member is 18 years of age or older and has Atherosclerotic Cardiovascular Disease (ASCVD) confirmed by at least <u>ONE</u> of the following:
  - □ Acute Coronary Syndrome
  - □ History of myocardial infarction
  - □ Stable or unstable angina
  - □ Peripheral arterial disease presumed to be of atherosclerotic origin
  - □ Member has undergone coronary or other arterial revascularization procedure in the past
  - □ History of Stroke
  - □ History of Transient ischemic attack
- □ Provider has completed sections IIa or IIb & III if applicable

#### **Diagnosis:** Heterozygous familial hypercholesterolemia (HeFH)

- □ Member is 10 years of age or older and has heterozygous familial hypercholesterolemia (HeFH) as confirmed by the following:
  - □ Member meets <u>ONE</u> of the following:
    - □ Member has an untreated low-density lipoprotein cholesterol (LDL-C)  $\ge$  190 mg/dL (prior to treatment with antihyperlipidemic therapy)
    - Member has genetic confirmation of heterozygous familial hypercholesterolemia by mutations in the low-density lipoprotein receptor, apolipoprotein B, proprotein convertase subtilisin kexin type 9, or low-density lipoprotein receptor adaptor protein 1 gene
    - □ Member has been diagnosed with heterozygous familial hypercholesterolemia by meeting <u>ONE</u> of the following diagnostic criteria thresholds:
      - □ Provider attests member's Dutch Lipid Network criteria score was > 5
      - Provider attests that Simone Broome criteria met the threshold for "definite" or "possible (or probable)" familial hypercholesterolemia
- □ Provider has completed sections IIa or IIb & III if applicable

#### Diagnosis: Homozygous familial hypercholesterolemia (HoFH)

- □ Member is 10 years of age or older and has homozygous familial hypercholesterolemia (HoFH) as confirmed by the following:
  - □ Member meets <u>ONE</u> of the following:
    - □ Member has genetic confirmation of two mutant alleles at the low-density lipoprotein receptor, apolipoprotein B, proprotein convertase subtilisin kexin type 9 (PCSK9), or low-density lipoprotein receptor adaptor protein 1 gene locus
    - □ Member has an untreated low-density lipoprotein cholesterol (LDL-C) level > 500 mg/dL AND meets <u>ONE</u> of the following:
      - □ Member has had clinical manifestations of homozygous familial hypercholesterolemia before the age of 10 (e.g., xanthomas, tendon xanthomas, arcus cornea, tuberous xanthomas, or xanthelasma)
      - □ Members parents both have had untreated LDL-C levels or total cholesterol levels consistent with heterozygous familial hypercholesterolemia (i.e., both parents have had an untreated LDL-C level ≥ 190 mg/dL and/or an untreated total cholesterol level > 250 mg/dL
    - □ Member has a treated LDL-C level  $\geq$  300 mg/dL AND meets <u>ONE</u> of the following:
      - Member has had clinical manifestations of homozygous familial hypercholesterolemia before the age of 10 (e.g., xanthomas, tendon xanthomas, arcus cornea, tuberous xanthomas, or xanthelasma)
      - □ Members parents both have had untreated LDL-C levels or total cholesterol levels consistent with heterozygous familial hypercholesterolemia (i.e., both parents have had an untreated LDL-C level ≥ 190 mg/dL and/or an untreated total cholesterol level > 250 mg/dL
- □ Provider has completed sections IIa or IIb & III if applicable

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## Section IIa. FOR ALL DIAGNOSIS: Skip to Section IIb IF member is unable to tolerate statin therapy

- □ Member has tried <u>ONE</u> of the following statin therapies as a single-entity or combination product for at least 8 consecutive weeks:
  - $\Box$  High intensity statin therapy with atorvastatin (generic Lipitor)  $\geq$  40 mg daily
  - $\Box$  High intensity statin therapy rosuvastatin (generic Crestor)  $\geq$  20 mg daily
  - □ Moderate-intensity statin therapy (member unable to tolerate high intensity therapy)
  - □ Low intensity statin therapy (member unable to tolerate moderate intensity therapy
- □ Member's LDL-C after 8-week trial of maximally tolerated statin therapy remains  $\geq$  70 mg/dL
- □ Please provide member's LDL levels below:
  - LDL baseline: \_

\_ LDL post-treatment: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Section IIb. FOR ALL DIAGNOSIS: Contraindication to statin therapy

• Select below if the member is unable to tolerate low, moderate, and high intensity statin therapy as evidenced by intolerable and persistent symptoms to **TWO** different statins (i.e., more than 2 weeks); Please provide previously attempted statin name, strength & therapy initiation date below:

Drug Name:	Strength:	Date started:
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- □ Member is unable to tolerate statin therapy due to the occurrence of at least <u>ONE</u> of the following symptoms:
  - □ Myalgia (muscle symptoms without CK elevations)
  - □ Myositis (muscle symptoms with CK elevations < 10 times upper limit of normal)
  - □ Member has experienced rhabdomyolysis or muscle symptoms with CK elevations > 10 times upper limit of normal
  - □ Member has a labeled contraindication to ALL statins as documented in medical records
- **□** Re-initiation of statin therapy has been attempted and failed

### Section III. FOR ALL PRALUENT REQUESTS:

- □ Member must meet <u>ONE</u> of the following:
  - □ Member has tried and failed at least 90 days of therapy with Repatha<sup>®</sup> (verified by claims, chart notes, and/or labs)
  - □ Member has a contraindication or intolerance to Repatha<sup>®</sup> (verified by chart notes and/or labs)

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**<u>Reauthorization</u>**: 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>Provider please note</u>: a one-time reauthorization is required after initial 12-month approval

Provider attests member has experienced a positive clinical response to PCSK9 therapy (e.g., decreasing low-density lipoprotein cholesterol (LDL-C), total cholesterol, non-high-density lipoprotein (non-HDL-C), or apolipoprotein B levels)

**Medication being provided by Specialty Pharmacy – Proprium Rx** 

Not all drugs may be covered under every Plan

If a drug is non-formulary on a Plan, documentation of medical necessity will be required.

\*\*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.\*