

RX.PA.080.MPC Briumvi (ublituximab-xiyy)

The purpose of this policy is to define the prior authorization process for Briumvi™ (ublituximab-xiyy) intravenous infusion

Briumvi, a CD20-directed cytolytic antibody, is indicated for the treatment of relapsing forms of **multiple sclerosis** (MS), to include clinically isolated syndrome, relapsing remitting disease, and active secondary progressive disease, in adults.

PROCEDURE

A. Initial Authorization Criteria:

1. Multiple Sclerosis. All requests must meet the following criteria:

- Must be age 18 years or older
- Must have a documented diagnosis of relapsing form of multiple sclerosis
Note: Examples of relapsing forms of multiple sclerosis include clinically isolated syndrome, relapsing remitting disease, and active secondary progressive disease.
- Must have experienced at least one relapse in the previous year, two relapses in the previous two years, or has a presence of a T1 gadolinium (Gd) enhancing lesion in the previous year
- Must have a documented baseline Expanded Disability Status Scale (EDSS) score of 0 to 5.5
- Must be prescribed by or in consultation with a neurologist
- Dose does not exceed FDA approved indication
- Patient has a documented Hepatitis B virus screening and quantitative serum immunoglobulin screening before first initial dose
- Patient must not have an active infection
- Must have a documented trial and failure for at least 3 months, contraindication to, or intolerance to two of the following multiple sclerosis treatments:
 - Dimethyl fumarate
 - Glatiramer acetate
 - Interferon β -1b
 - Interferon β -1a
- Must have a documented trial and failure for at least 3 months, contraindication to, or intolerance to Rituximab or its biosimilars
- Must not use Briumvi concurrently with other disease modifying agents used for multiple sclerosis such as Aubagio, Kesimpta, Ocrevus, Tysabri, etc.

B. Reauthorization Criteria:

1. Multiple Sclerosis

MPC Renewal:

- All prior authorization renewals are reviewed on a 6 month interval basis to determine the Medical Necessity for continuation of therapy.
- Documentation of a clinical response, as determined by the prescriber
- Patient meets one of the following [a or b]:
 - a. Patient experienced a beneficial clinical response when assessed by at least one objective measure; OR
Note: Examples include stabilization or reduced worsening in disease activity as evaluated by magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) [absence or a decrease in gadolinium enhancing lesions, decrease in the number of new or enlarging T2 lesions]; stabilization or reduced worsening on the Expanded Disability Status Scale (EDSS) score; achievement in criteria for No Evidence of Disease Activity-3 (NEDA-3) or NEDA-4; improvement on the fatigue symptom and impact questionnaire-relapsing multiple sclerosis (FSIQ-RMS) scale; reduction or absence of relapses; improvement or maintenance on the six-minute walk test or 12-Item Multiple Sclerosis Walking Scale; improvement on the Multiple Sclerosis Functional Composite (MSFC) score; and/or attenuation of brain volume loss.
 - b. Patient experienced stabilization, slowed progression, or improvement in at least one symptom such as motor function, fatigue, vision, bowel/bladder function, spasticity, walking/gait, or pain/numbness/tingling sensation
- Must be prescribed by or in consultation with a neurologist
- Must not use Briumvi concurrently with other disease modifying agents used for multiple sclerosis such as Aubagio, Kesimpta, Ocrevus, Tysabri, etc.

Renewal from Previous Insurer:

- Members who have received prior approval (from insurer other than MPC) and have been taking Briumvi have been receiving medication samples, should be considered under criterion A (Initial Authorization Criteria). Provider has a documented clinical response of the member's condition which has improved based or stabilized upon the prescriber's assessment

C. Briumvi (ublituximab-xiyy) will be considered investigational or experimental for any other use and will not be covered.

Limitations:

Length of Authorization (if above criteria met)	
Initial Authorization	Up to 3 months
Reauthorization	Up to 6 months

Codes:

Code	Description
J2329	Injection, ublituximab-xiyy, 1mg

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REVIEW HISTORY

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