

# 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; **fax to 1-305-671-0200**. 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:** Xolair™ (omalizumab) (self-administered) (Pharmacy)

**MEMBER & PRESCRIBER INFORMATION:** Authorization may be delayed if incomplete.

Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Member AvMed #: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Prescriber Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Prescriber Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Office Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

DEA OR NPI #: \_\_\_\_\_

**DRUG INFORMATION:** Authorization may be delayed if incomplete.

Drug Form/Strength: \_\_\_\_\_

Dosing Schedule: \_\_\_\_\_ Length of Therapy: \_\_\_\_\_

Diagnosis: \_\_\_\_\_ ICD Code, if applicable: \_\_\_\_\_

Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Quantity Limits:** 1 prefilled syringe per 28 days

- 75 mg/0.5 mL prefilled syringe
  - NDC: 50242-0214-01
- 150 mg/1 mL prefilled syringe
  - NDC: 50242-0215-01

\*AvMed considers the use of concomitant therapy with Cinqair®, Dupixent®, Fasentra®, Nucala®, Tezspire™ and Xolair® to be experimental and investigational. Safety and efficacy of these combinations have **NOT** been established and will **NOT** be permitted. In the event a member has an active Cinqair®, Dupixent®, Fasentra®, Nucala® or Tezspire™ authorization on file, all subsequent requests for Xolair® will **NOT** be approved.

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**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. **(Trials will be verified using pharmacy claims and/or submitted chart notes.)**

- DIAGNOSIS: Moderate to Severe Persistent Asthma** – with a positive skin test or in vitro reactivity to a perennial aeroallergen and symptoms are inadequately controlled with inhaled corticosteroids.

**Initial Authorization: 12 months**

**Recommended Dosage:** Maximum dosages will be based on a member weight of 150 kg. **Check applicable dose below:**

- 150mg every 4 week
- 225mg every 2 weeks
- 300mg every 2 weeks
- 300mg every 4 weeks
- 375mg every 2 weeks
  
- Prescribed by or in consultation with an allergist or pulmonologist
- Has the member been approved for Xolair<sup>®</sup> previously through AvMed medical department?
  - Yes       No
- Member is currently being treated with **ONE** of the following unless there is a contraindication or intolerance to these medications and must be compliant on therapy **for at least 90 consecutive days** within a year of request:
  - Medium to high-dose inhaled corticosteroid (ICS) (e.g., greater than 500 mcg fluticasone propionate equivalent/day) **AND** an additional asthma controller medication (e.g., leukotriene receptor antagonist, long-acting beta-2 agonist (LABA), theophylline)
  - One maximally dosed combination ICS/LABA product (e.g., Advair<sup>®</sup> (fluticasone propionate/salmeterol), Dulera<sup>®</sup> (mometasone/formoterol), Symbicort<sup>®</sup> (budesonide/formoterol))
- Member must meet **ONE** of the following:
  - Member is  $\geq 6$  and  $< 12$  years of age with a pre-treatment IgE level of 30-1300
  - Member is  $\geq 12$  years of age with a pre-treatment IgE level of 30-700

**IgE level:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Test Date:** \_\_\_\_\_
- Member has experienced **ONE** of the following (check box that applies):
  - More than  $> 2$  exacerbations requiring additional medical treatment (e.g., an increase in oral corticosteroid dose, emergency department, urgent care visits or hospitalizations) within the past 12 months
  - Any prior intubation for an asthma exacerbation

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**Diagnosis: Moderate-to-Severe Persistent Asthma**

**Reauthorization: 12 months.** 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.

- Member has experienced a sustained positive clinical response to Xolair<sup>®</sup> therapy as demonstrated by at least **ONE** of the following (**check all that apply; chart notes must be submitted**):
  - Increase in percent predicted Forced Expiratory Volume (FEV1) from baseline (pre-treatment)
  - Reduction in the dose of inhaled corticosteroids required to control asthma
  - Reduction in the use of oral corticosteroids to treat/prevent exacerbation
  - Reduction in asthma symptoms such as chest tightness, coughing, shortness of breath or nocturnal awakenings
- Member is currently being treated with **ONE** of the following unless there is a contraindication or intolerance to these medications:
  - Medium to high-dose inhaled corticosteroid (ICS) (e.g., greater than 500 mcg fluticasone propionate equivalent/day) **AND** an additional asthma controller medication (e.g., leukotriene receptor antagonist, long-acting beta-2 agonist (LABA), theophylline)
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**DIAGNOSIS: Chronic Idiopathic Urticaria.**

**Initial Authorization: 12 months.** 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.

**Recommended Dosage: 150 mg or 300 mg by subcutaneous injection every 4 weeks**

- Prescribed by or in consultation with an allergist or pulmonologist
- Member is > 12 years of age
- Member has had a confirmed diagnosis of chronic idiopathic urticaria for at least 6 weeks with or without angioedema
- Member has failed **ONE** (1) of the following H1 antihistamines at 4 times the initial dose for at least 4 weeks:

<input type="checkbox"/> Levocetirizine 10 mg – 20 mg QD	<input type="checkbox"/> Desloratidine 10 – 20 mg QD	<input type="checkbox"/> Fexofenadine 120 mg – 240 mg BID
<input type="checkbox"/> Cetirizine 20 mg – 40 mg QD	<input type="checkbox"/> Loratadine 20 mg – 40 mg QD	

- Member has remained symptomatic despite treatment with **ALL** of the following therapies (**verified by pharmacy paid claims**):
  - Hydroxyzine 10 mg – 25 mg taken daily
  - Leukotriene Antagonist for at least 4 weeks (e.g., montelukast, zafirlukast)
  - H2 antihistamine, for treatment of acute exacerbations, for at least 5 days (e.g., famotidine, cimetidine)

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**❑ Diagnosis: Chronic Idiopathic Urticaria**

**Reauthorization: 12 months.** 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.

- ❑ Member’s disease status has been re-evaluated since the last authorization to confirm the member’s condition warrants continued treatment **(chart notes must be submitted for documentation)**
- ❑ Provider has submitted chart notes documenting the member’s symptoms have improved (e.g., a decrease in the number of hives, a decrease in the size of hives, and improvement of itching)
- ❑ Symptoms returned when the Xolair® dose was tapered or withheld beyond the next dosing interval **(chart notes must be submitted for documentation supporting tapering of dose and/or withholding of therapy beyond the next dosing interval to see if symptoms return)**

**❑ DIAGNOSIS: Chronic Rhinosinusitis with Nasal Polyps (CRSwNP)**

**Initial Authorization: 12 months.** 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.

**Recommended Dosage:**

Pretreatment Serum IgE (IU/mL)	Dosing Freq.	Bodyweight								
		>30-40 kg	>40-50 kg	>50-60 kg	>60-70 kg	>70-80 kg	>80-90 kg	>90-125 kg	> 125-150 kg	
		Dose (mg)								
30 - 100	Every 4 Weeks	75	150	150	150	150	150	300	300	
>100 - 200		150	300	300	300	300	300	450	600	
>200 - 300		225	300	300	450	450	450	600	375	
>300 - 400		300	450	450	450	600	600	450	525	
>400 - 500		450	450	600	600	375	375	525	600	
>500 - 600		450	600	600	375	450	450	600		
>600 - 700		450	600	375	450	450	525			
>700 - 800	Every 2 Weeks	300	375	450	450	525	600			
>800 - 900		300	375	450	525	600				
>900 - 1000		375	450	525	600					
>1000 - 1100		375	450	600						
>1100 - 1200		450	525	600	Insufficient Data to Recommend a Dose					
>1200 - 1300		450	525							
>1300 - 1500		525	600							

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- Prescribed by or in consultation with an allergist, immunologist or otolaryngologist
- Pre-treatment IgE level of 30-1500: \_\_\_\_\_ Test Date: \_\_\_\_\_
- Member is 18 years of age or older
- Member has a **diagnosis of CRSwNP** confirmed by the American Academy of Otolaryngology- Head and Neck Surgery Clinical Practice Guideline (Update): Adult Sinusitis (AAO-HNSF 2015)/American Academy of Allergy Asthma & Immunology (AAAAI) with **ONE** of the following clinical procedures:
  - Anterior rhinoscopy
  - Nasal endoscopy
  - Computed tomography (CT)
- Documented diagnosis of chronic rhinosinusitis defined by at least 12 weeks of the following (**chart notes must be submitted**):
  - Mucosal inflammation **AND** at least two of the following:
    - Decreased sense of smell
    - Facial pressure, pain, fullness
    - Mucopurulent drainage
    - Nasal obstruction
- Member is currently being treated with medications in at least **two** of the following categories unless there is a contraindication or intolerance to these medications and **must** be compliant on therapy **for at least 90 consecutive days** within a year of request (**chart notes documenting contraindication(s) or intolerance must be attached; trials will be verified using pharmacy claims and/or submitted chart notes**):
  - Nasal saline irrigation
  - Intranasal corticosteroids (e.g., fluticasone, budesonide, triamcinolone)
  - Leukotriene receptor antagonists (e.g., montelukast, zafirlukast, zileuton)
- Member is refractory, ineligible or intolerant to **ONE** of the following:
  - Systemic corticosteroids
  - Sino-nasal surgery
- Member is requesting Xolair<sup>®</sup> (omalizumab) as add-on therapy to maintenance intranasal corticosteroids
- Member has had an unsuccessful 6-month trial of Dupixent<sup>®</sup> (dupilumab) **OR** Nucala<sup>®</sup> (mepolizumab) (**verified by pharmacy paid claims**)

**Chronic Rhinosinusitis with Nasal Polyps (CRSwNP)**

**Reauthorization: 12 months.** 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.

- Member has experienced a positive clinical response to Xolair<sup>®</sup> therapy (e.g., reduced nasal polyp size, improved nasal congestion, reduced sinus opacification, decreased sino-nasal symptoms, improved sense of smell) (**please submit chart notes**)

- ❑ Member has decreased utilization of oral corticosteroids (**verified by pharmacy paid claims**)
- ❑ Member has been compliant on Xolair<sup>®</sup> therapy and continues to receive therapy with an intranasal corticosteroid (**verified by pharmacy paid claims**)

**Medication being provided by a Specialty Pharmacy - PropriumRx**

***\*\*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.\****