

# AvMed

## MEDICAL 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 1-877-535-1391**. No additional phone calls will be necessary if all information (including phone and fax #s) on this form is correct. **If information provided is not complete, correct, or legible, authorization can be delayed.**

**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: <https://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/overview-and-quick-search.aspx>. Additional indications may be covered at the discretion of the health plan.

**Drug Requested:** Abecma<sup>®</sup> (idecabtagene vicleucel) IV (Q2055) (Medical)

**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: \_\_\_\_\_

NPI #: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

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

Weight (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ Date weight obtained: \_\_\_\_\_

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.

**A. Quantity Limit (max daily dose) [NDC Unit]:**

- 1 dose of up to 510 million autologous CAR-positive viable T-cells (supplied as an infusion bag in a metal cassette)

**B. Max Units (per dose and over time) [HCPCS Unit]:**

- 1 dose of up to 510 million autologous CAR-positive viable T-cells

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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.

- Member is 18 years of age or older
- Provider is an oncologist and the administrating healthcare facility has enrolled in the ABECMA REMS Program and training has been given to providers on the management of cytokine release syndrome (CRS) and neurological toxicities
- Member has **NOT** received prior CAR-T therapy
- Member does **NOT** have a clinically significant active systemic infection or inflammatory disorder
- Member has **NOT** received live vaccines within 6 weeks prior to the start of lymphodepleting chemotherapy, during treatment, and will not receive live vaccines until immune recovery following treatment
- Member has been screened for cytomegalovirus (CMV), hepatitis B virus (HBV), hepatitis C virus (HCV), and human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) in accordance with clinical guidelines prior to collection of cells (leukapheresis)
- Prophylaxis for infection has been followed according to local guidelines or clinical practice
- Provider attests Abcema<sup>®</sup> will be used as single agent therapy (not applicable to lymphodepleting or additional chemotherapy while awaiting manufacture)
- Member does **NOT** have known central nervous system involvement, including a history or presence of clinically relevant pathology, with myeloma
- Member does **NOT** have active or a history of plasma cell leukemia
- Member has an ECOG performance status of 0-1
- Member has a diagnosis of relapsed or refractory multiple myeloma
- Member must have received 2 or more prior lines of therapy including a proteasome inhibitor (e.g., bortezomib), immunomodulatory agent (e.g., lenalidomide, thalidomide) **AND** an anti-CD38 antibody (e.g., daratumumab, isatuximab)

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**Reauthorization: Coverage cannot be renewed**

**Medication being provided by: Please check applicable box below.**

- Location/site of drug administration: \_\_\_\_\_  
NPI or DEA # of administering location: \_\_\_\_\_

**OR**

- Specialty Pharmacy – Proprium Rx

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 Health Plan'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.\****