

PREFERRED SPECIALTY MANAGEMENT POLICY

Policy:

Inflammatory Conditions – Adalimumab Products Preferred Specialty Management Policy for National Preferred Formularies – **Choice**

- Abrilada[™] (adalimumab-afzb subcutaneous injection Pfizer)
- adalimumab-aacf subcutaneous injection (Fresenius Kabi)
- adalimumab-adaz subcutaneous injection (Sandoz/Novartis)
- adalimumab-adbm subcutaneous injection (Boehringer Ingelheim)
- adalimumab-fkjp subcutaneous injection (Mylan)
- Amjevita[™] (adalimumab-atto subcutaneous injection Amgen)
- Cyltezo® (adalimumab-adbm subcutaneous injection Boehringer Ingelheim)
- Hadlima[™] (adalimumab-bwwd subcutaneous injection Organon/Samsung Bioepis)
- Hulio® (adalimumab-fkjp subcutaneous injection Mylan)
- Humira® (adalimumab subcutaneous injection AbbVie, Cordavis)
- Hyrimoz[®] (adalimumab-adaz subcutaneous injection Sandoz/Novartis, Cordavis)
- Idacio® (adalimumab-aacf subcutaneous injection Fresenius Kabi)
- Yuflyma® (adalimumab-aaty subcutaneous injection Celltrion)
- Yusimry[™] (adalimumab-aqvh subcutaneous injection Coherus)

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OVERVIEW

Adalimumab products are indicated for the treatment of a variety of inflammatory conditions. Multiple adalimumab products were approved as biosimilar to Humira, indicating no clinically meaningful differences in safety and effectiveness and the same mechanism of action, route of administration, dosage form, and strength as Humira. However, minor differences in clinically inactive components are allowed. There are unbranded versions of Cyltezo, Hulio, Hyrimoz, and Idacio which are identically formulated and packaged by the same manufacturer as the corresponding branded biosimilar.

POLICY STATEMENT

This Preferred Specialty Management program has been developed to encourage the use of Preferred Products. For all products (Preferred and Non-Preferred), the patient is required to meet the standard *Inflammatory Conditions – Adalimumab Products Prior Authorization Policy* criteria. This program also directs the patient to try ALL of the Preferred Products prior to the approval of a Non-Preferred Product. Requests for Non-Preferred Products will also be reviewed using the exception criteria (below). All approvals are provided for the duration noted in the standard *Inflammatory Conditions – Adalimumab Products Prior Authorization Policy*. If the patient meets the standard *Prior Authorization Policy* criteria but has not tried a Preferred Product, approval for the Preferred Products will be authorized.

Preferred and Non-Preferred Products.

Preferred Products	 Cyltezo/adalimumab-adbm Humira (NDCs starting with 00074) Hyrimoz (NDCs starting with 61314)/adalimumab-adaz
Non-Preferred Products (directed to ALL Preferred Products) [documentation required]*	Abrilada adalimumab-aacf adalimumab-fkjp Amjevita Hadlima Hulio Humira (NDCs starting with 83457) – directed to Preferred NDCs of Humira Hyrimoz (NDCs starting with 83457) – directed to Preferred NDCs of Hyrimoz or adalimumab-adaz Idacio Yuflyma Yusimry

Inflammatory Conditions – Adalimumab non-preferred product(s) is(are) covered as medically necessary when the following non-preferred product exception criteria is(are) met. Any other exception is considered not medically necessary.

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Non-Preferred	Exception Criteria			
Abrilada adalimumab- aacf adalimumab- fkjp Amjevita Hadlima Hulio Idacio Yuflyma Yusimry	 Approve if the patient meets both of the following (A and B): A) Patient meets the standard Inflammatory Conditions – Adalimumab Products Prior Authorization Policy criteria; AND B) Patient meets ALL of the following (i, ii, and iii): Patient is currently taking the requested adalimumab product for ≥ 120 days; AND Patient has tried ALL of Cyltezo/adalimumabadbm, Humira, and Hyrimoz/adalimumabaddz [documentation required]; AND Patient cannot continue to use ALL Preferred medications (i.e., Cyltezo/adalimumabadbm, Humira, and Hyrimoz/adalimumabadbm, Humira, and Hyrimoz/adalimumabaddz) due to formulation differences in the inactive ingredient(s) [e.g., differences in stabilizing agent, buffering agent, and/or surfactant] which, according to the prescriber, would result in a significant allergy or serious adverse reaction [documentation required].			
Humira (NDCs starting with 83457)	Humira (NDCs starting with 83457) are not approved. Offer to review for Humira (NDCs starting with 00074) using the Inflammatory Conditions – Adalimumab Products Prior Authorization Policy criteria.			
Hyrimoz (NDCs starting with 83457)	Hyrimoz (NDCs starting with 83457) are not approved. Offer to review for Hyrimoz (NDCs starting with 61314) or adalimumab-adaz using the <i>Inflammatory Conditions – Adalimumab Products Prior Authorization Policy</i> criteria.			

REFERENCES

- 1. Abrilada™ subcutaneous injection [prescribing information]. New York, NY: Pfizer; October 2023.
- 2. Amjevita[™] subcutaneous injection [prescribing information]. Thousand Oaks, CA: Amgen; July 2023.
- 3. Cyltezo® subcutaneous injection [prescribing information]. Ridgefield, CT: Boehringer Ingelheim; June 2023.
- 4. Hadlima™ subcutaneous injection [prescribing information]. Jersey City, NJ: Organon/Samsung Bioepis; July 2023.
- 5. Humira® subcutaneous injection [prescribing information]. North Chicago, IL: AbbVie; November 2023.
- 6. Hulio® subcutaneous injection [prescribing information]. Morgantown, WV: Mylan; August 2023.
- 7. Hyrimoz® subcutaneous injection [prescribing information]. Princeton, NJ: Sandoz/Novartis; September 2023.
- 8. Idacio® subcutaneous injection [prescribing information]. Lake Zurich, IL: Fresenius Kabi; October 2023.
- 9. Yuflyma® subcutaneous injection [prescribing information]. Jersey City, NJ: Celltrion; September 2023.
- 10. Yusimry[™] subcutaneous injection [prescribing information]. Redwood City, CA: Coherus; September 2023.

HISTORY

Type of	Summary of Changes	Review
Revision		Date
New Policy	Effective 01/01/2024.	11/22/2023
Selected	Effective 03/01/2024	01/24/2024
Revision	Adalimumab-aacf was added as Non-Preferred.	
Selected	Effective 04/01/2024	02/28/2024
Revision	It was clarified that the Preferred Humira Product is specific for NDCs	
	starting with 00074. Additionally, Humira (NDCs starting with	
	83457) were added to Non-Preferred. Requests for Humira (NDCs	
	starting with 83457) are directed to review for the Preferred	
	formulation of Humira (NDCs starting with 00074).	

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