

MEDICARE ADVANTAGE PRIOR AUTHORIZATION REQUEST FORM BlueCross[®] BlueShield[®] of South Carolina

Patient Information	
Name:	Insurance ID #:
Address:	Birthdate:

Provider Information	
Physician's Name:	Physician DEA #:
Phone:	Fax:
Office Address:	
Diagnosis:	ICD-9 Code:

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1. Does the patient require more than 90 days of therapy?
[If the answer to this question is no, no prior authorization is required for up to 90 days of therapy per 365 days.] Y N
2. Does the patient have a diagnosis of Barrett's esophagus as confirmed by biopsy?
[If the answer to this question is yes, no further questions are required.] Y N
3. Does the patient have the diagnosis of hypersecretory syndrome, such as Zollinger-Ellison syndrome, confirmed with a diagnostic test (for tech clarification only, examples might be: fasting serum gastrin, basal one-hour acid output, secretin stimulation test)?
[If the answer to question is yes, no further questions are required.] Y N
4. Does the patient have the diagnosis of endoscopically verified peptic ulcer disease (duodenal or gastric)?
[If the answer to this question is yes, no further questions are required.] Y N
5. Does the patient require chronic NSAID therapy?
[If the answer to this question is no, skip to question 7.] Y N

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6. Is the patient at high risk for GI adverse events?
(Risk factors for serious GI adverse events include, but are not limited to, the following: history of peptic ulcer disease and/or gastrointestinal bleeding, treatment with oral corticosteroids, treatment with anticoagulants, poor general health status or advanced age.) Y N
[If the answer to this question is yes, no further questions are required.]
7. Does the patient have the diagnosis of chronic gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD)? Y N
[If the answer to this question is no, no further questions are required.]
8. Does the patient have frequent and severe symptoms of GERD (for tech clarification only, examples might be: heartburn, regurgitation)? Y N
[If the answer to this question is yes, no further questions are required.]
9. Does the patient have atypical symptoms or complications of GERD? Y N
[If the answer to question is yes, no further questions are required.]
10. Were the patient's symptoms inadequately controlled with the histamine2-receptor antagonist (H2RA) (e.g., Pepcid, Zantac, tagamet, Axid)? Y N

Comments: _____

Information on this form is accurate as of the date below.

Prescriber's Signature:	Date:
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