

Requirements changing for some medical benefit drugs for Medicare Advantage members

We're adding and changing requirements for some drugs covered under members' medical benefits. This applies to Medicare Plus Blue and BCN Advantage members.

Keep reading for the information you'll need.

Prior authorization to be required for two more drugs starting March 1

For dates of service on or after March 1, 2024, the following drugs will require prior authorization:

- Adzynma (ADAMTS13, recombinant-krhn), HCPCS code J3590
- Wainua™ (eplontersen), HCPCS code J3490

Submit prior authorization requests through the NovoLogix® online tool.

Step therapy requirements to change for some drugs

Providers who request prior authorization for Soliris®, Ultomiris® or Zilbrysq® for the diagnosis of myasthenia gravis will need to show that the member has first tried and failed other drugs, as follows.

Drug (s)	New requirement	Effective date
Zilbrysq (zilucoplan), HCPCS code J3490	Prior authorization	For dates of service on or after Feb. 12, 2024 ⁽¹⁾
	Try and fail one of these drugs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vyvgart® (efgartigimod), HCPCS code J9332 • Vyvgart® Hytrulo (efgartigimod alfa and hyaluronidase-qvfc), HCPCS code J9334 	For dates of service on or after Feb. 12, 2024 ⁽²⁾
	Do both of these things, in no specific order: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Try and fail one of these drugs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Vyvgart (efgartigimod), HCPCS code J9332 ○ Vyvgart Hytrulo (efgartigimod alfa and hyaluronidase-qvfc), HCPCS code J9334 • Try and fail Rystiggo® (rozanolixizumab-noli), HCPCS code J9333 	For dates of service on or after April 1, 2024

Drug (s)	New requirement	Effective date
Soliris (eculizumab), J1300 and Ultomiris (ravulizumab- cwvz), J1303	Try and fail one of these drugs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vyvgart (efgartigimod), HCPCS code J9332 Vyvgart Hytrulo (efgartigimod alfa and hyaluronidase-qvfc), HCPCS code J9334 	For dates of service on or after March 1, 2024 ⁽³⁾
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⁽¹⁾Refer to the [Nov. 13, 2023, provider alert](#).

⁽²⁾Refer to the [Medical Drug and Step Therapy Prior Authorization List for Medicare Plus Blue and BCN Advantage members](#) published in January 2024.

⁽³⁾Refer to the [Dec. 4, 2023, provider alert](#).

Soliris and Ultomiris already require prior authorization.

When prior authorization is required

These drugs will require prior authorization when they are administered by a health care provider in sites of care such as outpatient facilities or physician offices and are billed in one of the following ways:

- Electronically through an 837P transaction or on a professional CMS-1500 claim form
- Electronically through an 837I transaction or using the UB04 claim form for a hospital outpatient type of bill 013x

Submit prior authorization requests through the NovoLogix tool

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Note: If you need to request access to Availity®, follow the instructions on the [Register for web tools](#) webpage at bcbsm.com/providers.

List of requirements

For a list of requirements related to drugs covered under the medical benefit, see the [Medical Drug and Step Therapy Prior Authorization List for Medicare Plus Blue and BCN Advantage members](#).



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