

## Step therapy requirements added for Soliris, Ultomiris and Simponi Aria for Medicare Advantage members starting Feb. 3

For dates of service on or after Feb. 3, 2025, providers will have to show that our Medicare Plus Blue and BCN Advantage members have tried and failed certain drugs when requesting prior authorization for the following drugs:

- Soliris<sup>®</sup> (eculizumab), HCPCS code J1300
- Ultomiris<sup>®</sup> (ravulizumab-cwvz), HCPCS code J1303
- Simponi Aria<sup>®</sup> (golimumab), HCPCS code J1602

Refer to the table below for the step therapy requirements.

Drug(s)	Diagnosis	Step therapy requirements	Preferred products that don't require prior authorization
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Soliris</li> <li>• Ultomiris</li> </ul>	Myasthenia gravis	Trial and failure of <b>rituximab</b>  <b>Important:</b> This new requirement is in addition to the requirements announced in the <a href="#">Jan. 10, 2024, provider alert</a> .	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ruxience<sup>®</sup> (rituximab-pvvr), HCPCS code Q5119</li> <li>• Riabni<sup>®</sup> (rituximab-arrx), HCPCS code Q5123 — for dates of service on or after Jan. 1, 2025</li> </ul>
Simponi Aria	All	Trial and failure of <b>infliximab</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Renflexis<sup>®</sup> (infliximab-abda), HCPCS code Q5104</li> <li>• Avsola<sup>®</sup> (infliximab-axxq), HCPCS code Q5121</li> </ul>

Submit prior authorization requests through the NovoLogix<sup>®</sup> online tool when these drugs will be billed as a medical benefit.

### When prior authorization is required

These drugs require prior authorization, as applicable, 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

### How to access NovoLogix

To access NovoLogix, log in to our provider portal ([availability.com](https://availability.com)\*), click *Payer Spaces* in the menu bar and then click the BCBSM and BCN logo. You'll find links to the NovoLogix tools on the Applications tab.

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

We'll update this list prior to the effective date.

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