

Niktimvo to require prior authorization for Blue Cross commercial URMBT members starting Dec. 10

For dates of service on or after Dec. 10, 2025, the following drug will require prior authorization through the Medical and Pharmacy Drug PA Portal for Blue Cross commercial UAW Retiree Medical Benefits Trust members:

- Niktimvo™ (axatilimab-csfr), HCPCS J9038

Note: The requirement doesn't apply to the UAW Retiree Health Care Trust (group number 70605) or the UAW International Union (group number 71714).

How to submit authorization requests

To submit requests, log in to our provider portal (availability.com*), click on Payer Spaces and then click on the BCBSM and BCN logo. This takes you to the Blue Cross and BCN payer space where you'll click the *Medical and Pharmacy Benefit Drug Prior Auth* tile.

Note: If you need to request access to our provider portal, see the [Register for Web Tools](#) webpage on **bcbsm.com**.

More about requirements for medical benefit drugs

For additional information on requirements related to drugs covered under the medical benefit for URMBT members with Blue Cross non-Medicare plans, see:

- [Medical Drug Management with Blue Cross for UAW Retiree Medical Benefits Trust PPO non-Medicare members](#)
- [Oncology Value Management program prior authorization list for UAW Retiree Medical Benefits Trust PPO non-Medicare members](#)

We'll update the pertinent drug lists to reflect the information in this message prior to the effective date.

As a reminder, prior authorization isn't a guarantee of payment. Health care providers need to verify eligibility and benefits for members.

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