

## Blenrep to require prior authorization for Blue Cross commercial URMBS members starting Oct. 7

For dates of service on or after Oct. 7, 2026, the following drug will require prior authorization through Carelon Medical Benefits Management for Blue Cross commercial UAW Retiree Medical Benefits Trust members:

- Blenrep (belantamab mafodotin-blmf), HCPCS code J9053

Submit requests as indicated above when this drug will be billed as a medical benefit.

The requirement will apply only when this drug is administered in an outpatient setting.

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

Submit prior authorization requests to Carelon by clicking the *Carelon ProviderPortal* tile in the Applications tab within our payer space ([learn how to access our provider portal payer space](#)).

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 URMBS members with Blue Cross non-Medicare plans, see:

- [Medical oncology prior authorization list for UAW Retiree Medical Benefits Trust PPO non-Medicare members](#)
- [Medical Drug Management with Blue Cross 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. Healthcare providers need to verify eligibility and benefits for members.

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