



Banner
University Family Care

**Banner – University Family Care (ACC and ALTCS Plans)
Step Therapy Requirements for Medications**

Step Therapy will be required for the medications listed in the table below effective **5/15/2024**, provided the following are met:

- The requested product meets the definition of a step therapy drug; **AND**
- The proposed use of the requested product has been determined to be a medically accepted indication; **AND**
- The proposed use of the preferred alternative agent has been determined to be a medically accepted indication; **AND**
- The proposed use of the preferred alternative agent will be limited to new starts (365-day lookback period); **AND**
- The dose, frequency, and duration of use may not exceed the safety and efficacy data supporting the medically accepted indication

Class	Requested Product	Preferred Alternative Agent(s) ¹
Erythropoiesis-Stimulating Agents	Mircera (J0887) Aranesp (J0881)	Retacrit (Q5106) Procrit (J0885) Epogen (J0885)
Bone resorption inhibitors	Xgeva (J0897) (Only oncology indications)	Zoledronic Acid (J3489) NAN²
Colony-stimulating factors – leukocyte growth factors (short-acting)	Neupogen (J1442) Granix (J1447) Leukine (J2820) Zarxio (Q5101) Releuko (Q5125)	Nivestym (Q5110)
Colony Stimulating Factors -Leukocyte Growth Factors (long-acting)	Rolvedon (J1449) Neulasta and Neulasta Onpro(J2506) Stimufend (Q5127) Fulphila (Q5108) Nyvepria (Q5122) Udenyca (Q5111)	Ziextenzo (Q5120) Fylnetra (Q5130) Nivestym (Q5110)

Immunomodulators	Avsola (Q5121)	Infliximab (J1745) Inflectra (Q5103) Remicade, Generic Preferred (J1745) Renflexis (Q5104)
Viscosupplements	Durolane (J7318) Gel-One (J7326) Gelsyn3 (J7328) Genvisc 850 (J7320) Hyalgan (J7321) Hymovis (J7322) Monovisc (J7327) Orthovisc (J7324) Supartz & Supartz FX (J7321) Synojoynt (J3490) Synvisc & Synvisc- One (J7325) Triluron (J7332) TriVisc (J7329) Visco-3 (J7321)	Euflexxa (J7323)
Trastuzumab / Trastuzumab and hyaluronidase-oysk	Herceptin (J9355) Herceptin Hylecta (J9356) Ontruzant (Q5112)	Herzuma (Q5113) Kanjinti (Q5117) Ogivri (Q5114) Trazimera (Q5116)
Rituximab / Rituximab and hyaluronidase	Riabni (Q5123)	Ruxience (Q5119) Truxima (Q5115) Rituxan (J9312)
Immunological Agents	Immune Globulin (asceniv) (J1554) Immune Globulin SQ (Cuvitru) (J1555) Immune Globulin (Gammaplex) (J1557) Gamma Globulin (GamaStan) (J1460) Immune Globulin NOS non-lyophilized (J1599) Immune Globulin (Vivaglobin) (J1562)	Immune Globulin (Flebogamma/Flebogamma Dif) (J1572) or Gamma Globulin (Gammunex, Gammaked) (J1560) or Immune Globulin (Gamunex/Gamunex-C/Gammaked) (J1561) or Immune Globulin NOS powder (J1566) or Immune Globulin (Gammagard Liquid) (J1569) or Immune Globulin (Hizentra) (J1559) or Immune Globulin (Privigen) (J1459) or Immune Globulin (Bivigam) (J1556) or Immune Globulin (Octagam) (J1568) or Immune Globulin (Xembify) (J1558)

Oncology (Avastin)	Zirabev (Q5118) or AlmSYS (Q5126) or Vegzelma (Q5129)	Avastin (J9035) NAN ² Mvasi (Q5107)
Ophthalmic (Avastin)	Beovu (J0179) Byooviz (Q5124) Cimerli (Q5128) Eylea (J0178) Lucentis (J2778) Susvimo (J2779) Vabysmo (J2777)	Avastin (J7999) NAN ²
Iron Supplements	Feraheme (Q0138) Injectafer (J1439)	Ferrlecit (J2916) NAN ² or Infed (J1750) NAN ² or Venofer (J1756) NAN ²

1. Prior Authorization is required for all medications listed unless it states NAN

2. NAN = No Prior Authorization is needed

References

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