SENTARA COMMUNITY PLAN
(MEDICAID)

PHARMACY PRIOR AUTHORIZATION/STEP-EDIT REQUEST*

Directions: **The prescribing physician must sign and clearly print name (preprinted stamps not valid) on this request**. All other information may be filled in by office staff; **fax to 1-800-750-9692**. No additional phone calls will be necessary if all information (including phone and fax #s) on this form is correct. **If the information provided is not complete, correct, or legible, the authorization process can be delayed.**

Drug Requested: (Select drug below)

❑ **deferiprone** (Ferriprox®) tablets, solution	❑ **Ferriprox®** (deferiprone) tablets, solution
❑ **Exjade®** (deferasirox)	❑ **Jadenu®** (deferasirox) (tablets, Sprinkles)

MEMBER & PRESCRIBER INFORMATION: Authorization may be delayed if incomplete.

Member Name: _____

Member Sentara #: _____ **Date of Birth:** _____

Prescriber Name: _____

Prescriber Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Office Contact Name: _____

Phone Number: _____ **Fax Number:** _____

DEA OR NPI #: _____

DRUG INFORMATION: Authorization may be delayed if incomplete.

Drug Form/Strength: _____

Dosing Schedule: _____ **Length of Therapy**: _____

Diagnosis: _____ **ICD Code, if applicable:** _____

Weight: _____ **Date:** _____

Quantity Limits: Maximum 99mg/kg/day (actual body weight) in two divided doses

CLINICAL CRITERIA: Check below all that apply. All criteria must be met for approval. To support each line checked, all documentation, including lab results, diagnostics, and/or chart notes, must be provided or request may be denied.

❑ **Diagnosis: Transfusional hemosiderosis due to thalassemia syndrome**

Initial Authorization: 6 months

- ❑ Member is 2 years of age or older

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- ❑ Member has a diagnosis of transfusional hemosiderosis due to thalassemia syndrome (i.e. transfusion of ≥100 mL/kg of packed red blood cells, approximately 20 units for a 40 kg patient)
- ❑ Member's serum ferritin levels are consistently >1,000 mcg/L **(submit serum ferritin labs done within the last 30 days)**
- ❑ Member's current weight: _____
- ❑ Baseline absolute neutrophil count (ANC) is > 1.5×10^9/L and ANC will continue to be monitored weekly while on therapy **(submit current labs)**
- ❑ If requesting brand Ferriprox, documentation of trial and intolerable life-endangering adverse event with generic deferiprone must be submitted
- ❑ Ferriprox solution may be approved for members aged 3-10 years only. If requesting Ferriprox solution for members ≥ 11 years of age, documentation that member is unable to ingest any solid dosage form must be submitted
- ❑ If requesting brand Jadenu or Exjade, documentation of trial and intolerable life-endangering adverse event with generic deferasirox must be submitted

❑ Diagnosis: Transfusional hemosiderosis due to thalassemia syndrome

Reauthorization: 12 months. Check below all that apply. All criteria must be met for approval. To support each line checked, all documentation, including lab results, diagnostics, and/or chart notes, must be provided or request may be denied.

- ❑ Member's ANC is > 1.5×10^9/L **(submit current lab results)**
- ❑ Liver iron concentration is ≤ 5 mg of Fe/g of dry weight **(submit current liver biopsy, MRI or other FDA-approved test results)**
- ❑ Treatment will be withheld if serum ferritin falls consistently below 500 mcg/L
- ❑ Serum ferritin has decreased by ≥ 20% from baseline or has been maintained at a level that is ≥ 20% below baseline level **(submit current serum ferritin labs)**

❑ Diagnosis: Transfusional iron overload in members with sickle cell disease or other anemias

Initial Authorization: 12 months

- ❑ Member is 2 years of age or older
- ❑ Member has a diagnosis of transfusional iron overload associated with sickle cell disease or other anemia diagnosis
- ❑ Baseline liver iron concentration >7 mg of Fe/g dry weight **(submit current MRI results)**
- ❑ Member has received no less than 20 transfusions of RBCs
- ❑ Baseline absolute neutrophil count (ANC) is > 1.5×10^9/L and ANC will continue to be monitored weekly while on therapy **(submit current labs)**

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❑ **Diagnosis: Transfusional iron overload in members with sickle cell disease or other anemias**

Reauthorization: 12 months. Check below all that apply. All criteria must be met for approval. To support each line checked, all documentation, including lab results, diagnostics, and/or chart notes, must be provided or request may be denied.

- ❑ Liver iron concentration has decreased by at least 4 mg of Fe/g dry weight from baseline or has been maintained at a level that is at least 4 mg of Fe/g dry weight below baseline level since last approval **(submit current MRI results)**
- ❑ Member's ANC is > 1.5×10^9/L **(submit current lab results)**
- ❑ Treatment will be withheld if serum ferritin falls consistently below 500 mcg/L

Medication being provided by Specialty Pharmacy - PropriumRx

Use of samples to initiate therapy does not meet step edit/ preauthorization criteria.

Previous therapies will be verified through pharmacy paid claims or submitted chart notes.*