

# 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 information provided is not complete, correct, or legible, authorization may be delayed.**

**Drug Requested:** adefovir dipivoxil (ADV, generic Hepsera)

**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: \_\_\_\_\_

**Recommended Dosage:** 10 mg once daily

**Quantity Limit:** 30 tablets per 30 days

**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.

**Initial Authorization: 12 months**

**Complete SECTION I and SECTION II for Initial Approval**

### SECTION I. DIAGNOSIS CRITERIA

- Prescribed by or in consultation with a specialist in gastroenterology, hepatology, infectious disease, or knowledgeable in treating patients with Hepatitis B and disease monitoring

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- ❑ Member has a diagnosis of Chronic Hepatitis B confirmed by **ALL** of the following (**applicable laboratory documentation and results from a Hepatitis B panel must be submitted**):
  - ❑ HBsAg positive or negative for at least 6 months
- There is documented evidence of active viral replication (HBeAg+ and HBV DNA > 100,000 copies/mL)
  - ❑ There is documented evidence of active liver disease as demonstrated by persistent elevation in serum alanine aminotransferase (ALT) (greater than 2 times upper limit of normal) or moderate to severe hepatitis on biopsy
- ❑ Current levels of alanine aminotransferase (ALT) and Hepatitis B DNA have been measured and meet **ONE** of the following (**must submit lab results**):
  - ❑ For serological status of HBeAntigen-positive, the alanine aminotransferase (ALT) level is found to be 2 or more times greater than the upper limit of normal, and levels of Hepatitis B DNA are greater than 20,000IU/mL
  - ❑ For serological status of HBeAntigen-negative, the alanine aminotransferase (ALT) level is found to be 2 or more times greater than the upper limit of normal, and levels of Hepatitis B DNA are greater than 2,000IU/mL

Clinical markers are outside of those listed above, but at least one patient variable exists to recommend treatment (**chart notes must be submitted to confirm patient variables**):

- ❑ Age: older age (>40 years) is associated with a higher likelihood of significant histological disease
- ❑ Family history of cirrhosis or HCC
- ❑ Previous treatment history
- ❑ Serological and virological benefits of peg-IFN occur after treatment discontinuation (delayed)
- ❑ Past nucleoside/nucleotide analogue exposure is a risk for drug resistance
- ❑ Presence of extrahepatic manifestations: indication for treatment independent of liver disease severity
- ❑ Presence of cirrhosis

## SECTION II. DRUG CRITERIA

- ❑ Member is 18 years of age or older
- ❑ Adefovir dipivoxil will not be used concurrently with tenofovir or any product containing tenofovir
- ❑ Member has an estimated creatinine clearance (CrCl)  $\geq 50$  mL/minute. If CrCl is < 50 mL/minute, dosage will be adjusted to 10 mg every 48 hours for CrCl 30-49 mL/min, or 10 mg every 72 hours for CrCl 10-29 mL/min
- ❑ Provide clinical rationale, medical necessity, pertinent past medical history, and documented previous treatments as to why adefovir must be used in lieu of the other clinically preferred treatments (**NOTE: Adefovir dipivoxil is a nonpreferred drug for the treatment of Chronic Hepatitis B according to the most current recommendations published by the American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases**):

**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 renal function has been monitored during treatment, and the most recent estimated creatinine clearance is  $\geq 50$  mL/minute. If CrCl is  $< 50$  mL/minute, dosage will be adjusted to 10 mg every 48 hours for CrCl 30-49 mL/min, or 10 mg every 72 hours for CrCl 10-29 mL/min
- Therapy discontinuation is not appropriate at this time due to **ONE** of the following:
  - Disease state/phase requires ongoing treatment (**attach most recently monitored levels of HBV DNA, ALT, HBeAg status, anti-HBe status**)
  - Seroconversion on therapy occurred, but treatment consolidation period not met (**attach most recently monitored levels of HBV DNA, ALT, HBeAg status, anti-HBe status**)

Medication being provided by a 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.\****