OPTIMA HEALTH PLAN

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 may be delayed.**

Drug Requested: Stelara® SQ (ustekinumab) **For PsA & PsO (Pharmacy) (Preferred)**

DRUG INFORMATION: Authorization may be delayed if incomplete.

Drug Form/Strength: _____

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

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

Member's Weight: _____ **kg** **Weight (within last 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. **Check the diagnosis below that applies.**

❑ Diagnosis: Active Psoriatic Arthritis

Dosing: SubQ: 45 mg at 0 and 4 weeks; then every 12 weeks thereafter. **NOTE:** When used for psoriatic arthritis, may be administered alone or in combination with methotrexate.

Coexistent psoriatic arthritis and moderate-to-severe plaque psoriasis in member's >100 kg: Initial and maintenance: 90 mg at 0 and 4 weeks; then every 12 weeks thereafter.

- ❑ Member is ≥ 6 years old and has a diagnosis of active **psoriatic arthritis**
- ❑ Prescribed by or in consultation with a **Rheumatologist**
- ❑ Member tried and failed at least **one DMARD** for at least **three (3) months** **(check each tried below):**

❑ methotrexate	❑ azathioprine	❑ hydroxychloroquine
❑ sulfasalazine	❑ leflunomide	❑ auranofin
❑ Other: _____		

❑ Diagnosis: Moderate-to-Severe Plaque Psoriasis

Dosing: SubQ: ≤100 kg: 45 mg at 0 and 4 weeks; then every 12 weeks thereafter. >100 kg: 90 mg at 0 and 4 weeks; then every 12 weeks thereafter. **NOTE:** Doses of 45 mg given to patient's >100 kg were also efficacious; however, 90 mg is the recommended dose in these patients due to greater efficacy

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- ❑ Member is ≥ 6 years old and has a diagnosis of moderate-to-severe **plaque psoriasis**
- ❑ Prescribed by or in consultation with a **Dermatologist**
- ❑ Member tried and failed at least **ONE (1)** of either **Phototherapy or Alternative Systemic Therapy** for at least **three (3) months** **(check each tried below)**:

❑ **Phototherapy:**	❑ **Alternative Systemic Therapy:**
❑ **UV Light Therapy** ❑ NB UV-B ❑ PUVA	❑ **Oral Medications** ❑ acitretin ❑ methotrexate ❑ cyclosporine

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.****

Member Name: _____

Member Optima #: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Prescriber Name: _____

Prescriber Signature: _____ Date: _____

Office Contact Name: _____

Phone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____

DEA OR NPI #: _____

***Approved by Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee:** ~~1/21/2010; 7/22/2016;~~ **9/16/2022**
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