

# SENTARA HEALTH PLANS

## 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:** Actemra<sup>®</sup> SQ (tocilizumab) (self-administered) **(Pharmacy)**  
**Systemic Sclerosis-associated Interstitial Lung Disease**

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

**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: Systemic Sclerosis-associated Interstitial Lung Disease**

**Dosing:** SubQ - 162mg once every week

**Initial Authorization: 12 months**

**All of the following criteria must be met:**

- Medication is prescribed by or in consultation with a pulmonology specialist
- Diagnosis of systemic sclerosis has been confirmed with an American College of Rheumatology (ACR)/European League Against Rheumatism (EULAR) classification criteria score  $\geq 9$
- Onset of disease (first non-Raynaud symptom) occurred  $\leq 5$  years ago

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- Member has worsening disease despite concomitant use of low-dose corticosteroids (e.g., prednisone  $\leq$  10mg/day) and stable doses of immunosuppressant therapy (e.g., mycophenolate, methotrexate, cyclophosphamide)
- Member's baseline percent forced vital capacity (%FVC) must be  $\geq$  55%
- Member's baseline percent predicted diffusing capacity of the lungs for carbon monoxide (%DLCO, corrected for hemoglobin) must be  $>$ 45%
- No concomitant use of OFEV and Esbriet

**Reauthorization Approval: 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 has experienced disease response as indicated by a reduction in the rate of decline or stabilization in forced vital capacity (%FVC) or percent predicted FVC (ppFVC) as compared to pre-treatment baseline
- Member does not have evidence of disease progression defined as an absolute decline of more than 10% in percent predicted FVC within any 12-month period

**Medication being provided by Specialty Pharmacy - PropriumRx**

*Not all drugs may be covered under every Plan*

*If a drug is non-formulary on a Plan, documentation of medical necessity will be required.*

***\*\*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.\****