



Federal Employee Program.

OPIOID DRUGS
PRIOR APPROVAL REQUEST

Send completed form to:
Service Benefit Plan
Prior Approval
P.O. Box 52080 MC 139
Phoenix, AZ 85072-2080
Attn. Clinical Services
Fax: 1-877-378-4727

Additional information is required to process your claim for prescription drugs. Please complete the patient portion, and have the prescribing physician complete the physician portion and submit this completed form.

Patient Information (required) and Provider Information (required) form with fields for Date, Patient Name, Date of Birth, Sex, Street Address, City, State, Zip, Patient ID, Provider Name, Specialty, NPI, Office Phone, Office Fax, Office Street Address, City, State, Zip, and Physician Signature.

PHYSICIAN COMPLETES

\*\*The CDC's Opioid Guideline Mobile App is designed to help providers with Morphine Milligram Equivalent (MME) calculations when prescribing opioids. The CDC app is available for free download on Google Play for Android devices and in the Apple Store for iOS devices\*\*

NOTE: Form must be completed in its entirety for processing

Table with 4 columns: Select Drug, Brand/Generic, Drug Strength, and Dosing Directions. It lists various opioid drugs under two categories: EXTENDED RELEASE (ER) OPIOIDS and IMMEDIATE RELEASE (IR) OPIOIDS.

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Table with 4 columns: Select Drug, Brand/Generic, Drug Strength, Dosing Directions. Rows include categories like IMMEDIATE RELEASE (IR) OPIOID COMBO and OPIOID POWDERS with various drug options and checkboxes for Brand/Generic.

\*\*\*Check www.fepblue.org/formulary to confirm which medication is part of the patient's benefit

\*\*\*\*Non-covered branded medications must go through prior authorization and the formulary exception process

- 1. What is the total MME per day of ALL opioids added together for the patient's current pain regimen? Please select answer below:
2. Is this medication being used to treat any of the following: pain associated with cancer or prescribed by a board-certified oncologist, pain associated with sickle cell disease, OR treatment associated with hospice, palliative, or end-of-life care?
3. Will the patient be using this medication concurrently with Lucemyra, methadone (Dolophine), or a buprenorphine medication such as Suboxone for opioid addiction?
4. Will the patient also be taking Fioricet with codeine (butalbital/APAP/caffeine/codeine) or Fiorinal with codeine (butalbital/aspirin/caffeine/codeine)?
5. Is the patient being treated for pain?
6. Does the prescriber agree to assess the patient for signs and symptoms of serotonin syndrome?

PLEASE PROCEED TO PAGE 3 FOR ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

The information provided on this form will be used to determine the provision of healthcare benefits under a U.S. federal government program, and any falsification of records may subject the provider to prosecution, either civilly or criminally, under the False Claim Acts, the False Statements Act, the mail or wire fraud statutes, or other federal or state laws prohibiting such falsification. Prescriber Certification: I certify all information provided on this form to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that the insurer may request a medical record if the information provided herein is not sufficient to make a benefit determination or requires clarification and I agree to provide any such information to the insurer. Opioids - FEP MD Fax Form Revised 1/16/2024



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7. Does the prescriber agree to participate in the \*Opioid Analgesic REMS program AND to monitor for abuse, misuse, addiction, and overdose and discontinue if necessary? [ ]Yes [ ]No

\*Opioid Analgesic REMS Program: https://opioidanalgesicrems.com

8. Does the prescriber agree to evaluate the patient's response to therapy before changing dose or adding additional opioid medications? [ ]Yes [ ]No

9. Will the patient be using this medication in combination with alprazolam (Xanax), clonazepam (Klonopin), diazepam (Valium), or lorazepam (Ativan)? [ ]Yes [ ]No

10. Will the patient be using this medication in combination with oxazepam (Serax), chlordiazepoxide (Librium), or clorazepate dipotassium (Tranxene)? [ ]Yes [ ]No

11. Has the patient received opioid therapy within the past 180 days? Please select answer below:

[ ]Yes: Does the prescriber agree to continue to assess the patient for the benefits of pain control, for example, by implementing a care plan, monitoring for signs of misuse/abuse using standard lab screening (i.e., urine, blood) and evaluating severity of pain after three months of therapy? [ ]Yes [ ]No

[ ]No: Please answer the following questions:

a. Have alternative treatments, including non-opioid analgesics and opioid immediate-release analgesics, been ineffective, not tolerated, or inadequate at controlling the patient's pain? [ ]Yes [ ]No

b. Does the prescriber agree to assess the patient for the benefits of pain control, for example, by implementing a care plan, monitoring for signs of misuse/abuse using standard lab screening (i.e., urine, blood) and evaluating severity of pain after three months of therapy? [ ]Yes [ ]No

c. Age 18 or Older: In the past 180 days, has the patient been on an immediate release or extended release opioid OR have filled an initial 7-day supply of ANY immediate release opioid (this may include the requested medication)? [ ]Yes [ ]No

12. Age 17 or younger: In the last 180 days, has the patient filled at least a 3-day supply of ANY opioid (this may include the requested medication)? [ ]Yes [ ]No

13. Age 18 or Older: Has the patient filled at least a 10-day supply or more of ANY immediate release (IR) opioid in the last 180 days OR is switching from another long-acting (ER) opioid? [ ]Yes [ ]No

14. Duragesic (Fentanyl) Patch Request: Please answer the following questions:

a. Is the requested dosing regimen every 48 hours, with a total Duragesic dose less than or equal to 62.5 mcg? [ ]Yes\* [ ]No
\*If YES, has the patient experienced failure, side effects, or inadequate pain control at a higher (mg) patch every 72 hours than the one being requested now? [ ]Yes [ ]No

b. Is the patient using multiple strengths? [ ]Yes [ ]No

c. How often is the patient changing this patch? Please select answer below:

[ ]Daily (every 24 hours/QD) [ ]Every other day (every 48 hours/QOD) [ ]Every 3 days (every 72 hours/Q 72 H)

[ ]Other (please specify frequency): \_\_\_\_\_



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Message:

Attached is a Prior Authorization request form.

For your convenience, there are 3 ways to complete a Prior Authorization request:

<p><b>Electronically Online</b> (ePA) Results in 2-3 minutes <b>FASTEST AND EASIEST</b></p>	<p>Now you can get responses to drug Prior Authorization requests <b>securely</b> online. <b>Online</b> submissions may receive <b>instant</b> responses and do not require faxing or phone calls. Requests can be made 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. For more information on electronic prior authorization (ePA) and to register, go to <b>Caremark.com/ePA.</b></p>
<p><b>Phone</b> (4-5 minutes for response)</p>	<p>The FEP Clinical Call Center can be reached at <b>(877)-727-3784</b> between the hours of 7AM-9PM Eastern Time. A live representative will assist with the Prior Authorization, asking for the same information contained on the attached form. Please review the form and have your answers ready for faster service. The process over the phone takes on average between 4 and 5 minutes.</p>
<p><b>Fax</b> (3-5 days for response)</p>	<p>Fax the attached form to <b>(877)-378-4727</b>. Requests sent via fax will be processed and responded to within 5 business days. The form must be filled out completely, if there is any missing information the Prior Authorization request cannot be processed. <b><u>Please only fax the completed form once as duplicate submissions may delay processing times.</u></b></p>

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