REQUEST FOR MEDICARE DRUG COVERAGE DETERMINATION

Use this form to ask our plan for a coverage determination. You can also ask for a coverage determination by phone at **1-800-366-2906**. TTY users call **1-800-627-3529** or **711**. These calls are free. Hours are: October 1 – March 31, 7 days a week, 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.; April 1 – September 30, Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. Or, visit our website at **www.primewest.org/pwshc**. You, your doctor or prescriber, or your authorized representative can make this request.

Plan Enrollee

Name	Date of birth
Street address	City
State	ZIP
Phone	Member ID #

If the person making this request isn't the plan enrollee or prescriber:

Requestor's name
Relationship to plan enrollee
Street address (include City, State and ZIP)
Phone
☐ Submit documentation with this form showing your authority to represent the enrollee (a completed Appointment of Representation Form CMS-1696 or equivalent). For more information on appointing a representative, contact our plan or call **1-800-MEDICARE**. (**1-800-633-4227**). TTY users can call **1-877-486-2048**.

Name of drug this request is about (include dosage and quantity information if available)

Type of Request

☐ My drug plan charged me a higher copay for a drug than it should have

☐ I want to be reimbursed for a covered drug I already paid for out of pocket

☐ I'm asking for prior authorization for a prescribed drug (this request may require supporting information)

For the types of requests listed below, your prescriber MUST provide a statement supporting the request. Your prescriber can complete pages 3 – 5 of this form, "Supporting Information for an Exception Request or Prior Authorization."

☐I need a drug that's not on the plan's list of covered drugs (formulary exception)

☐ I've been using a drug that was on the plan's list of covered drugs before, but has been or will be removed during the plan year (formulary exception)

☐ I'm asking for an exception to the requirement that I try another drug before I get a prescribed drug (formulary exception)

☐ I'm asking for an exception to the plan's limit on the number of pills (quantity limit) I can get so that I can get the number of pills prescribed to me (formulary exception)

☐ I'm asking for an exception to the plan's prior authorization rules that must be met before I get a prescribed drug (formulary exception).

☐ My drug plan charges a higher copay for a prescribed drug than it charges for another drug that treats my condition, and I want to pay the lower copay (tiering exception)

☐ I've been using a drug that was on a lower copay tier before, but has or will be moved to a higher copay tier (tiering exception)

Additional information we should consider *(submit any supporting documents with this form)*:

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Do you need an expedited decision?

If you or your prescriber believe that waiting 72 hours for a standard decision could seriously harm your life, health, or ability to regain maximum function, you can ask for an expedited (fast) decision. If your prescriber indicates that waiting 72 hours could seriously harm your health, we'll automatically give you a decision within 24 hours. If you don't get your prescriber's support for an expedited request, we'll decide if your case requires a fast decision. (You can't ask for an expedited decision if you're asking us to pay you back for a drug you already received.)

☐ **YES, I need a decision within 24 hours.** If you have a supporting statement from your prescriber, attach it to this request.

Signature:	**Date:**

How to submit this form

Submit this form and any supporting information by mail or fax:

Address:
MedImpact HealthCare Systems
Attn: Prior Authorization
10181 Scripps Gateway Court
San Diego, CA 92131

Fax Number:
1-858-790-7100

Supporting Information for an Exception Request or Prior Authorization
To be completed by the prescriber

☐ **REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED REVIEW: By checking this box and signing below, I certify that applying the 72 hour standard review time frame may seriously jeopardize the life or health of the enrollee or the enrollee's ability to regain maximum function.**

Prescriber Information

Name
Street Address (Include City, State and ZIP)
Office phone
Fax
Signature Date

Diagnosis and Medical Information

Medication:	Strength and route of administration:
Frequency:	Date started: ☐ **NEW START**
Expected length of therapy:	Quantity per 30 days:
Height/Weight:	Drug allergies:

DIAGNOSIS – Please list all diagnoses being treated with the requested drug and corresponding ICD-10 codes **(**If the condition being treated with the requested drug is a symptom e.g. anorexia, weight loss, shortness of breath, chest pain, nausea, etc., provide the diagnosis causing the symptom(s) if known)	**ICD-10 Code(s)**
Other RELAVENT DIAGNOSES:	**ICD-10 Code(s)**

DRUG HISTORY: (for treatment of the condition(s) requiring the requested drug)

DRUGS TRIED (if quantity limit is an issue, list unit dose/total daily dose tried)	**DATES of Drug Trials**	**RESULTS of previous drug trials FAILURE vs INTOLERANCE (explain)**

What is the enrollee's current drug regimen for the condition(s) requiring the requested drug?

DRUG SAFETY	
Any **FDA NOTED CONTRAINDICATIONS** to the requested drug?	☐ **YES** ☐ **NO**
Any concern for a **DRUG INTERACTION** when adding the requested drug to the enrollee's current drug regimen?	☐ **YES** ☐ **NO**
If the answer to either of the questions above is yes, please 1) explain issue, 2) discuss the benefits vs potential risks despite the noted concern, and 3) monitoring plan to ensure safety	

HIGH RISK MANAGEMENT OF DRUGS IN THE ELDERLY	
If the enrollee is over the age of 65, do you feel that the benefits of treatment with the requested drug outweigh the potential risks in this elderly patient?	☐ **YES** ☐ **NO**

OPIOIDS – (answer these 4 questions if the requested drug is an opioid)	
What is the daily cumulative Morphine Equivalent Dose **(MED)**? **mg/day**	
Are you aware of other opioid prescribers for this enrollee? If so, please explain.	☐ **YES** ☐ **NO**
Is the stated daily MED dose noted medically necessary?	☐ **YES** ☐ **NO**
Would a lower total daily MED dose be insufficient to control the enrollee's pain?	☐ **YES** ☐ **NO**

RATIONALE FOR REQUEST

☐ **Alternate drug(s) previously tried, but with adverse outcome, e.g. toxicity, allergy, or therapeutic failure** [If not noted in the DRUG HISTORY section, specify below: (1) Drug(s) tried and results of drug trial(s) (2) if adverse outcome, list drug(s) and adverse outcome for each, (3) if therapeutic failure, list maximum dose and length of therapy for drug(s) trialed]

☐**Alternative drug(s) contraindicated, would not be as effective or likely to cause adverse outcome.** A specific explanation why alternative drug(s) would not be as effective or anticipated significant adverse clinical outcome and why this outcome would be expected is required. If contraindication(s), list specific reason why preferred drug(s)/other formulary drug(s) are contraindicated

☐ **Patient would suffer adverse effects if he or she were required to satisfy the prior authorization requirement.** A specific explanation of any anticipated significant adverse clinical outcome and why this outcome would be expected is required.

☐ **Patient is stable on current drug(s); high risk of significant adverse clinical outcome with medication change** A specific explanation of any anticipated significant adverse clinical outcome and why this outcome would be expected is required – e.g. the condition has been difficult to control (many drugs tried, multiple drugs required to control condition), the patient had a significant adverse outcome when the condition was not controlled previously (e.g. hospitalization or frequent acute medical visits, heart attack, stroke, falls, significant limitation of functional status, undue pain and suffering), etc.

☐ **Medical need for different dosage form and/or higher dosage** [Specify below: (1) Dosage form(s) and/or dosage(s) tried and outcome of drug trial(s); (2) explain medical reason (3) include why less frequent dosing with a higher strength is not an option – if a higher strength exists]

☐ **Request for formulary tier exception** If not noted in the DRUG HISTORY section, specify below: (1) formulary or preferred drug(s) tried and results of drug trial(s) (2) if adverse outcome, list drug(s) and adverse outcome for each, (3) if therapeutic failure/not as effective as requested drug, list maximum dose and length of therapy for drug(s) trialed, (4) if contraindication(s), list specific reason why preferred drug(s)/other formulary drug(s) are contraindicated]

☐ **Other** (explain below)

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1-866-431-0801 (toll free); TTY **1-800-627-3529** or **711**

ATTENTION: If you speak English, free language assistance services are available to you free of charge and without unnecessary delay. Additionally, appropriate auxiliary aids and services to provide information in accessible formats are available free of charge and in a timely manner. Please call the number above or speak to your provider. English

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تنبيه: إذا كنت تتحدث العربية، فستكون خدمات المساعدة اللغوية متاحة لك مجانًا وبدون تأخير غير ضروري. بالإضافة إلى ذلك، تتوفر المساعدات والخدمات المساعدة المناسبة لتوفير المعلومات بتنسيقات يسهُل الوصول إليها مجانًا وفي الوقت المناسب. يرجى الاتصال بالرقم أعلاه أو التحدث إلى مقدم الخدمة الخاص بك. Arabic

သတိပြုပါ- သင်သည် မြန်မာဘာသာ ဘာသာစကားဖြင့် ပြောဆိုပါက၊ အခမဲ့ ဘာသာပြန်ဆိုပေးသော ဝန်ဆောင်မှုများကို မလိုလားအပ်သည့် နှောင့်နှေးကြန့်ကြာမှုတို့မရှိဘဲ အခမဲ့ ရရှိနိုင်ပါမည်။ ထို့အပြင်၊ အသုံးပြုခွင့်ရရှိထားသောပုံစံများတွင် သတင်းအချက်အလက်များ ပေးဆောင်နိုင်ရန်အတွက် သင့်လျော်သော အရန်အကူအညီများနှင့် ဝန်ဆောင်မှုများကို အချိန်နှင့်တစ်ပြေးညီ အခမဲ့ရရှိနိုင်ပါသည်။ အထက်တွင် ဖော်ပြထားသောနံပါတ်ကို ဖုန်းခေါ်ဆိုပါ သို့မဟုတ် သင်၏ဝန်ဆောင်မှုပေးသူထံ စကားပြောဆိုပါ။ Burmese

注意：如果您講繁體中文，我們將免費為您提供語言協助服務，且不會造成不必要的延誤。此外，還免費及時提供適當的輔助工具和服務，以無障礙格式提供資訊。請撥打上述電話號碼或與您的提供者聯絡。Chinese

ATTENTION : Si vous parlez Français, des services d’assistance linguistique gratuits sont à votre disposition gratuitement et sans délai inutile. En outre, des aides et services auxiliaires appropriés permettant de fournir des informations dans des formats accessibles sont disponibles gratuitement et en temps opportun. Veuillez appeler le numéro ci-dessus ou parler à votre prestataire. French

CEEB TOOM: Yog tias koj hais lus Hmoob, muaj cov kev pab cuam lus pab dawb rau koj xwb thiab tsis muaj qhov qeeb li. Dhau no lawm, tseem muaj ntaub ntawv qhia txog cov cuab yeej pab hnov lus thiab cov kev pab cuam ua hom qauv ntawv uas mus siv tau dawb yam tsis sau nqi thiab raws sij hawm. Thov hu rau tus xov tooj saum toj no los sis tham nrog koj tus kws kho mob. Hmong

တိၢ်ဒိုဉ်- ဖဲနမ့ၢ်ကတိၤကညီကျိာ်နၣ်,သဘျုကျိာ်တၢ်ဟ့ဉ်မၤစၢၤအတၢ်ဖံးတၢ်မၤတဖဉ်ကအိဉ်ဝဲဒဉ်လၢနဂီၢ်လၢတလိဉ်ဟ့ဉ်အပှၤဒီးတထုးတၢ်ဆၢကတီၢ်ဃံာ်ဃံာ်ဘဉ်နၣ်လီၤ. အမဲာ်ညါ, တၢ်နဉ်ဟူအပီးအလီလၢအဖိးမံဒီးတၢ်မၤစၢၤအ တၢ်ဖံးတၢ်မၤတဖဉ်လၢကဟ့ဉ်တၢ်ဂ့ၢ်တၢ်ကျိၤလၢကွၢ်ဂီၤလၢတၢ်မၤနှၢ်သူအီၤညီနှဉ်ကအိဉ်ဝဲဒဉ်လၢအပှၤတအိဉ်ဒီးတၢ်ကဟ့ဉ်အီၤအဆၢကတီၢ်ဘဉ်ဘဉ်နၣ်လီၤ. ဝံသးစူၤကီးဘဉ်လီတဲစိနိၢ်ဂံၢ်လၢထးမ့တမ့ၢ်ကတိၤတၢ်ဒီးနပှၤဟ့ဉ်တၢ်မၤစၢၤတၢ်တကွၢ်. Karen

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ជូរកត់ចំណាំ៖ ប្រសិនបើអ្នកនិយាយភាសាខ្មែរ សេវាជំនួយភាសាឥតគិតថ្លៃអាចរកបានសម្រាប់អ្នកដោយមិនគិតថ្លៃនិងដោយគ្មានការពន្យារពេលមិនចាំបាច់។ លើសពីនេះ ជំនួយ និងសេវាកម្មជំនួយសមស្របដើម្បីផ្តល់ព័ត៌មានក្នុងទម្រង់ដែលអាចចូលប្រើបាន អាចរកបានដោយមិនគិតថ្លៃ និងទាន់ពេលវេលា។ សូមទូរសព្ទទៅលេខខាងលើ ឬនិយាយទៅកាន់អ្នកផ្តល់សេវារបស់អ្នក។ Khmer

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ຂໍ້ຄວນ ເອົາໃຈໃສ່: ຖ້າ ທ່ານ ເວົ້າ ລາວ, ການບໍລິການການ ຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອ ດ້ານພາສາ ແມ່ນມີ ໃຫ້ ທ່ານ ໂດຍບໍ່ເສຍ ຄ່າ ແລະ ໂດຍບໍ່ມີການ ຊັກ ຊ້າທີ່ບໍ່ ຈຳ ເປັນ. ນອກຈາກນັ້ນ, ການ ຊ່ວຍ ເຫຼືອ ແລະ ການບໍລິການ ສົມທີ່ເໝາະສົມໃນການສະຫນອງ ຂໍ້ມູນ ໃນຮູບແບບທີ່ສາມາດເຂົ້າ ເຖິງ ໄດ້ ແມ່ນມີ ໃຫ້ ໂດ ຍ ບໍ່ ເສຍ ຄ່າ ແລະ ທັນ ເວລາ. ກະລຸນາ ໂທ ຫາ ເບີ ໂທ ຂ້າງ ເທິງ ຫຼື ເວົ້າ ກັບ ຜູ້ ໃຫ້ ບໍລິການ ຂອງ ທ່ານ. Lao

HUBADHAA: Afaan Oromoo dubbattu yoo ta'e, tajaajilootni deeggarsa afaanii barfannaa hin barbaachisne malee bilisaan isiniif kennamu. Dabalataanis, odeeffannoo bifa argamuun danda'uun dhiyeessuf tajaajilliwwaniifi deeggarsiwwan dabalataa bilisaafi yeroosaa eeggate jira. Maaloo lakkkoofsa armaan olii irratti bilbilaa yookiin ogeessa fayyaa keessan haasofsiisaa. Oromo

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FIIRO GAAR AH: Haddii aad ku hadasho Soomaali, adeegyada kaalmada luqadda bilaashka ah ayaa laguugu heli karaa adiga lacag la'aan oo aan lahayn daahid aan lama huraan ahayn. Intaa waxaa dheer, caawimooyinka iyo adeegyada ku habboon si loogu bixiyo macluumaadka qaabab la heli karo ayaa lagu heli karaa lacag la'aan iyo waqti ku habboon. Fadlan wac lambarka kore ama la hadal adeeg bixiyahaaga. Somali

ATENCIÓN: Si habla español, los servicios gratuitos de asistencia en otros idiomas están disponibles para usted de forma gratuita y sin demoras innecesarias. Además, se dispone de ayuda y servicios auxiliares apropiados para proporcionar información en formatos accesibles de forma gratuita y oportuna. Llame al número mencionado anteriormente o hable con su proveedor. Spanish

LƯU Ý: Nếu quý vị nói Tiếng Việt, dịch vụ hỗ trợ ngôn ngữ miễn phí có sẵn cho quý vị, hoàn toàn miễn phí và không bị chậm trễ không cần thiết. Ngoài ra, các thiết bị và dịch vụ hỗ trợ phù hợp để cung cấp thông tin ở các định dạng dễ tiếp cận cũng được cung cấp miễn phí và kịp thời. Vui lòng gọi số ở trên hoặc nói chuyện với nhà cung cấp của quý vị. Vietnamese

Civil Rights Notice

Discrimination is against the law. PrimeWest Health does not discriminate on the basis of any of the following:

- race
- color
- national origin
- creed
- religion
- sexual orientation
- public assistance status
- age
- disability (including physical or mental impairment)
- sex (including sex stereotypes and gender identity)
- marital status
- political beliefs
- medical condition
- health status
- receipt of health care services
- claims experience
- medical history
- genetic information

You have the right to file a discrimination complaint if you believe you were treated in a discriminatory way by PrimeWest Health. You can file a complaint and ask for help filing a complaint in person or by mail, phone, fax, or email at:

Civil Rights Coordinator
PrimeWest Health
3905 Dakota St Alexandria, MN 56308
Toll Free: 1-866-431-0801; TTY: 1-800-627-3529 or 711; Fax: 1-320-762-8750
Email: compliance@primewest.org

Auxiliary Aids and Services: PrimeWest Health provides auxiliary aids and services, like qualified interpreters or information in accessible formats, free of charge and in a timely manner to ensure an equal opportunity to participate in our health care programs. **Contact PrimeWest Health at memberservices@primewest.org, or call Member Services at 1-866-431-0801 or TTY 1-800-627-3529 or 711. The call is free.**

Language Assistance Services: PrimeWest Health provides translated documents and spoken language interpreting, free of charge and in a timely manner, when language assistance services are necessary to ensure limited English speakers have meaningful access to our information and services. **Contact PrimeWest Health at memberservices@primewest.org, or call Member Services at 1-866-431-0801 or TTY 1-800-627-3529 or 711. The call is free.**

Civil Rights Complaints

You have the right to file a discrimination complaint if you believe you were treated in a discriminatory way by PrimeWest Health. You may also contact any of the following agencies directly to file a discrimination complaint.

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Office for Civil Rights (OCR)

You have the right to file a complaint with the OCR, a federal agency, if you believe you have been discriminated against because of any of the following:

- race
- color
- national origin
- age
- disability
- sex
- religion (in some cases)

Contact the **OCR** directly to file a complaint:

Office for Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
Midwest Region
233 N. Michigan Avenue, Suite 240 Chicago, IL 60601
Customer Response Center: 800-368-1019, TTY: 800-537-7697
Email: ocrmail@hhs.gov

Minnesota Department of Human Rights (MDHR)
In Minnesota, you have the right to file a complaint with the MDHR if you have been discriminated against because of any of the following:

- race
- color
- national origin
- religion
- creed
- sex
- sexual orientation
- marital status
- public assistance status
- disability

Contact the **MDHR** directly to file a complaint:

Minnesota Department of Human Rights
540 Fairview Avenue North, Suite 201, St. Paul, MN 55104
651-539-1100 (voice), 800-657-3704 (toll-free), 711 or 800-627-3529 (MN Relay), 651-296-9042 (fax)
Info.MDHR@state.mn.us (email)

Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS)
You have the right to file a complaint with DHS if you believe you have been discriminated against in our health care programs because of any of the following:

- race
- color
- national origin
- religion (in some cases)
- age
- disability (including physical or mental impairment)
- sex (including sex stereotypes and gender identity)

Complaints must be in writing and filed within 180 days of the date you discovered the alleged discrimination. The complaint must contain your name and address and describe the discrimination you are complaining about. We will review it and notify you in writing about whether we have authority to investigate. If we do, we will investigate the complaint.

DHS will notify you in writing of the investigation's outcome. You have the right to appeal if you disagree with the decision. To appeal, you must send a written request to have DHS review the investigation outcome. Be brief and state why you disagree with the decision. Include additional information you think is important.

If you file a complaint in this way, the people who work for the agency named in the complaint cannot retaliate against you. This means they cannot punish you in any way for filing a complaint. Filing a complaint in this way does not stop you from seeking out other legal or administrative actions.

Contact **DHS** directly to file a discrimination complaint:

Civil Rights Coordinator
Minnesota Department of Human Services
Equal Opportunity and Access Division
P.O. Box 64997
St. Paul, MN 55164-0997
651-431-3040 (voice) or use your preferred relay service

American Indians can continue or begin to use tribal and Indian Health Services (IHS) clinics. We will not require prior approval or impose any conditions for you to get services at these clinics. For elders age 65 years and older this includes Elderly Waiver (EW) services accessed through the tribe. If a doctor or other provider in a tribal or IHS clinic refers you to a provider in our network, we will not require you to see your primary care provider prior to the referral.