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REQUEST FOR MEDICARE PRESCRIPTION DRUG COVERAGE DETERMINATION

This form may be sent to us by mail or fax:

Address:
Tufts Health Plan
Attn: Pharmacy Utilization Management Department
1 Wellness Way
Canton, MA 02021-1166

Fax Number: 1-617-673-0956

Online Prior Authorization:
https://point32health.promptpa.com

You may also ask us for a coverage determination by phone at 1-855-393-3154, (TTY: 711) or through our website at tuftshealthunify.org.

Who May Make a Request: Your prescriber may ask us for a coverage determination on your behalf. If you want another individual (such as a family member or friend) to make a request for you, that individual must be your representative. Contact us to learn how to name a representative.

Enrollee's Information

Enrollee's Name		Date of Birth
Enrollee's Address		
City	State	Zip Code
Phone	Enrollee's Member ID #	

Complete the following section ONLY if the person making this request is not the enrollee or prescriber:

Requestor's Name		
Requestor's Relationship to Enrollee		
Address		
City	State	Zip Code
Phone		

Representation documentation for requests made by someone other than enrollee or the enrollee's prescriber:

Attach documentation showing the authority to represent the enrollee (a completed Authorization of Representation Form CMS-1696 or a written equivalent). For more information on appointing a representative, contact your plan or 1-800-Medicare.

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Name of prescription drug you are requesting (if known, include strength and quantity requested per month):

Type of Coverage Determination Request

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

☐ I have been using a drug that was previously included on the plan's list of covered drugs, but is being removed or was removed from this list during the plan year (formulary exception).*****

☐ I request prior authorization for the drug my prescriber has prescribed.*

☐ I request an exception to the requirement that I try another drug before I get the drug my prescriber prescribed (formulary exception).*

☐ I request an exception to the plan's limit on the number of pills (quantity limit) I can receive so that I can get the number of pills my prescriber prescribed (formulary exception).*

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

☐ I have been using a drug that was previously included on a lower copayment tier, but is being moved to or was moved to a higher copayment tier (tiering exception).*****

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

☐I want to be reimbursed for a covered prescription drug that I paid for out of pocket.

***NOTE: If you are asking for a formulary or tiering exception, your prescriber MUST provide a statement supporting your request. Requests that are subject to prior authorization (or any other utilization management requirement), may require supporting information. Your prescriber may use the attached "Supporting Information for an Exception Request or Prior Authorization" to support your request.**

Additional information we should consider *(attach any supporting documents)*:

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Important Note: Expedited Decisions

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 will automatically give you a decision within 24 hours. If you do not obtain your prescriber's support for an expedited request, we will decide if your case requires a fast decision. You cannot request an expedited coverage determination if you are asking us to pay you back for a drug you already received.

☐**CHECK THIS BOX IF YOU BELIEVE YOU NEED A DECISION WITHIN 24 HOURS (if you have a supporting statement from your prescriber, attach it to this request).**

Signature:	**Date:**

Supporting Information for an Exception Request or Prior Authorization

FORMULARY and TIERING EXCEPTION requests cannot be processed without a prescriber's supporting statement. PRIOR AUTHORIZATION requests may require supporting information.

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

Prescriber's Information		
Name		
Address		
City	State	Zip Code
Office Phone	Fax	
Prescriber's 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:	

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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** with the addition of the requested drug to the enrollee's current drug regimen?	☐ **YES** ☐ **NO**
If the answer to either of the questions noted 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 – (please complete the following 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) contraindicated or previously tried, but with adverse outcome, e.g. toxicity, allergy, or therapeutic failure** [Specify below if not already noted in the DRUG HISTORY section earlier on the form: (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, (4) if contraindication(s), please list specific reason why preferred drug(s)/other formulary drug(s) are contraindicated]

☐ **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 a significant adverse 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** Specify below if not noted in the DRUG HISTORY section earlier on the form: (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), please list specific reason why preferred drug(s)/other formulary drug(s) are contraindicated]

☐ **Other** (explain below)

Required Explanation _____

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Tufts Health Unify is a health plan that contracts with both Medicare and MassHealth to provide benefits of both programs to enrollees

DISCRIMINATION IS AGAINST THE LAW

Tufts Health Plan complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex.
Tufts Health Plan does not exclude people or treat them differently because of race, color, national origin, age, disability, sex, sexual orientation, or gender identity.

Tufts Health Plan:

- Provides free aids and services to people with disabilities to communicate effectively with us, such as written information in other formats (large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, other formats)
- Provides free language services to people whose primary language is not English, such as qualified interpreters and information written in other languages

If you need these services, contact Tufts Health Plan at **855.393.3154**.

If you believe that Tufts Health Plan has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, you can file a grievance with:

Tufts Health Plan
Attention: Civil Rights Coordinator, Legal Dept.
1 Wellness Way
Canton, MA 02021-1166
Phone: 888.880.8699 ext. 48000, [TTY number— 711 or 800.439.2370]
Fax: 617.972.9048
Email: OCRCoordinator@point32health.org

You can file a grievance in person or by mail, fax, or email. If you need help filing a grievance, the Tufts Health Plan Civil Rights Coordinator is available to help you.

You can also file a civil rights complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights, electronically through the Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal, available at https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf, or by mail or phone at:

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
200 Independence Avenue, SW
Room 509F, HHH Building
Washington, D.C. 20201
Phone: 800.368.1019, 800.537.7697 (TDD)

Complaint forms are available at http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html.

TuftsHealthUnify.org | **855.393.3154**

We can give you information in other formats, such as braille and large print, and also in different languages upon request.

LA DISCRIMINACIÓN ES CONTRA LA LEY

Tufts Health Plan cumple con las leyes federales de derechos civiles aplicables y no discrimina por motivos de raza, color, nacionalidad, edad, discapacidad o sexo.
Tufts Health Plan no excluye a las personas ni las trata de forma diferente debido a su raza, color, nacionalidad, edad, discapacidad, sexo, orientación sexual o identidad de género.

Tufts Health Plan:

- Proporciona asistencia y servicios gratuitos a las personas con discapacidades para que se comuniquen de manera eficaz con nosotros, como los siguientes: información escrita en otros formatos (letra grande, audio, formatos electrónicos accesibles, otros formatos)
- Proporciona servicios lingüísticos gratuitos a personas cuya lengua materna no es el inglés, como los siguientes: intérpretes capacitados e información escrita en otros idiomas

Si necesita recibir estos servicios, comuníquese con Servicios para Miembros de Tufts Health Plan a **855.393.3154**.

Si considera que Tufts Health Plan no le proporcionó estos servicios o lo discriminó de otra manera por motivos de raza, color, nacionalidad, edad, discapacidad o sexo, puede presentar un reclamo a la siguiente persona:

Tufts Health Plan
Attention: Civil Rights Coordinator, Legal Dept.
1 Wellness Way
Canton, MA 02021-1166
Phone: 888.880.8699 ext. 48000, [TTY number— 866-930-9252]
Fax: 617.972.9048
Email: OCRCoordinator@point32health.org

Puede presentar el reclamo en persona o por correo postal, fax o correo electrónico. Si necesita ayuda para hacerlo, el coordinador de derechos civiles con Tufts Health Plan está a su disposición para brindársela.

También puede presentar un reclamo de derechos civiles ante la Office for Civil Rights (Oficina de Derechos Civiles) del Department of Health and Human Services (Departamento de Salud y Servicios Humanos) de EE. UU. de manera electrónica a través de Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal, disponible en https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf, o bien, por correo postal a la siguiente dirección o por teléfono a los números que figuran a continuación:

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
200 Independence Avenue, SW
Room 509F, HHH Building
Washington, D.C. 20201
Phone: 800.368.1019, 800.537.7697 (TDD)

Puede obtener los formularios de reclamo en el sitio web http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html.

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Podemos brindarle información en otros formatos, tales como Braille y letras grandes y también en diferentes idiomas si lo solicita.

For no-cost translation in English, call **855.393.3154**.

Arabic .855.393.3154للحصول على خدمة الترجمة المجانية باللغة العربية، يرجى الاتصال على الرقم

Chinese 若需免費的中文版本，請撥打 **855.393.3154**。

French Pour demander une traduction gratuite en français, composez le **855.393.3154**.

German Um eine kostenlose deutsche Übersetzung zu erhalten, rufen Sie bitte die folgende Telefonnummer an: **855.393.3154**.

Greek Για δωρεάν μετάφραση στα ελληνικά, καλέστε στο **855.393.3154**.

Haitian Creole Pou tradiksyon gratis nan Kreyòl Ayisyen, rele **855.393.3154**.

Igbo Maka ntụgharị asụsụ n'Igbo na akwụghị ụgwọ, kpọọ **855.393.3154**.

Italian Per la traduzione in italiano senza costi aggiuntivi, è possibile chiamare il numero **855.393.3154**.

Japanese 日本語の無料翻訳については **855.393.3154** に電話してください。

Khmer (Cambodian) សម្រាប់សេវាបកប្រែដោយឥតគិតថ្លៃ ជាភាសាខ្មែរ សូមទូរស័ព្ទទៅលេខ 855.393.3154។

Korean 한국어로 무료 통역을 원하시면, **855.393.3154** 로 전화하십시오.

Kru Inyu yangua ndonõl ni Kru sébèl **855.393.3154**.

Laotian ສໍາລັບການແປພາສາເປັນພາສາລາວທີ່ບໍ່ໄດ້ເສຍຄ່າໃຊ້ຈ່າຍ, ໃຫ້ໂທຫາເບີ **855.393.3154**.

Navajo Dinek'ehgo shika at'ohwol ninisingo, kwiijigo holne' **855.393.3154**.

Persian .برای ترجمه رایگان به فارسی به شماره تلفن855.393.3154 زنگ بزنید

Polish Aby uzyskać bezpłatne tłumaczenie w języku polskim, należy zadzwonić na numer **855.393.3154**.

Portuguese Para tradução grátis para português, ligue para o número **855.393.3154**.

Russian Для получения услуг бесплатного перевода на русский язык позвоните по номеру **855.393.3154**.

Spanish Para servicio de traducción gratuito en español, llame al **855.393.3154**.

Tagalog Kung kailangan ninyo ang tulong sa Tagalog tumawag sa **855.393.3154**.

Vietnamese Để có bản dịch tiếng Việt không phải trả phí, gọi theo số **855.393.3154**.

Yorùbá Fún isẹ́ ògbùfọ̀ l'ọ́fẹ̀ ní Yorùbá, pe **855.393.3154**.