



Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
**MassHealth Drug Utilization Review Program**  
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## Erythropoiesis-Stimulating Agents Prior Authorization Request

MassHealth reviews requests for prior authorization (PA) on the basis of medical necessity only. If MassHealth approves the request, payment is still subject to all general conditions of MassHealth, including current member eligibility, other insurance, and program restrictions. MassHealth will notify the requesting provider and member of its decision. Keep a copy of this form for your records. If faxing this form, please use black ink.

Additional information about these agents, including PA requirements and preferred products, can be found within the MassHealth Drug List at [www.mass.gov/druglist](http://www.mass.gov/druglist).

### Member information

Last name \_\_\_\_\_ First name \_\_\_\_\_ MI \_\_\_\_\_  
 MassHealth member ID # \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gender (Check one.)  F  M      Member's place of residence  home  nursing facility

### Medication information

**Drug name requested** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Dose, frequency, and duration** \_\_\_\_\_  
 Drug NDC (if known) or service code \_\_\_\_\_

### Section I. Please complete for all requests.

**Indication** (Check all that apply.)

**Anemia due to chronic renal failure**

Is the member receiving hemodialysis?  Yes  No (Please note, if the member is receiving hemodialysis, contact the dialysis clinic for proper billing procedure.)

Current hemoglobin \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Glomerular Filtration Rate (GFR) \_\_\_\_\_

Have other causes of anemia been ruled out (hemolysis, iron, vitamin B12, and folate deficiency)?

Yes  No. If no, please provide medical necessity for the use of requested agent. \_\_\_\_\_

**Anemia post-renal transplant**

Is the member receiving hemodialysis?  Yes  No (Please note, if the member is receiving hemodialysis, contact the dialysis clinic for proper billing procedure.)

Current hemoglobin \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Anemia due to cancer chemotherapy**

Current hemoglobin \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Anemia due to myelosuppressive medication regimen for Hepatitis C**

Please provide antiviral medication regimen and dates of therapy.

Antiviral medication(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Current hemoglobin \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

For members using ribavirin, has ribavirin dose reduction been attempted without success?

Yes. Please provide current ribavirin dose (after reduction). \_\_\_\_\_

No. Please provide medical necessity for the use of requested agent. \_\_\_\_\_

Does the member have a history of cardiac disease?  Yes  No

**Anemia due to myelosuppressive medication regimen for HIV**

Is member currently on zidovudine or zidovudine-containing products?  Yes  No

If yes, please provide current medication regimen. \_\_\_\_\_

Have other causes of anemia been ruled out (hemolysis, iron, vitamin B12, and folate deficiency)?

Yes  No. If no, please provide medical necessity for the use of requested agent. \_\_\_\_\_

Current hemoglobin \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Decrease need for blood transfusions due to surgery**

Type of procedure \_\_\_\_\_ Date of procedure \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide medical necessity for the use of requested agent. \_\_\_\_\_

Current hemoglobin \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Other**

Please provide medical necessity for the use of erythropoietin (including diagnosis with etiology, current hemoglobin, other disease states, etc.). \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate billing preference.  Pharmacy  Prescriber in-office  Hospital outpatient

For hospital outpatient billing, provide department-specific facility NPI. \_\_\_\_\_

Drug NDC (if known) or service code \_\_\_\_\_

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**Section II. Please also complete for recertification requests.**

1. Is the member's hemoglobin currently > 12 g/dL?

Yes. Please answer both questions below.

Please provide the treatment plan to hold or reduce the erythropoietin dose.

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Date last erythropoietin dose was administered \_\_\_\_\_

No

2. For members with anemia due to chemotherapy or myelosuppressive medication, please provide the most recent date of use for the causative agent.

Medication(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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**Section III. Please complete for Procrit and Retacrit requests.**

Please provide clinical rationale for use of the requested agent instead of Epogen.

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**Section IV. Please complete for all requests for non-preferred drug products if one or more preferred drug products have been designated for this class of drugs.**

If one or more preferred drug products have been designated for this class of drugs, and if you are requesting PA for a non-preferred drug product, please provide medical necessity for prescribing the non-preferred drug product rather than the preferred drug product.

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**Prescriber information**

Last Name\* \_\_\_\_\_ First Name\* \_\_\_\_\_ MI \_\_\_\_\_  
NPI\* \_\_\_\_\_ Individual MH Provider ID \_\_\_\_\_  
DEA No. \_\_\_\_\_ Office Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone No.\* \_\_\_\_\_ Fax No.\* \_\_\_\_\_  
*\* Required*

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**Prescribing provider's attestation, signature, and date**

I certify under the pains and penalties of perjury that I am the prescribing provider identified in the Prescriber information section of this form. Any attached statement on my letterhead has been reviewed and signed by me. I certify that the medical necessity information (per 130 CMR 450.204) on this form is true, accurate, and complete, to the best of my knowledge. I understand that I may be subject to civil penalties or criminal prosecution for any falsification, omission, or concealment of any material fact contained herein.

Prescribing provider's signature (Signature and date stamps, or the signature of anyone other than the provider, are not acceptable.)

**Signature required** \_\_\_\_\_

Printed name of prescribing provider \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_