

Site of Care Medical Pharmacy

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Policy contains: Medical Pharmacy Policy; Infusion Center; Prior Authorization.

Coverage policy

AmeriHealth Caritas provides reimbursement for medical services for Medicaid members only when those services are provided in the most appropriate and cost-effective setting consistent with the member's medical needs and condition. The following drugs require prior authorization for medical necessity and can be safely administered in the home, an in-network infusion center, and an in-network office:

Actemra [®] *	Keytruda®
Alemtuzumab injection	Lanreotide injection
Avsola [™]	Leuprolide acetate
Benlysta	Leuprolide acetate for depot suspension
Bivigam	Mepolizumab injection
Carimune NF [®]	Naglazyme
Cinqair®	Natalizumab injection
Crysvita [®] *	Ocrelizumab injection
Cutaquig®	Octagam [®] injection
Cuvitru®	Octreotide injection, depot
Elelyso [®]	Omalizumab injection
Evenity	Onpattro®
Fabrazyme [®]	Orencia®
Filgrastim g-csf biosimilar injection	Panzyga [®]
Flebogamma	Pegfilgrastim injection
Gamastan S/D	Pegloticase injection
Gamastan S/D	Prolastin [®]
Gamifant *	Prolia®
Gammagard Liquid	Radicava®
Gammagard S/D	Reblozyl®
Gammaked®	Renflexis®

Gammaplex	Respiratory syncytial virus immune globulin injection
Gamunex C [®]	Romiplostim injection
Givlaari	Simponi Aria®
Glassia™	Soliris®
Glassia/Aralast NP™	Stelara®
Hizentra	Tecentriq®
HyQvia	Tocilizumab injection
Idursulfase injection	Trogarzo
Ilaris	Uplinza®
llumya [™]	Ultomiris [®] *
Imiglucerase injection	Vedolizumab injection
Immune globulin, powder	Vimizim [®]
Inflectra [®]	VPRIV [®]
Infliximab (not biosimilar)	Vyepti™
IVIG injection(Privigen [®])	Xembify [®]
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Note: *Specific medications used in pediatric population are excluded from this policy requirement.

When these drugs are administered at an outpatient hospital facility instead of the home, an in-network infusion center or an in-network office, authorization for reimbursement will only be provided if one of the following criteria are met:

- Documented history of severe adverse reaction occurred during or immediately following an infusion and/or the adverse reaction did not respond to conventional interventions.
- Documentation that the member is medically unstable for the safe and effective administration of the prescribed medication at an alternative site of care as a result of one of the following:
 - Complex medical condition, status, or therapy requires services beyond the capabilities of an office or home infusion setting.
 - Documented history of medical instability, significant comorbidity, or concerns regarding fluid status inhibits treatment at a less-intensive site of care.
 - Clinically significant physical or cognitive impairment that precludes safe and effective treatment in an outpatient or home infusion setting.
 - Difficulty establishing and maintaining reliable vascular access.

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Policy updates

2/2020	Initial review date and clinical policy effective date: 2/2020
1/2021	The following were added. Actemra®; Avsola [™] ; Benlysta; Bivigam; Carimune NF®;
	Cinqair [®] ; Crysvita [®] ; Cutaquig [®] ; Cuvitru [®] ; Elelyso [®] ; Evenity; Fabrazyme [®] ; Flebogamma;;
	Gamastan S/D; Gamastan S/D; Gamifant; Gammagard Liquid; Gammagard S/D;
	Gammaked [®] ; Gammaplex; Gamunex C [®] ; Givlaari; Glassia™; Glassia/Aralast NP [™] ;
	Hizentra; HyQvia; Ilaris; Ilumya [™] ; Inflectra [®] ;Ixifi [™] ; Naglazyme; Onpattro [®] ; Orencia [®] ;
	Panzyga [®] ; Prolastin [®] ; Prolia [®] ; Radicava [®] ; Reblozyl [®] ; Renflexis [®] ; Simponi Aria [®] ; Soliris [®] ;
	Stelara [®] ;Trogarzo;; Ultomiris [®] ; Vimizim [®] ; VPRIV [®] ; Vyepti [™] ; Xembify [®] ; Zemaira [®] ;
4/2023	The following were added: Keytruda [®] ; Tecentriq [®]
4/2024	No policy changes made.
3/2025	The following was added: Uplinza [®] .