



TEXAS MEDICAID Clinical Edit Prior Authorization belimumab (BENLYSTA)

STEP 1: CLEARLY PRINT AND COMPLETE TO EXPEDITE PROCESSING

Date:	Prescriber First & Last Name:
Patient First & Last Name:	Prescriber NPI:
Patient Address:	Prescriber Address:
Patient ID:	Prescriber Phone:
Patient Date of Birth:	Prescriber Fax:

STEP 2: CLINICAL PRIOR AUTHORIZATION CRITERIA

Indicate Primary Diagnosis: _____ ICD 10 Code: _____

1. Is the client greater than or equal to (\geq) 18 years of age?

Yes (Go to #2)

No (Deny)

2. Does the client have a diagnosis of systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE) in the last 730 days?

Yes (Go to #3)

No (Go to #4)

3. Has laboratory testing confirmed the presence of autoantibodies? [Manual]

Yes (Go to #5)

No (Deny)

4. Does the client have a diagnosis of lupus nephritis (LN) in the last 730 days?

Yes (Go to #5)

No (Deny)

5. Is the client currently receiving standard immunosuppressive therapy?

Examples of standard immunosuppressive therapy include azathioprine (IMURAN), chloroquine, hydroxychloroquine (PLAQUENIL), methotrexate (OTREXUP, TREXALL, XATMEP), mycophenolate mofetil (CELLCELPT), mycophenolate acid (MYFORTIC), and prednisone.

Yes (Go to #6)

No (Deny)



6. Will the client have concurrent therapy with biologic disease-modifying antirheumatic drug (DMARD) agents?

Examples of DMARDs include ACTEMRA, CIMZIA, COSENTYX, ENBREL, HUMIRA, ILARIS, KEVZARA, ORENCIA, OTEZLA, SILIQ, SIMPONI, STELARA, TALTZ, and TREMFYA.

Yes (Deny)

No (Go to #7)

7. Does the client have a diagnosis of progressive multifocal leukoencephalopathy (PML) in the last 365 days?

Yes (Deny)

No (Go to #8)

8. Is the requested dose less than or equal to (\leq) 200mg weekly for systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE) or less than or equal to (\leq) 400mg weekly for lupus nephritis (LN)?

Yes (Approve – 365 days)

No (Deny)

STEP 3: SIGN AND FAX TO: NAVITUS PRIOR AUTHORIZATION AT: 855-668-8553

Prescriber Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

If criteria not met, submit chart documentation with form citing complex medical circumstances.
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