



Request for Prior Authorization
ORAL CONSTIPATION AGENTS

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Form with fields for IA Medicaid Member ID #, Patient name, DOB, Patient address, Provider NPI, Prescriber name, Phone, Prescriber address, Fax, Pharmacy name, Address, Phone, Pharmacy NPI, Pharmacy fax, NDC.

Prior authorization is required for oral constipation agents. Payment will be considered under the following conditions:

- 1) Patient is 18 years of age or older; and
2) Patient must have documentation of adequate trials and therapy failures with both of the following:
- Stimulant laxative (senna) plus saline laxative (milk of magnesia); and
- Stimulant laxative (senna) plus osmotic laxative (polyethylene glycol or lactulose).
3) Patient does not have a known or suspected mechanical gastrointestinal obstruction.

If the criteria for coverage are met, initial authorization will be given for 12 weeks to assess the response to treatment. Requests for continuation therapy may be provided if the prescriber documents adequate response to treatment.

Non-Preferred

- Amitiza, Linzess, Movantik, Relistor, Symproic, Trulance

Strength, Dosage Instructions, Quantity, Days Supply

Treatment failures:

Trial 1: Stimulant Laxative (senna) plus Osmotic Laxative (polyethylene glycol / lactulose)

Stimulant Laxative Trial: Name/Dose: Trial Dates:

Failure reason:

Osmotic Laxative Trial: Name/Dose:

Trial Dates: Failure reason:

Trial 2: Stimulant Laxative (senna) plus Saline Laxative (milk of magnesia)

Stimulant Laxative Trial: Name/Dose: Trial Dates:

Failure reason:

Saline Laxative Trial: Name/Dose: Trial Dates:

Failure reason:

Does patient have a known or suspected mechanical gastrointestinal obstruction: Yes No

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- Chronic Idiopathic Constipation:** (Amitiza, Linzess, or Trulance)
- Patient has less than 3 spontaneous bowel movements (SBMs) per week:  
 Yes     No
  - Patient has two or more of the following symptoms within the last 3 months:  
 Straining during at least 25% of the bowel movements  
 Lumpy or hard stools for at least 25% of bowel movements  
 Sensation of incomplete evacuation for at least 25% of bowel movements
  - Documentation the patient is not currently taking constipation causing therapies:  
Medication review completed:  Yes     No  
Current constipation causing therapies:  
 Yes (please list) \_\_\_\_\_  No

- Irritable Bowel Syndrome with Constipation:** (Amitiza, Linzess, or Trulance)
- Patient is female (Amitiza requests only):  Yes     No
  - Patient has abdominal pain or discomfort at least 3 days per month in the last 3 months associated with two (2) or more of the following:  
 Improvement with defecation  
 Onset associated with a change in stool frequency  
 Onset associated with a change in stool form

- Opioid-Induced Constipation with Chronic, Non-Cancer Pain:** (Amitiza, Movantik, Relistor, or Symproic)
- Patient has been receiving stable opioid therapy for at least 30 days as seen in the patient's pharmacy claims:  Yes     No
  - Patient has less than 3 spontaneous bowel movements (SBMs) per week, with at least 25% associated with one or more of the following:  
 Hard to very hard stool consistency  
 Moderate to very severe straining  
 Sensation of incomplete evacuation
  - Patient has documentation of an adequate trial and therapy failure with Amitiza if prior authorization request is for a different oral constipation agent.  Yes     No
- Amitiza Trial:** Dose: \_\_\_\_\_ Trial dates: \_\_\_\_\_  
Failure Reason: \_\_\_\_\_

**Other Diagnosis:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Renewal Requests:** Provide documentation of adequate response to treatment: \_\_\_\_\_

Possible drug interactions/conflicting drug therapies: \_\_\_\_\_

**Attach lab results and other documentation as necessary.**

Prescriber signature (Must match prescriber listed above.)	Date of submission
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**IMPORTANT NOTE:** In evaluating requests for prior authorization the consultant will consider the treatment from the standpoint of medical necessity only. If approval of this request is granted, this does not indicate that the member continues to be eligible for Medicaid. It is the responsibility of the provider who initiates the request for prior authorization to establish by inspection of the member's Medicaid eligibility card and, if necessary by contact with the county Department of Human Services, that the member continues to be eligible for Medicaid.