

Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Member ID: \_\_\_\_\_ Member DOB: \_\_\_\_\_  
Drug Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Strength: \_\_\_\_\_ Directions: \_\_\_\_\_  
Physician Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Physician Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Specialty: \_\_\_\_\_  
Physician Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_ Pharmacy Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Pharmacy Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Horizon NJ Health**  
***Erythropoiesis-Stimulating Agents – Medical Necessity Request***  
***\*Please complete page 1 and 2 for New/Initial Requests\****

**Clinical Values**

**\*Please submit laboratory documentation for hemoglobin taken within the past 60 days.**

Current weight: \_\_\_\_\_ lbs or kg

Hemoglobin: \_\_\_\_\_ g/dL Date taken: \_\_\_\_\_

Transferrin Saturation: \_\_\_\_\_%

Ferritin level: \_\_\_\_\_ ng/mL

**Contraindication Information**

Does the member have uncontrolled hypertension? **Yes or No**

Has the member had pure red cell aplasia (PRCA) that begins after treatment with an erythropoietin protein drug such as Procrit, Epogen, Retacrit, Aranesp or Mircera? **Yes or No**

Is the member pregnant or nursing? **Yes or No**

1. Does the member have Anemia? **Yes or No**  
- If no, what is the drug being used for? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Have other causes of anemia been excluded (e.g. GI bleeding, iron or folate deficiency, hemolysis)? **Yes or No**
3. Is the member currently on iron therapy? **Yes or No**

**Please select the cause of anemia and answer related questions.**

- Chronic Kidney Disease/End-Stage Renal Disease
- Will the member be receiving dialysis? **Yes or No** If No, answer the following questions.
    - Is the goal of using this medication to reduce the risk of alloimmunization and/or other red blood cell transfusion-related risks? **Yes or No**
    - Does the member have a rate of hemoglobin decline which would indicate the likelihood of requiring a red blood cell transfusion? **Yes or No**
  - **For Mircera requests:** Is the member converting from another erythropoiesis stimulating agent (ESA) after their hemoglobin level was stabilized with and ESA?
    - Yes** - What was the previous ESA dose? \_\_\_\_\_
    - For members less than 18 years old, is the member receiving hemodialysis? **Yes or No**
    - No**
- HIV
- Is member currently receiving AZT (Zidovudine)? **Yes or No**
  - If yes, please provide the dose that member is receiving \_\_\_\_\_
  - What is the member's serum erythropoietin level in mUnits/mL? \_\_\_\_\_
- Cancer/Chemotherapy
- What type of cancer does the member have? \_\_\_\_\_
  - What chemotherapy is the member receiving? \_\_\_\_\_
  - How many month of chemotherapy are planned? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Is the anticipated outcome of the chemotherapy cure? **Yes or No**
  - Can the anemia be managed by a transfusion? **Yes or No**
- Upcoming Surgery
- Is the patient at high-risk for blood loss from surgery? **Yes or No**
  - Would the drug reduce the need for an allogenic blood transfusion (from another person)? **Yes or No**
  - Is the member scheduled to undergo elective, non-cardiac, non-vascular surgery? **Yes or No**
  - Is the member unable or unwilling to donate autologous blood? **Yes or No**

**Physician office's signature\*** \_\_\_\_\_ **Print Name** \_\_\_\_\_

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Hepatitis C

- Is the member being treated with ribavirin and interferon/PEG interferon? **Yes or No**
- What date will the member complete therapy with ribavirin and interferon/PEG interferon? \_\_\_\_\_

Rheumatoid Arthritis/Rheumatic Disease

Myelodysplastic syndrome

- What is the member's serum erythropoietin level in mUnits/mL? \_\_\_\_\_
- Does the member have a lower-risk disease (i.e., defined as IPSS-R [Very Low, Low, Intermediate], IPSS [Low/Intermediate-1], WPSS [Very Low, Low, Intermediate])? **Yes or No**
- Is the anemia symptomatic? **Yes or No**
- Does the member have del(5q)? **Yes or No**
- Are sideroblasts greater than or equal to 15%? **Yes or No**
- Is the medication being used together with a G-CSF (drugs such as Neupogen, Neulasta, Zarxio, etc.)? **Yes or No**

Myelofibrosis

- What is the member's serum erythropoietin level in mUnits/mL? \_\_\_\_\_

Anemia of Prematurity

- Will the requested medication be used in combination with iron supplements? **Yes or No**

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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**\*\*Complete this page ONLY for Subsequent (Renewal) requests or for dosage changes\*\***

**General Information**

**\*Please submit laboratory documentation for hemoglobin taken within the past 3 months.**

Hemoglobin: \_\_\_\_\_ g/dL. Date taken: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ lbs or kg  
Transferrin Saturation: \_\_\_\_\_%. Date taken: \_\_\_\_\_ Ferritin level: \_\_\_\_\_ ng/mL. Date taken: \_\_\_\_\_  
Previous Dose: \_\_\_\_\_ New Dose: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Is the member currently on iron therapy? **Yes or No**
2. Has the member responded to this medication by having an increase in hemoglobin levels? **Yes or No**
3. Has the member responded to this medication by having a decrease in the duration or number of transfusions? **Yes or No**

**Please select the cause of anemia and answer related questions.**

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- Will the member be receiving dialysis? **Yes or No**
- HIV  
- Is member currently receiving AZT (Zidovudine)? **Yes or No**  
- If yes, please provide the dose that member is receiving \_\_\_\_\_
- Cancer/Chemotherapy  
- Is the member currently receiving chemotherapy? **Yes or No**  
- If yes, what chemotherapy regimen? (Please include all the drugs and how often they are being given)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
- How many months of treatment with the above chemotherapy regimen are planned? \_\_\_\_\_
- Hepatitis C  
- Is the member being treated with ribavirin and interferon/PEG interferon? **Yes or No**  
- What date will the member complete therapy with ribavirin and interferon/PEG interferon? \_\_\_\_\_
- Rheumatoid Arthritis/Rheumatic Disease
- Myelodysplastic syndrome
- Myelofibrosis
- Anemia of Prematurity  
- Will the requested medication be used in combination with iron supplements? **Yes or No**
- Upcoming/Recent Surgery  
- Is the patient at high-risk for blood loss from surgery? **Yes or No**  
- Would the drug reduce the need for an allogenic blood transfusion (from another person)? **Yes or No**
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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