

Nucala (mepolizumab)
Prior Authorization Request Form
Caterpillar Prescription Drug Benefit
Phone: 877-228-7909 Fax: 800-424-7640

MEMBER'S LAST NAME: _____ **MEMBER'S FIRST NAME:** _____

Instructions: Please fill out all applicable sections completely and legibly. Attach any additional documentation that is important for the review (e.g., chart notes or lab data, to support the authorization request). Information contained in this form is Protected Health Information under HIPAA.

☐ **URGENT**

MEMBER INFORMATION		
LAST NAME:		FIRST NAME:
PHONE NUMBER:		DATE OF BIRTH:
STREET ADDRESS:		
CITY:	STATE:	ZIP CODE:
PATIENT INSURANCE ID NUMBER:		

☐ MALE ☐ FEMALE HEIGHT (IN/CM): _____ WEIGHT (LB/KG): _____ ALLERGIES: _____

IF YOU ARE NOT THE PATIENT OR THE PRESCRIBER, YOU WILL NEED TO SUBMIT A PHI DISCLOSURE AUTHORIZATION FORM WITH THIS REQUEST WHICH CAN BE FOUND AT THE FOLLOWING LINK: [PRIMETHERAPEUTICS.COM/NOPP](https://www.primetherapeutics.com/nopp)

PATIENT'S AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE (IF APPLICABLE): _____
AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE'S PHONE NUMBER: _____

PRESCRIBER INFORMATION	
LAST NAME:	FIRST NAME:
PRESCRIBER SPECIALTY:	EMAIL ADDRESS:
NPI NUMBER:	DEA NUMBER:
PHONE NUMBER:	FAX NUMBER:
STREET ADDRESS:	
CITY:	STATE: ZIP CODE:
REQUESTER (if different than prescriber):	OFFICE CONTACT PERSON:

MEDICATION OR MEDICAL DISPENSING INFORMATION			
MEDICATION NAME:			
DOSE/STRENGTH:	FREQUENCY:	LENGTH OF THERAPY/REFILLS:	QUANTITY:
<input type="checkbox"/> NEW THERAPY	<input type="checkbox"/> RENEWAL	IF RENEWAL: DATE THERAPY INITIATED:	
DURATION OF THERAPY (SPECIFIC DATES):			

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1. HAS THE PATIENT TRIED ANY OTHER MEDICATIONS FOR THIS CONDITION?

☐ YES (if yes, complete below) ☐ NO

MEDICATION/THERAPY
(SPECIFY DRUG NAME AND
DOSAGE):

DURATION OF THERAPY
(SPECIFY DATES):

**RESPONSE/REASON FOR
FAILURE/ALLERGY:**

2. LIST DIAGNOSES:

ICD-10:

- ☐ Eosinophilic granulomatosis with polyangiitis(EGPA)
☐ Eosinophilic phenotype asthma
☐ Hypereosinophilic syndrome(HES)
☐ Chronic rhinisinusitis with nasal polyps
☐ Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease(COPD) with
eosinophilic phenotype

☐ Other diagnosis: _____ ICD-10 Code(s): _____

**3. REQUIRED CLINICAL INFORMATION: PLEASE PROVIDE ALL RELEVANT CLINICAL INFORMATION
TO SUPPORT A PRIOR AUTHORIZATION.**

Is patient going to be using drug in combination with a clinical trial? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Will patient use Nucala(mepolizumab) in combination with another biologic, such as but not limited
to Benlysta(belimumab), Fasenra(benralizumab), Cinqair(reslizumab) or Dupixent(dupilumab) or
Xolair(omalizumab) or Nemludio(nemolizumab-ilot) or Tezspire(tezepelumab)?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Is prescriber an allergist, pulmonologist or immunologist? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Eosinophilic granulomatosis with polyangiitis(EGPA):

Has the patient had EGPA for at least 6months? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Has the patient been on a stable dose of prednisolone or prednisone of greater than or equal to
7.5mg to greater than or equal to 50mg/day for at least 4 weeks before starting Nucala?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Does the patient have relapsing or refractory disease despite systemic corticosteroids and or
immunosuppressive therapy? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Does patient have a history or presence of asthma? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Does the patient have a blood eosinophil level of 10%? ☐ Yes ☐ No
(Please submit lab report)

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Does the patient have an absolute eosinophil count of more than 1000cells per cubic millimeter?

☐ Yes ☐ No (Please submit lab report)

Does the patient have any of the below? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Please mark and submit chart notes and /or lab report(s).

- ☐ Histo-pathological evidence of eosinophilic vasculitis, perivascular eosinophilic infiltration, or eosinophil-rich granulomatous inflammation
- ☐ Neuropathy
- ☐ Pulmonary infiltrates
- ☐ Sino-nasal abnormality
- ☐ Cardiomyopathy
- ☐ Glomerulonephritis
- ☐ Alveolar hemorrhage
- ☐ Palpable purpura
- ☐ Antineutrophil cytoplasmic antibody(ANCA) positivity

Eosinophilic phenotype asthma:

Has patient had at least 2 asthma exacerbations in the past 2 years warranting initiation of systemic glucocorticoids(or an increase to the patient's baseline dose of systemic glucocorticoids) prior to using Nucala ? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Has the patient had at least one blood eosinophil count of at least 150 cells per microliter?
☐ Yes ☐ No (Please submit lab documentation)

For adults (18years of age and older), does the patient have an FEV₁ equaling less than 80% of the predicted volume? ☐ Yes ☐ No (Please submit chart notes/PFT report)

For adolescents (age 6-17years), does the patient have an FEV₁ equaling less than 90% of the predicted volume or a ratio of the FEV₁ to the forced vital capacity (FVC) equaling less than 0.8?
☐ Yes ☐ No (Please submit chart notes/PFT report)

Is the patient a current or former smoker? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Hypereosinophilic Syndrome(HES):

Within the past 12 months, has the patient has had two or more episodes of HES-related flares (worsening of clinical symptoms and/or worsening of blood eosinophil counts) requiring escalation of therapy? ☐ Yes ☐ No Please submit chart documentation.

In the past 12 months, did any of the patient's HES-related flares occur spontaneously (in other words, did NOT occur within 4 weeks of a decrease in therapy)? ☐ Yes ☐ No
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Within the past 4 weeks prior to starting Nucala, is the patient's blood eosinophil count equaling 1000cells/microliter or greater? ☐ Yes ☐ No (Please submit lab report)

Has the patient been on a stable dose of HES therapy for the past month (such as oral corticosteroids, immunosuppressive agents and/or cytotoxic therapy)? ☐ Yes ☐ No
(Please submit chart documentation)

For diagnosis of Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease(COPD), answer the following:

Does patient have a diagnosis of moderate to severe chronic obstructive pulmonary disease(COPD) and an eosinophilic phenotype? ☐ Yes ☐ No (Please provide documentation)

Has patient had COPD for at least 12months? ☐ Yes ☐ No (Please provide documentation)

Has patient been on a stable regimen for at least 3months prior to starting Nucala with triple inhaler medications including an inhaled corticosteroid(ICS), a long-acting beta agonist(LABA) inhaler and a long-acting muscarinic antagonist(LAMA) inhaler? ☐ Yes ☐ No (Please provide documentation)

If patient has an absolute contraindication to an inhaled corticosteroid(ICS), then has patient been on a stable regimen for at least 3 months prior to starting Nucala with a long-acting beta agonist inhaler(LABA) and a long-acting muscarinic antagonist inhaler(LAMA)? ☐ Yes ☐ No (Please provide documentation)

Is patient a current or former smoker with a smoking history of greater than or equal to 10pack years? ☐ Yes ☐ No (Please provide documentation)

Does patient have a post-bronchodilator FEV1/forced vital capacity[FVC] ratio <0.70? ☐ Yes ☐ No
(Please provide documentation)

Does patient have a post-bronchodilator FEV1 %predicted >30% and ≤70%? ☐ Yes ☐ No (Please provide documentation)

Does patient have a history of signs and symptoms of chronic bronchitis(chronic productive cough) for 3 months in the absence of other known causes of cough? ☐ Yes ☐ No (Please provide documentation)

Does patient have blood eosinophils greater than or equal to 300 cells/microliter? ☐ Yes ☐ No
(Please provide documentation)

Is patient a high exacerbation risk with a history of 2 or greater moderate exacerbations or 1 or greater severe exacerbations within the previous 12 months prior to starting Nucala? ☐ Yes ☐ No
(Please provide documentation)

Has at least one exacerbation occurred while the patient was taking an inhaled corticosteroid(ICS)/Long-acting beta agonist(LABA/Long-acting muscarinic antagonist(LAMA) or LABA/LAMA, if the ICS was contraindicated? ☐ Yes ☐ No (Please provide documentation)

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Has moderate exacerbations required either systemic corticosteroids(IM, IV or oral) and/or antibiotics? ☐ Yes ☐ No (Please provide documentation)

Has severe exacerbations required hospitalization or greater than 24hour observation in the ER or Urgent Care facility? ☐ Yes ☐ No (Please provide documentation)

Does patient have a diagnosis of asthma or a history of asthma? ☐ Yes ☐ No (Please provide documentation)

Does patient have significant pulmonary disease other than COPD with eosinophilia phenotype such as lung fibrosis, sarcoidosis, interstitial lung disease, pulmonary hypertension, bronchiectasis, Churg-Strauss Syndrome or another diagnosed pulmonary or systemic disease associated with elevated peripheral eosinophil counts? ☐ Yes ☐ No (Please provide documentation)

Does patient have right sided heart failure? ☐ Yes ☐ No (Please provide documentation)

Does patient require oxygen of more than 12 hours per day? ☐ Yes ☐ No (Please provide documentation)

Does patient have alpha 1 anti-trypsin deficiency? ☐ Yes ☐ No (Please provide documentation)

Chronic Rhinosinusitis with Nasal Polyps(CRSwNP):

Has patient had at least one polypectomy (physical removal of a nasal polyp) in the past 10 years? ☐ Yes ☐ No (Please submit chart documentation)

Has patient been treated with a nasal steroid for the past 8 weeks? ☐ Yes ☐ No
(Please submit chart documentation)

Are there any other comments, diagnoses, symptoms, medications tried or failed, and/or any other information the physician feels is important to this review?

Please note: Not all drugs/diagnosis are covered on all plans. This request may be denied unless all required information is received.

ATTESTATION: I attest the information provided is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the Health Plan, insurer, Medical Group or its designees may perform a routine audit and request the medical information necessary to verify the accuracy of the information reported on this form.

Prescriber Signature or Electronic I.D. Verification: _____ **Date:** _____

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