

AETNA BETTER HEALTH® OF VIRGINIA REQUEST FORM

GROWTH HORMONE

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If the following information is not complete, correct, or legible, the PA process can be delayed. Please use one form per member.

MEMBER INFORMATION

Last Name:

First Name:

Medicaid ID Number:

Date of Birth:

Gender: Male Female

Weight in Kilograms: _____

PRESCRIBER INFORMATION

Last Name:

First Name:

NPI Number:

Phone Number:

Fax Number:

DRUG INFORMATION

Is the Drug Prescribed by or in Consultation with a Specialist?

Endocrinologist Nephrologist

Drug Name/Form: _____

Strength: _____

Dosing Frequency: _____

Length of Therapy: _____

Quantity per Day: _____

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Member's Last Name:

Member's First Name:

CRITERIA

1. What is the diagnosis?

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Idiopathic short stature (ISS) | <input type="checkbox"/> Pediatric growth hormone (GH) deficiency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Noonan syndrome (NS) | <input type="checkbox"/> Familial short stature |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SHOX deficiency (SHOXD) | <input type="checkbox"/> Small for gestational age (SGA) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adult GH deficiency | <input type="checkbox"/> Turner syndrome (TS) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prader Willi syndrome (PWS) | <input type="checkbox"/> Short bowel syndrome (SBS), skip to diagnosis section |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chronic renal insufficiency | <input type="checkbox"/> Pediatric chronic kidney disease, skip to diagnosis section |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | |

2. Is this request for a new start, restart (re-initiation) or continuation of Growth Hormone (GH) therapy?

- New start, **skip to diagnosis section** Restart, **skip to diagnosis section** Continuation

3. Is the member's growth velocity at least 2 cm per year while on GH therapy?

- Yes No

Action Required: *If YES, please attach documentation from medical record supporting growth velocity of at least 2 cm/year.*

4. Are the growth plates open?

- Yes No

5. What is the member's current height? Age: Years _____ Months _____ Height: _____ inches

Action Required: *Please attach documentation from the medical record of current height.*

DIAGNOSIS AND MEDICAL INFORMATION

Complete the Following Section(s) Based on the Member's Diagnosis. Complete All That Apply:

Section A: All Pediatric Indications

6. What is the member's pretreatment height and age?

Age: Years _____ Months _____ Height: _____ inches

Action Required: *Please attach documentation from the medical record showing pretreatment height and age at measurement.*

7. Which of the following criteria does the member's pretreatment height meet?

- Greater than or equal to 2.25 standard deviations (SD) below the mean for age and gender
 Greater than or equal to 2 standard deviations (SD) below the mean for age and gender

8. What is the member's pretreatment growth velocity?

- Greater than 1 standard deviation (SD) below the mean for age and gender
 1 SD below the mean for age and gender

Action Required: *Please attach documentation from the medical record showing either.*

- At least 2 heights measured by an endocrinologist at least 6 months apart (data for at least 1 year)
 At least 4 heights measured by a primary care physician at least 6 months apart (data for at least 2 years)

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Member's Last Name:

Member's First Name:

Section B: Pediatric GH Deficiency

9. Did the member have a GH response of less than 10 ng/mL (or otherwise abnormal as determined by the lab) of at least 2 GH stimulation tests?

Yes No

Action Required: *If YES, please attach documentation of stimulation test results.*

10. Did member have a GH response of less than 15 ng/mL on at least 1 GH stimulation test?

Yes No

Action Required: *Please attach documentation of GH stimulation test result. If YES, indicate results.*

11. Does the member have a defined CNS pathology, history of cranial irradiation or genetic condition associated GH deficiency?

Yes No

12. Does the member have both IGF-1 and IGFBP-3 levels below normal for age and gender?

Yes No

Action Required: *If YES, please attach documentation from the medical record showing IGF-1 and IGFBP-3 levels below normal.*

13. Does the member have 2 or more documented pituitary hormone deficiencies other than GH?

Yes No

14. Did the member have an abnormally low GH level in association with neonatal hypoglycemia?

Yes No

Action Required: *If YES, please attach documentation of GH level.*

Section C: Pediatric Chronic Kidney Disease/ Chronic Renal Insufficiencies

15. Does the member have any of the following? Indicate any/all the apply:

Creatinine clearance of 75 mL/min/1.73 m² or less Dialysis dependency
 Serum creatinine greater than 3.0 g/dL None of the above

Section D: Pediatric Chronic Kidney Disease

16. Is this request for a new start, restart (re-initiation) or continuation of GH therapy?

New start, *no further questions* Restart Continuation

17. Was GH therapy previously approved for this member?

Yes No

18. What is the member's current height in inches? _____

Action Required: *Please attach documentation from the medical record of current height. If Restart, no further questions.*

19. Is the member's growth velocity at least 2 cm per year while on GH therapy?

Yes No

Action Required: *If YES, please attach documentation from medical record supporting growth velocity of at least 2 cm/year.*

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Member's Last Name:

Member's First Name:

Section E: Adult GH Deficiency

20. Does the member have irreversible hypothalamic/pituitary structural lesions or ablation?
 Yes No ***If YES, no further questions.***
21. Does the member have a defect in GH synthesis?
 Yes No ***If YES, no further questions.***
22. Did the member have GH deficiency diagnosed during childhood?
 Yes No
23. Does the member have 3 or more pituitary hormone deficiencies?
 Yes No
24. Was the member retested for GH deficiency after an at least 1-month break in GH therapy?
 Yes No
25. Which of the following pharmacologic agents was used in a GH stimulation test to measure peak GH levels?
 Insulin Clonidine Levodopa Glucagon Arginine
 GH stimulation test not performed Other: _____

Action Required: *Please attach documentation showing the results of GH stimulation test.*

26. Indicate the peak GH level: _____ ng/mL
27. Is the pretreatment IGF-1 level below the laboratory's range of normal?
 Yes No

Action Required: *Please attach documentation from the medical record showing the member's pretreatment IGF-1 level.*

Section F: Short Bowel Syndrome

28. Is the member receiving specialized nutritional support?
 Yes No
29. Will GH be used in conjunction with optimal management of short bowel syndrome?
 Yes No
30. How many months of GH therapy has the member received? _____ months Not Applicable/New Start

Prescriber Signature (Required)

Date

By signature, the Physician confirms the above information is accurate and verifiable by member records.

Please include ALL requested information; Incomplete forms will delay the PA process. Submission of documentation does NOT guarantee coverage.