

## PHARMACY POLICY STATEMENT

### Georgia Medicaid

DRUG NAME	Rinvoq (upadacitinib)
BILLING CODE	Must use valid NDC code
BENEFIT TYPE	Pharmacy
SITE OF SERVICE ALLOWED	Home
COVERAGE REQUIREMENTS	Prior Authorization Required (Non-Preferred Product) QUANTITY LIMIT— 30 tabs per 30 days
LIST OF DIAGNOSES CONSIDERED <b>NOT</b> MEDICALLY NECESSARY	<a href="#">Click Here</a>

Rinvoq (upadacitinib) is a **non-preferred** product and will only be considered for coverage under the **pharmacy** benefit when the following criteria are met:

Members must be clinically diagnosed with one of the following disease states and meet their individual criteria as stated.

#### RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS (RA)

For **initial** authorization:

1. Member must be 18 years of age or older with moderate to severe active RA; AND
2. Must have a documented negative TB test (i.e., tuberculosis skin test (PPD), an interferon-release assay (IGRA)) within 12 months prior to starting therapy; AND
3. Medication must be prescribed by a rheumatologist; AND
4. Chart notes with all of the following submitted with prior authorization request: absolute lymphocyte count is  $> 500$  cells/mm<sup>3</sup>, absolute neutrophil count is  $> 1000$  cells/mm<sup>3</sup>, and hemoglobin level is  $> 8$  g/dL; AND
5. Member must have tried and failed treatment with at least **one** non-biologic DMARDS (i.e., methotrexate, hydroxychloroquine, sulfasalazine, azathioprine, cyclosporine and leflunomide) or must have documented contraindication to all non-biologic DMARDS. Treatment trial duration with non-biologic DMARD agent must have been at least 12 weeks.
6. **Dosage allowed:** 15 mg once daily.

***If member meets all the requirements listed above, the medication will be approved for 12 months.***

For **reauthorization**:

1. Must have been retested for TB with a negative result within the past 12 months; AND
2. Member must be in compliance with all other initial criteria; AND
3. Chart notes have been provided that show the member has shown improvement of signs and symptoms of disease.

***If member meets all the reauthorization requirements above, the medication will be approved for an additional 12 months.***

CareSource considers Rinvoq (upadacitinib) not medically necessary for the treatment of the following disease states based on a lack of robust clinical controlled trials showing superior efficacy compared to currently available treatments:

- Alopecia
- Dry eye disease
- Crohn's disease
- Prevention of organ transplant rejection
- Plaque psoriasis
- Psoriatic arthritis
- Ulcerative colitis

DATE	ACTION/DESCRIPTION
09/26/2019	New policy for Rinvoq created.

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