

## Pharmacy Policy

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### Actimmune

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#### Product Applicability All Plan<sup>+</sup> Products

##### Well Sense Health Plan

New Hampshire Medicaid

##### Boston Medical Center HealthNet Plan

MassHealth ACO

MassHealth MCO

Qualified Health Plans/ConnectorCare/Employer Choice Direct

Senior Care Options

Note: Disclaimer and audit information is located at the end of this document.

## Prior Authorization Policy

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### Products Affected:

- **Actimmune (interferon gamma-1B)**

The Plan may authorize coverage of the above products for members meeting the following criteria:

### Initial Criteria:

1. Diagnosis of serious infections associated with chronic granulomatous disease (CGD); AND
  - a. Diagnosis has been confirmed via DHR or gene testing; AND
  - b. Member is receiving concurrent antibiotic therapy and antifungal therapy; AND
  - c. Prescribed by or in consultation with a hematologist, infectious disease specialist, or immunologist; OR
2. Sever, malignant osteopetrosis (SMO); AND
  - a. Prescribed by or in consultation with an orthopedic surgeon, hematologist, or endocrinologist; AND
  - b. Diagnosis has been confirmed by radiological evidence

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**Approval Duration: 12 months**

Reauthorization Criteria:

1. Currently receiving medication via BMCHP benefit or member has previously met initial approval criteria; **AND**
2. Member is tolerating and responding to treatment

**Approval Duration: 12 months**

**Clinical Background Information and References**

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1. Actimmune (interferon gamma-1b) [prescribing information]. Roswell, GA: HZNP USA. June 2016

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**Other Applicable Policies**

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**Reference to Applicable Laws and Regulations, If Any**

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**Disclaimer Information**

Medical Policies are the Plan’s guidelines for determining the medical necessity of certain services or supplies for purposes of determining coverage. These Policies may also describe when a service or supply is considered experimental or investigational, or cosmetic. In making coverage decisions, the Plan uses these guidelines and other Plan Policies, as well as the Member’s benefit document, and when appropriate, coordinates with the Member’s health care Providers to consider the individual Member’s health care needs.

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Plan Policies are developed in accordance with applicable state and federal laws and regulations, and accrediting organization standards (including NCQA). Medical Policies are also developed, as appropriate, with consideration of the medical necessity definitions in various Plan products, review of current literature, consultation with practicing Providers in the Plan's service area who are medical experts in the particular field, and adherence to FDA and other government agency policies. Applicable state or federal mandates, as well as the Member's benefit document, take precedence over these guidelines. Policies are reviewed and updated on an annual basis, or more frequently as needed. Treating providers are solely responsible for the medical advice and treatment of Members.

The use of this Policy is neither a guarantee of payment nor a final prediction of how a specific claim(s) will be adjudicated. Reimbursement is based on many factors, including member eligibility and benefits on the date of service; medical necessity; utilization management guidelines (when applicable); coordination of benefits; adherence with applicable Plan policies and procedures; clinical coding criteria; claim editing logic; and the applicable Plan – Provider agreement.

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