

**Pharmacy Policy**

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**Rinvoq**

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Product Applicability <input type="checkbox"/> <b>All Plan+ Products</b>	
<b>Well Sense Health Plan</b>	<b>Boston Medical Center HealthNet Plan</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> New Hampshire Medicaid	<input type="checkbox"/> MassHealth - MCO
	<input type="checkbox"/> MassHealth - ACO
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Qualified Health Plans/ConnectorCare/Employer Choice Direct
	<input type="checkbox"/> 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:**

- Rinvoq (upadacitinib)

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

<b>Covered Use</b>	All FDA approved indications not otherwise excluded
<b>Exclusion Criteria</b>	Use in combination with biologic DMARDs or potent immunosuppressants
<b>Required Medical Information</b>	Diagnosis of: 1. Moderate to severely active Rheumatoid Arthritis (RA); <b>AND</b> a. An inadequate response, adverse reaction, or contraindication to a trial of Enbrel OR Humira. 2. Psoriatic Arthritis (PsA); <b>AND</b> a. An inadequate response, adverse reaction, or contraindication to a trial of Enbrel OR

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	<p>Humira.</p> <p>3. Moderate to severely active Ulcerative Colitis (UC)</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">a. An inadequate response, intolerance, or contraindication to Humira or a clinical rationale for use of the requested agent instead of Humira [Note: a trial of infliximab or Simponi will also be accepted]</p> <p>4. Moderate to Severe Atopic Dermatitis (AD); <b>AND</b></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">a. An inadequate response, intolerance, or contraindication to a four month trial of at least one systemic therapy ( ex: azathioprine, cyclosporine, mycophenolate mofetil or methotrexate); OR</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">b. An inadequate response, intolerance, or contraindication to a trial of Dupixent or Adbry</p>
<b>Age Restriction</b>	PsA, RA, UC:18 years and older AD: 12 years of age and older
<b>Prescriber Restriction</b>	AD: Prescribed by or in consultation with an allergist, immunologist, or dermatologist RA: Prescribed by or in consultation with a rheumatologist PsA: Prescribed by or in consultation with a dermatologist or rheumatologist UC: Prescribed by or in consultation with a gastroenterologist
<b>Coverage Duration</b>	12 months

**Appendix**

<b>Diagnosis</b>	<b>Non-Biologic DMARD Treatment Options</b>
Rheumatoid Arthritis	<p>Methotrexate</p> <p>Leflunomide</p> <p>Sulfasalazine</p> <p>Azathioprine</p> <p>Hydroxychloroquine</p>
Atopic Dermatitis	<p>Methotrexate</p> <p>Azathioprine</p> <p>Cyclosporine</p> <p>Mycophenolate mofetil</p>

*Note: other trials may be considered on a case-by-case basis*

**Clinical Background Information and References**

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2. Rinvoq (upadacitinib) [prescribing information]. North Chicago, IL: AbbVie Inc; March 2022.
3. US Department of Health and Human Services; Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health. NIOSH list of antineoplastic and other hazardous drugs in healthcare settings

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12/1/2020	1/1/2021	Pharmacy Services	Pharmacy & Therapeutics (P&T) Committee

Policy Revisions History			
Review Date	Summary of Revisions	Revision Effective Date	Approved by
12/1/2020	9.026 Rinvoq Policy retired, new policy created. Removal of T/F of Olumiant, Humira and Enbrel to align with ESI ICCV policy.	1/1/2021	P&T Committee
8/12/2021	P&T Annual Review. Added exclusion criteria; aligned trial and failure criteria with other policies; add table of non-biologic DMARDs; removed reauthorization criteria.	1/1/2022	P&T Committee
1/20/2022	Policy updated to include indication of Psoriatic Arthritis and realigned with ESI ICCV policy.	3/1/2022	P&T Committee
3/7/2022	Policy updated to include indication of Atopic Dermatitis to align with ESI ICCV.	4/1/2022	P&T Committee
4/14/2022	Policy updated to include indication of Ulcerative Colitis.	5/1/2022	P&T Committee

**Next Review Date**

8/2022

**Other Applicable Policies**

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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.

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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