Prior authorization requirements for part B drugs:
Renflexis (infliximab-abda), Rituxan Hyclea (rituximab/hyaluronidase) and Zilretta (triamcinolone acetonide SR)

On February 1, 2018, prior authorization (PA) requirements will change for Part B Injectable/Infusible drugs covered by Amerigroup. The drugs are Renflexis (infliximab-abda), Rituxan Hyclea (rituximab/hyaluronidase) and Zilretta (triamcinolone acetonide SR). Federal and state law, as well as state contract language and CMS guidelines, including definitions and specific contract provisions/exclusions, take precedence over these precertification rules and must be considered first when determining coverage. Noncompliance with new requirements may result in denied claims.

PA requirements will be added to the following part B drugs:
- Renflexis (infliximab-abda): for treatment of Crohn’s disease, pediatric Crohn’s disease, Ulcerative Colitis, Rheumatoid arthritis (in combination with methotrexate), Ankylosing spondylitis, Psoriatic arthritis and Plaque psoriasis (Q5102)

These drugs are currently billed with not otherwise classified (NOC) HCPCS codes J3490, J3590, J9999, C9399:
- Rituxan Hyclea (rituximab/hyaluronidase): for treatment of chronic lymphoid leukemia, diffused large B-cell lymphoma and follicular lymphoma (unlisted, no J code established at this time) (J9999, J3590, J3490, C9399)
- Zilretta (triamcinolone acetonide SR): extended-release formulation for treatment of osteoarthritis in the knees (J3490)

Please note, the above drugs are currently billed under the NOC codes J3490, J3590, J9999, C9399. Since these codes include drugs that are not otherwise covered, if the authorization is denied for medical necessity, the plan’s denial will be for the drug and not the HCPCS.

Not all prior authorization requirements are listed here. Detailed prior authorization requirements are available to contracted providers by accessing the Provider Self-Service Tool at www.Availity.com. Contracted and non-contracted providers who are unable to access Availity may call our Provider Services at the number on the back of the member’s ID card for prior authorization requirements.

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