

# Provider Update

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## **Prior authorization requirements for injectable/infusible drugs: mepolizumab (Nucala) and reslizumab (Cinqair)**

Effective September 1, 2018, prior authorization (PA) requirements will change for injectable/infusible drugs mepolizumab (Nucala®) and reslizumab (Cinqair®). Federal and state law, as well as state contract language and Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services guidelines, including definitions and specific contract provisions/exclusions, take precedence over these PA 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:**

- Mepolizumab (Nucala) — injection, 1 mg (J2182)
- Reslizumab (Cinqair) — injection, 1 mg (J2786)

### **To request PA, you may use one of the following methods:**

- **Web:** <https://www.availity.com>
- **Fax:** 1-800-964-3627
- **Phone:** 1-800-454-3730

Not all PA requirements are listed here. PA requirements are available to contracted and noncontracted providers on our provider website (<https://providers.amerigroup.com/IA> > Quick Tools > Precertification Lookup Tool). Providers may also call us at 1-800-454-3730 for PA requirements.

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