



**Immune Globulins  
Prior Authorization Request**

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**Patient’s Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Patient’s ID:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Patient’s Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Physician’s Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Specialty:** \_\_\_\_\_ **NPI#:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Physician Office Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Physician Office Fax:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Referring Provider Info:**  Same as Requesting Provider  
**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **NPI#:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Fax:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Rendering Provider Info:**  Same as Referring Provider  Same as Requesting Provider  
**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **NPI#:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Fax:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

*Approvals may be subject to dosing limits in accordance with FDA-approved labeling, accepted compendia, and/or evidence-based practice guidelines.*

**Required Demographic Information:**

*Patient Weight:* \_\_\_\_\_ kg

*Patient Height:* \_\_\_\_\_ cm

*Please indicate the place of service for the requested drug:*

- Ambulatory Surgical  Home  Inpatient Hospital  Off Campus Outpatient Hospital
- On Campus Outpatient Hospital  Office  Pharmacy

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**Site of Service Questions:** *If using Ig subcutaneously, please skip to Criteria Questions.*

- A. Indicate the site of service requested:  Off Campus Outpatient Hospital  
 On Campus Outpatient Hospital  Physician office, *skip to Clinical Questions*  
 Home infusion, *skip to Clinical Questions*  Pharmacy, *skip to Clinical Questions*  
 Ambulatory surgical, *skip to Clinical Questions*  Inpatient hospital, *skip to Clinical Questions*
- B. Is the patient less than 21 years old or 65 years of age or older?  
 Yes – less than 21 years old  
 Yes – age 65 years or older, *skip to Criteria Questions*  
 No, *Skip to Question D.*
- C. After tolerance of the medication has been established, would this patient be a candidate to receive Ig therapy in a setting other than the hospital? *Indicate and skip to Criteria Questions*  Yes  No
- D. Is the Ig being requested to treat an urgent medical condition?  
 Yes - Myasthenic crisis with respiratory impairment, *skip to Criteria Questions*  
 Yes - Acute ITP with bleeding, *skip to Criteria Questions*  
 Yes - Kawasaki disease, *skip to Criteria Questions*  
 Yes - Guillain-Barre syndrome, *skip to Criteria Questions*  
 Yes – Other \_\_\_\_\_, *skip to Criteria Questions*  
 No
- E. Is the request for a new therapy start or is this a new branded product of Ig that the patient has not received previously or is this a continuation of an existing treatment?  
 This is a new therapy start, *skip to Criteria Questions*  
 This is a new branded product of Ig, *skip to Criteria Questions*  
 This is a continuation of existing treatment
- F. Has the patient experienced moderate to severe adverse reactions with Ig use that have not responded to conventional interventions e.g. acetaminophen, steroids, diphenhydramine, fluids or other pre-medications to immune globulin therapy? ***ACTION REQUIRED: Attach supporting clinical documentation.***  
 Yes, *skip to Criteria Questions*  No
- G. Does the patient have laboratory confirmed autoantibodies to IgA? ***ACTION REQUIRED: Attach supporting clinical documentation.***  Yes, *skip to Criteria Questions*  No
- H. Has the patient previously experienced a severe adverse event during or immediately after an infusion including but not limited to: anaphylaxis, anaphylactoid reactions, myocardial infarction, thromboembolism, or seizures? ***ACTION REQUIRED: Attach supporting clinical documentation.***  Yes, *skip to Criteria Questions*  No
- I. Does the patient have an inability to tolerate a large volume load and the dose cannot be divided into several smaller infusions? ***ACTION REQUIRED: Attach supporting clinical documentation.***  
 Yes, *skip to Criteria Questions*  No
- J. Is the patient medically unstable which may include respiratory, cardiovascular, or renal conditions that may predispose the member to a severe adverse event that cannot be managed in an alternate setting without appropriate medical personnel and equipment? ***ACTION REQUIRED: Attach supporting clinical documentation.***  
 Yes, *skip to Criteria Questions*  No
- K. Does the patient have severe venous access issues that require the use of a phlebotomist? ***ACTION REQUIRED: Attach supporting clinical documentation.***  Yes, *skip to Criteria Questions*  No
- L. Has the patient's home been previously determined to be inappropriate for home infusion by a social worker, case manager, or previous home care nurse assessment AND other non-hospital sites of service are not within a reasonable distance from the patient's home? ***ACTION REQUIRED: Attach supporting clinical documentation.***  
 Yes  No

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**Criteria Questions:**

1. What drug is being prescribed?  
 Bivigam  Flebogamma DIF  Gammagard Liquid  Gammagard S/D  Gammaked  Gammaplex  
 Gamunex-C  Octagam  Panzyga  Privigen  Other \_\_\_\_\_
2. *If applicable*, will Gammagard Liquid, Gamunex-C, or Gammaked be administered subcutaneously?  
 Yes  No
3. What is the diagnosis?  
 Primary immunodeficiency (eg, common variable immunodeficiency, X-linked agammaglobulinemia, severe combined immunodeficiency, Wiskott-Aldrich syndrome)  
 Myasthenia gravis  
 Chronic inflammatory demyelinating polyneuropathy (CIDP)  
 Dermatomyositis  
 Polymyositis  
 Immune thrombocytopenic purpura (ITP)  
 Multifocal motor neuropathy  
 Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection  
 B-cell chronic lymphocytic leukemia (CLL)  
 Bone marrow transplant/hematopoietic stem cell transplant recipient  
 Immune checkpoint inhibitor related nervous system toxicity  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_  
 Guillain-Barré syndrome  
 Lambert-Eaton myasthenic syndrome  
 Parvovirus B19-induced pure red cell aplasia  
 Kawasaki syndrome (pediatric)  
 Fetal/neonatal alloimmunethrombocytopenia  
 Stiff-person syndrome
4. What is the ICD-10 code? \_\_\_\_\_

**Complete the following section based on the patient's diagnosis, if applicable.**

Section A: Primary Immunodeficiency

5. Is this request for continuation of immune globulin therapy (intravenous or subcutaneous)?  
 Yes  No *If No, skip to #10*
6. Has the patient experienced a reduction in the frequency of bacterial infections since starting immune globulin therapy?  Yes  No
7. Does the prescriber measure trough IgG levels at least once per year?  
 Yes  No  Not applicable for diagnosis
8. **ACTION REQUIRED: Please indicate and attach a copy of the current (on-treatment) trough IgG level (if applicable).**  
a) Trough IgG (total) level: \_\_\_\_\_ mg/dL  
b) Is the trough IgG level at or above the lower normal reference range for age?  Yes  No  
c) Is a trough IgG level not applicable for the patient's diagnosis?  Yes  No
9. If applicable, will the prescriber re-evaluate the dose of immune globulin and consider a dose adjustment (when clinically appropriate)?  Yes  No  Not applicable/not clinically appropriate  
*No further questions*
10. What is the specific immunodeficiency disorder?  
 Common variable immunodeficiency (CVID)  
 Hypogammaglobulinemia (unspecified) or other predominant antibody deficiency disorder,  
*specify:* \_\_\_\_\_  
 IgG subclass deficiency  
 Selective IgA deficiency  
 Selective IgM deficiency  
 Severe combined immunodeficiency (SCID), *specify:* \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other non-SCID combined immunodeficiency disorder, *specify:* \_\_\_\_\_  
 Congenital agammaglobulinemia (eg, X-linked or autosomal recessive agammaglobulinemia)  
 Specific antibody deficiency  
 Other immunodeficiency disorder/none of the above, *specify:* \_\_\_\_\_

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11. **ACTION REQUIRED: Please indicate and attach a copy of the following pre-treatment laboratory information (where applicable):**

IgG (total) level: \_\_\_\_\_ mg/dL

a) Is IgG (total) level within the normal reference range?  Yes  No

b) If No, is the IgG level greater than or equal to ( $\geq$ ) 2 SD below the mean for age?  Yes  No

IgG subclass levels:

a) IgG1 \_\_\_\_\_ mg/dL

b) IgG2 \_\_\_\_\_ mg/dL

c) IgG3 \_\_\_\_\_ mg/dL

d) Other \_\_\_\_\_

e) Are the IgG subclass levels within the normal reference range?  Yes  No

f) If No, is the level(s) greater than or equal to ( $\geq$ ) 2 SD below the mean for age?  Yes  No

g) Were IgG subclass levels measured on at least 2 different occasions?  Yes  No

IgA level: \_\_\_\_\_ mg/dL

a) Is the IgA level within the normal reference range?  Yes  No

IgM level: \_\_\_\_\_ mg/dL

a) Is the IgM level within the normal reference range?  Yes  No

12. If applicable, was the diagnosis confirmed by molecular or genetic testing? **ACTION REQUIRED: If Yes, attach laboratory report or other medical record that shows the results of molecular/genetic testing.**

Yes  No  Not applicable to diagnosis

13. *If diagnosis is severe combined immunodeficiency*, are maternal T cells present in the circulation?

*If Yes, no further questions*  Yes  No

14. *If diagnosis is severe combined immunodeficiency*, what is the patient's CD3 T cell count? \_\_\_\_\_ per microliter **ACTION REQUIRED: Attach a copy of the laboratory report with lymphocyte subset enumeration by flow cytometry. No further questions**

15. *If diagnosis is common variable immunodeficiency*, have other causes of immune deficiency been excluded (eg, drugs, infectious disease, malignancy)?  Yes  No

16. Was the immune globulin therapy initiated in the hospital setting?  Yes  No

17. Has the patient demonstrated an impaired antibody response to vaccination with a pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccine? **ACTION REQUIRED: If Yes, attach laboratory report with post-vaccination titers.**  Yes  No

18. Does the patient have a history of recurrent bacterial infections (eg, pneumonia, otitis media, sinusitis, sepsis, gastrointestinal infections)?  Yes  No

## Neurologic Indications

### Section B: Chronic Inflammatory Demyelinating Polyneuropathy (CIDP)

19. Is this request for continuation of immune globulin therapy (intravenous)? *If Yes, skip to #22*  Yes  No

20. Does the patient have moderate to severe functional disability?  Yes  No

21. Were electrodiagnostic studies (electromyography [EMG] or nerve conduction studies [NCS]) and the evaluation of cerebrospinal fluid (when available) performed to confirm the diagnosis? **ACTION REQUIRED: If Yes, attach a copy of the EMG or NCS test results.**  Yes  No *No further questions*

22. Has the patient demonstrated significant improvement in disability and/or maintenance of improvement since starting IVIG therapy?  Yes  No

23. Is IVIG being used at the lowest effective dose and frequency?  Yes  No

### Section C: Multifocal Motor Neuropathy (MMN)

24. Is this request for continuation of immune globulin therapy (intravenous)? *If Yes, skip to #32*  Yes  No

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25. Does the patient have weakness without objective sensory loss in 2 or more nerves?  Yes  No
26. Were electrodiagnostic studies (electromyography [EMG] or nerve conduction studies [NCS]) performed to confirm the diagnosis? ***ACTION REQUIRED: If Yes, attach a copy of the EMG or NCS test results.***  
 Yes  No

Section D: Dermatomyositis (DM) or Polymyositis (PM)

27. Is this request for continuation of immune globulin therapy (intravenous)? *If Yes, skip to #32*  Yes  No
28. Was the diagnosis established by the presence of specific clinical features (eg, proximal weakness, rash) AND elevated muscle enzyme levels?  Yes  No
29. Were electrodiagnostic studies (electromyography [EMG] or nerve conduction studies [NCS]) and the muscle biopsy (when available) performed to confirm the diagnosis? ***ACTION REQUIRED: If Yes, attach a copy of the EMG or NCS test results.***  Yes  No
30. Was standard first-line treatment (corticosteroids or immunosuppressants) tried but was unsuccessful or not tolerated? *If Yes, no further questions*  Yes  No
31. Is the patient unable to receive standard first-line therapy because of a contraindication or other clinical reason?  Yes  No

For patients with MMN, DM or PM continuing with IVIG therapy

32. Has the patient demonstrated significant improvement in disability and/or maintenance of improvement since starting IVIG therapy?  Yes  No

Section E: Myasthenia Gravis

33. What is the primary reason IVIG is being prescribed?  
 Acute exacerbation/crisis  Pre-operative management (eg, prior to thymectomy)  
 Worsening weakness  Refractory myasthenia gravis *Skip to #36*  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_
34. Does the patient have severe swallowing difficulty and/or respiratory failure?  Yes  No
35. Does the patient have weakness with an increase in any of the following symptoms: diplopia, ptosis, blurred vision, difficulty speaking (dysarthria), difficulty swallowing (dysphagia), difficulty chewing, impaired respiratory status, fatigue, or limb weakness?  Yes  No *No further questions*
36. Has the patient tried and failed 2 or more of standard therapies (eg, corticosteroids, azathioprine, cyclosporine, mycophenolate mofetil, rituximab)?  Yes  No

Section F: Lambert-Eaton Myasthenic Syndrome

37. Has the diagnosis been confirmed by neurophysiology studies (e.g., electromyography) or a positive anti- P/Q type voltage-gated calcium channel antibody test? ***ACTION REQUIRED: If Yes, please attach a copy of the laboratory report, neurophysiology study report or other supporting medical record(s).***  
 Yes - Neurophysiology studies  
 Yes - Positive anti- P/Q type voltage-gated calcium channel antibody test  
 No

**ITP and Other Hematologic Indications**

Section G: Immune Thrombocytopenic Purpura (ITP)

38. Is the patient a pregnant woman?  Yes  No  
*If Yes, provide estimated date of delivery and no further questions: \_\_\_\_\_*
39. Is the patient an adult with refractory ITP after splenectomy? *If Yes, skip to #41*  Yes  No

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40. What is the classification of ITP?
- Newly-diagnosed ITP (diagnosed within the past 3 months)
  - Previously untreated ITP (initial therapy)
  - Chronic or persistent ITP (greater than or equal to  $\geq$  3 months from diagnosis)
  - ITP unresponsive to first-line treatment
  - Other \_\_\_\_\_
41. What is the current pre-treatment platelet count? \_\_\_\_\_ /mL ( $\times 10^9/L$ )
42. Does the patient have significant bleeding symptoms (eg, mucosal bleeding or other moderate to severe bleeding)?  
 Yes  No
43. Is the patient at high risk for bleeding or does the patient require a rapid increase in platelets?  
***ACTION REQUIRED: If Yes, indicate the risk factors for bleeding or reason for a rapid increase in platelets.***
- Undergoing a medical or dental procedure where blood loss is anticipated
  - Comorbidity (eg, peptic ulcer disease or hypertension)
  - Mandated anticoagulation therapy
  - Profession or lifestyle predisposes the patient to trauma (eg, construction worker, fireman, professional athlete)
  - Other \_\_\_\_\_
  - No, not at high risk or does not require rapid increase in platelets
44. Will IVIG be used alone (monotherapy) or given in combination with corticosteroid therapy?  
*If Yes, no further questions*  Yes  No
45. Does the patient have relapsed ITP after a previous response to IVIG therapy?  
*If Yes, no further questions*  Yes  No
46. Does the patient have a history of inadequate response, intolerance or a contraindication to corticosteroid or anti-D therapy?  Yes  No

**Indications related to CLL, HIV, BMT/HSCT, or Immune Checkpoint Inhibitor-Related Adverse Events**

47. Is this request for continuation of immune globulin therapy (intravenous)? *If Yes, skip to #54*  Yes  No
48. What is the patient's pre-treatment IgG level? \_\_\_\_\_ mg/dL ***ACTION REQUIRED: Attach laboratory report with the pre-treatment IgG level.***

*Complete to the following section based on the patient's diagnosis, if applicable.*

Section H: B-Cell CLL and BMT/HSCT Transplant Recipients

49. Is IVIG prescribed for prophylaxis of bacterial infections?  Yes  No
50. Does the patient have a history of recurrent sinopulmonary infections requiring intravenous antibiotics or hospitalization?  Yes  No
51. If applicable, has the patient received a bone marrow/hematopoietic stem cell transplant within the past 100 days?  
 Yes  No

Section I: Pediatric HIV Infection

52. Is IVIG prescribed for prophylaxis of bacterial infections?
- Yes, primary prophylaxis
  - Yes, secondary prophylaxis
  - No, not used for prophylaxis of bacterial infections
53. Does the patient have a history of recurrent bacterial infections (greater than  $>$  2 serious bacterial infections in a 1-year period)?  Yes  No

For patients with CLL, HIV or BMT/HSCT recipients continuing with IVIG therapy

54. Has the patient experienced a reduction in the frequency of bacterial infections since starting IVIG therapy?  
 Yes  No

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Section J: Immune Checkpoint Inhibitor-Related Adverse Events

55. Has the patient experienced a moderate or severe adverse event to a PD-1 inhibitor (e.g., pembrolizumab, nivolumab) or PD-L1 inhibitor (e.g., atezolizumab, avelumab, durvalumab)?  Yes  No
56. Is the offending drug being temporarily held or has it been discontinued permanently?  Yes  No
57. Which of the following adverse events did the patient experience?  
 Pneumonitis  Myasthenia gravis  Peripheral neuropathy  Encephalitis  Transverse myelitis  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

*I attest that this information is accurate and true, and that documentation supporting this information is available for review if requested by CVS Caremark or the benefit plan sponsor.*

X \_\_\_\_\_

Prescriber or Authorized Signature

Date (mm/dd/yy)

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