

Follow these steps to submit prior authorization requests when prescribing drugs covered under the medical benefit for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and Blue Care Network commercial members.

## Michigan prescribers

To submit prior authorization requests electronically, first register for Availity® Essentials, our provider portal; refer to the [Register for web tools](#) page at bcbsm.com for details. Then:

1. Log in to [availity.com](#)\*
2. Click *Payer Spaces* on the menu bar and click the BCBSM and BCN logo.
3. On the Applications tab, click the tile for the appropriate NovoLogix web tool.
4. Within NovoLogix, click the *Authorizations* menu and select *Create Authorization*.
5. Enter the member's details and select the correct member on the contract.
6. Complete the required fields. This includes selecting the correct drug in the "Authorization Lines" section.
7. Click *Submit*, complete the protocol questions and click *Done*.

If you're registered for Availity but are not able to access it, submit your prior authorization request using the *Medication Authorization Request Form*, or MARF, that's on the next page.

## Non-Michigan prescribers

When submitting a prior authorization request for the first time, prescribers located outside of Michigan should complete and submit:

- The *Medication Authorization Request Form*, or MARF, that's on the next page
- The [Application for access to NovoLogix for non-Michigan prescribers](#)

Submit these documents to the fax number or address that's on the MARF. Once we approve the request for access, we'll provide information about how to access the NovoLogix tool so that you can submit subsequent prior authorization requests electronically.

Note: Access to NovoLogix is available only to registered users. You must include a valid Type 1 (individual) NPI on the application for access to NovoLogix.

## Information about NovoLogix

For more information about the NovoLogix web tool, look under the Training Resources heading on these webpages:

- [Blue Cross Medical-Benefit Drugs](#)
- [BCN Medical-Benefit Drugs](#)

If you need help with the NovoLogix tool, contact the Web Support Help Desk at 1-877-258-3932.

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**Blue Cross Blue Shield/Blue Care Network of Michigan**  
**Medication Authorization Request Form**  
**Qalsody (tofersen)**  
**HCPCS CODE: J1304**



This form is to be used by participating physicians to obtain coverage for Qalsody. For commercial members only, please complete this form and submit via fax to 1-877-325-5979. If you have any questions regarding this process, please contact BCBSM Provider Relations and Servicing or the Medical Drug Helpdesk at 1-800-437-3803 for assistance.

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PATIENT INFORMATION	PHYSICIAN INFORMATION
Name	Name
ID Number	Specialty
D.O.B. <span style="float:right"><input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female</span>	Address
Diagnosis	City /State/Zip
Drug Name <span style="float:right"><input type="checkbox"/> Qalsody</span>	Phone/Fax: P: (    ) -         F: (    ) -
Dose and Quantity	NPI
Directions	Contact Person
Date of Service(s)	Contact Person Phone / Ext.

**STEP 1: DISEASE STATE INFORMATION**

1. Is this request for:  Initiation  Continuation of therapy *Date patient started therapy:* \_\_\_\_\_

2. Please provide the NPI number for the place of administration: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Please specify the location of administration (e.g. name of facility): \_\_\_\_\_

**4. Initiation AND Continuation of therapy:**

a. What is the patient's diagnosis?

- Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS)  
 Other – *please specify diagnosis:* \_\_\_\_\_

b. Does the patient have a confirmed superoxide dismutase 1 (SOD1) mutation? ***(Please attach any tests confirming diagnosis)***

- Yes  
 No, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

c. What is the patient's current predicted vital capacity (%)? \_\_\_\_\_

d. What is the patient's baseline score from ALS Functional Rating scale(ALSFRS-R)? \_\_\_\_\_

e. Is the patient receiving treatment with riluzole and will the patient continue to receive treatment with riluzole?

- Yes  No *Comment* \_\_\_\_\_

**5. Continuation of therapy**

a. If the patient is continuing therapy, please give the patient's current disease status since beginning treatment:

- Improved: Please describe: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Stable; Please describe: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Worsened; Please describe: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other; Please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

6. *Please add any other supporting medical information necessary for our review*

**Coverage will not be provided if the prescribing physician's signature and date are not reflected on this document.**

Request for expedited review: I certify that applying the standard review time frame may seriously jeopardize the life or health of the member or the member's ability to regain maximum function

<b>Physician's Name</b>	<b>Physician Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>
<b>Step 2:</b> Checklist	<input type="checkbox"/> Form Completely Filled Out <input type="checkbox"/> Attached necessary chart notes	<input type="checkbox"/> Important laboratory results
<b>Step 3:</b> Submit	<b>By Fax: BCBSM Specialty Pharmacy Mailbox</b> 1-877-325-5979	<b>By Mail: BCBSM Specialty Pharmacy Program</b> P.O. Box 312320, Detroit, MI 48231-2320

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