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On May 1, 2020, Lemtrada\(^{(1),(2)}\) and Tysabri\(^{(2)}\) will be added to the site-of-care program for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and Blue Care Network commercial members.

This means that for dates of service on or after May 1, 2020, authorization requests for these medications may not be approved unless the drugs are administered in certain sites of care.

These requirements will apply to requests for Blue Cross’ PPO and BCN HMO members.

About Lemtrada and Tysabri

What types of medications are Lemtrada and Tysabri?
Lemtrada and Tysabri are medications approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for the treatment of multiple sclerosis. They are considered disease-modifying therapies, or DMTs, and are used to slow disease progression, treat relapses and lower relapse rates. They are intravenously infused by a health care provider and are covered under a member’s medical benefit.

Lemtrada and Tysabri are each associated with the Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategy, or REMS, program, a drug safety program the FDA requires to ensure that the benefits of a medication outweigh its risks. Providers and infusion locations must be REMS certified to administer these therapies.

What is multiple sclerosis?
Multiple sclerosis, or MS, is a chronic disease that affects the central nervous system, or CNS, which is made up of the brain, spinal cord and optic nerves. It is thought to be
an immune-mediated disorder, in which the immune system incorrectly attacks healthy tissue in the CNS.

**About the site-of-care program**

**What is the site-of-care program?**
For members receiving clinically appropriate injectable or infusible drugs, the site-of-care program redirects members from a setting with a high cost of care to an alternative treatment site with a low cost of care, such as a provider’s office or an ambulatory infusion center.

The member receives treatment with the same drug, at the same dose and frequency, in a location that may be more convenient.

**Will members be required to change their treatment location?**
Members who receive Lemtrada or Tysabri infusions at a provider’s office or an ambulatory infusion site won’t need to make any changes. These members may continue to receive infusions at those locations.

For members who receive infusions at an outpatient hospital facility, Blue Cross and BCN will work with the member and infusion provider to determine whether there’s a more convenient, REMS-approved location in which they can receive therapy.

**Where are the approved treatment locations in Michigan?**
The approved treatment locations in Michigan are listed in the table below.

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| Coram® CVS Specialty® Infusion Services | [coramhc.com*](http://coramhc.com) | **Kentwood location:**  
4334 Brockton Drive SE, Suite D  
Kentwood, MI 49512-4118  
Phone: 1-800-323-5308 / 616-698-0272  
Fax: 248-324-6301  
**Novi location:**  
28550 Cabot Drive, Suite 200  
Novi, MI 48377-2988  
Phone: 1-800-323-5308 / 248-324-6300  
Fax: 248-324-6301 |
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Frequently asked questions for providers
For Blue Cross’ PPO (commercial) and BCN HMO℠ (commercial) members
April 2020

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| MIND (Michigan Institute for Neurological Disorders) | mindonline.com* | Phone: 248-553-0010  
Fax: 248-553-6201  
Email: info@mindonline.com  
**Dearborn Heights location:**  
25150 Ford Road, Suite 100  
Dearborn Heights, MI 48127  
**Farmington Hills location:**  
28595 Orchard Lake Road, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, MI 48334  
**Grand Rapids location:**  
4130 Breton Ave SE Suite B  
Kentwood, MI 49512  
**Madison Heights location:**  
27301 Dequindre, Suite 103  
Madison Heights, MI 48071 |
| Option Care Health™ | optioncare.com* | **Farmington Hills location:**  
7005 Hills Tech Court  
Farmington Hills, MI 48331  
Phone: 248-848-1073  
Fax: 248-553-6201  
**Grand Rapids location:**  
1255 Michigan Street NE  
Grand Rapids, MI 49503  
Phone: 616-228-9501  
Fax: 616-588-6346  
**Troy location:**  
1500 W. Big Beaver Rd, Suite 100  
Troy, MI 48084  
Phone: 248-617-2580  
Fax: 248-928-5302 |

Where are the approved treatment locations outside of Michigan?  
To find approved treatment locations outside of Michigan:

- For Lemtrada, visit lemtradarems.com.*  
- For Tysabri, visit Tysabri’s infusion site finder* at tysabri.com.*
Additional information

Where can members learn more?
We encourage members to talk to their health care provider if they have questions about their multiple sclerosis treatment.

Members who have questions about their benefits can call the Customer Service number on the back of the Blue Cross or BCN member ID card. Customer Service hours of operation are 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, except holidays. TTY users should call 711.

(1) Restriction on transition will be limited to select locations based on safety protocols that are in place for adverse reactions.

(2) Based on REMS program restrictions, the administration of Lemtrada and Tysabri is limited to authorized locations.

References:

Multiple Sclerosis and Neuroinflammation Center. Weil Institute for Neurosciences, University of California San Francisco. https://multiplesclerosis.ucsf.edu/education_and_support/about_multiple_sclerosis*

Multiple sclerosis FAQs. National Multiple Sclerosis Society. nationalmssociety.org/What-is-MS/MS-FAQ-s*

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