Biosimilar Products

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Disclaimer:

1. Policies are subject to change in accordance with Federal and State notice requirements.
2. Policies outline coverage determinations for all members and clients of University of Utah Health Plans. Refer to the "Policy" and "Lines of Business" section for more information.

Purpose

To define the conditions under which biosimilar products may be covered.

Medications

1. Preferred agents must have clinical documentation of an adequate trial and failure or contraindication/intolerance before a request for a non-preferred medication may be considered.
2. Non-Preferred medications will be considered if FDA labeling is only for the originator Brand Product.

Product	Preferred 1st Line	Preferred 2nd Line	Non-preferred
infliximab	Renflexis		Inflectra, Remicade
rituximab	Ruxience	Truxima	Rituxan
bevacizumab	Mvasi, Zirabev		Avastin
trastuzumab	Kanjinti, Trazimera	Ogivri	Herceptin, Herzuma

Policy/Coverage

1. Prior Authorization

A. Biosimilar products may be considered medically necessary if the following criteria are met:

i. The product is approved by the FDA as a biosimilar to the reference product.

ii. The member meets criteria for the biosimilar or reference product according to the respective disease state.

iii. The biosimilar is cost effective compared to the reference product, in which case it will be preferred over the reference product. If the biosimilar is not

considered cost effective compared to the reference product, a trial and failure of or intolerance to the reference product must be documented.

iv. The Health Plan reserves the right to require whichever biosimilar is most cost effective.

Lines of Business

1. **University of Utah Health Plans**
    A. Healthy U
    B. Commercial Groups
    C. Individual Exchange
2. **Mountain Health Co-Op**
    A. Commercial Groups
    B. Individual Exchange
3. **Medicare Advantage**
    A. Advantage U

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