PHARMACY POLICY STATEMENT
Marketplace

DRUG NAME	**Orencia (abatacept)**
BENEFIT TYPE	Medical or

02/26/2019	Humira trial removed from criteria; Actemra, Cimzia, Kevzara, Olumiant, Otezla and Xeljanz added to trial agents. Clarifications entered for PsA on NSAIDs trial length. TB test allowed to be done within 12 months prior to initiation of therapy; chest x-ray option removed. References added.
11/22/2020	Replaced list of excluded diagnoses with the generic statement. Updated references. For all diagnoses: Removed repeat TB in reauth for all diagnoses. Updated dosing sections. JIA: Changed trials to require one non-biologic DMARD. Specified name to be pJIA. Removed 6 months of active disease and 5 or more joints involved. PsA: Added requirement of diagnosis of PsA. Changed the trial section to be 4 weeks of an NSAID AND 3 months of a DMARD unless other circumstances apply (e.g., concomitant axial disease, severe PsA, etc.). RA: Changed the trials to require methotrexate as one of the non-biologic DMARD trials; only one trial is needed if member has poor prognostic factors.
01/04/2022	Transferred to new template. Added new section for aGVHD prophylaxis (also had to add "inpatient" to site of service). RA: Added new reference. Edited the terminology "non-biologic" DMARD to "conventional" DMARD. Changed from requiring 2 csDMARD to just 1. Changed second step to say at least 2 preferred biologics (previously listed specific drugs including some JAK inhibitors). PsA: Clarified reauthorization criteria. Edited the terminology "non-biologic" DMARD to "conventional" DMARD. Updated wording for preferred biologic trials.
11/15/2023	PsA: lowered age limit from 18 to 2 years of age and added pediatric dosing.

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