

Member Name: _____ Member ID: _____ Member DOB: _____
Drug Name: _____ Strength: _____ Directions: _____
Physician Name: _____ Physician Phone #: _____ Specialty: _____
Physician Fax #: _____ Pharmacy Name: _____ Pharmacy Phone: _____

Horizon NJ Health
Immunotherapy (Grastek, Oralair, Ragwitek, Odactra, Palforzia) – Medical Necessity Request
*****Complete pages 1 and 2 only for New/Initial Requests*****

General Information

1. Which specialist is managing the medication: Allergist Immunologist Other _____
2. Does member have an active prescription for an epinephrine injection? **Yes or No**

Diagnosis Information (please indicate the diagnosis and answer the related questions):

1. What is member being treated for?
 Grass pollen induced allergic rhinitis Ragweed pollen induced allergic rhinitis
 House dust mite (HDM)-induced allergic rhinitis Peanut allergy
 Other _____

For Grastek, Oralair, Ragwitek, and Odactra requests:

1. **Contraindication Information** (does the member have any of the following contraindications?):
 Severe, unstable or uncontrolled asthma
 History of any severe systemic allergic reaction
 History of any severe local reaction after taking any sublingual allergen immunotherapy
 History of Eosinophilic Esophagitis
 Hypersensitivity to any of the inactive ingredients
 None
2. Will the first dose be administered in the healthcare setting? **Yes or No**
3. When is member planning to start therapy (i.e., how many weeks before expected onset of pollen season)?

4. Does the member plan to continue throughout season? **Yes or No**
5. Did member have a positive skin prick test or in vitro testing for IgE antibodies? **Yes or No**
- **If Yes**, please indicate which antibody tested positive:
 Sweet Vernal Timothy Dermatophagoides farinae HDM
 Orchard Kentucky Blue Grass Dermatophagoides pteronyssinus HDM
 Perennial Rye Short Ragweed Other: _____
 Meadow Fescue Redtop
6. Has member tried and failed oral antihistamine(s)?
 Yes - Please provide the names of the medications tried and failed:

 No – Can the member try an oral antihistamine (OTC cetirizine, OTC loratadine, Fexofenadine 60mg or 180mg) instead?
 Yes - please provide the name of the new medication, call the prescription for the new medication into the pharmacy, then return form to HNJH.

 No - provide the reason why member cannot try an oral antihistamine instead.

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7. Has member tried and failed intranasal antihistamine(s)?

Yes - Please provide the names of the medications tried and failed:

 No – Can the member try an intranasal antihistamine (Generic Astelin) instead?

Yes - please provide the name of the new medication, call the prescription for the new medication into the pharmacy, then return form to HNJH.

 No - provide the reason why member cannot try an intranasal antihistamine instead.

8. Has member tried and failed intranasal corticosteroid(s)?

Yes - Please provide the names of the medications tried and failed:

 No – Can the member try an intranasal corticosteroid (Fluticasone, OTC Nasacort 24HR) instead?

Yes - please provide the name of the new medication, call the prescription for the new medication into the pharmacy, then return form to HNJH.

 No - provide the reason why member cannot try an intranasal corticosteroid instead.

9. Has member tried and failed Subcutaneous Allergen Immunotherapy?

Yes

No – Can the member try Subcutaneous Allergen Immunotherapy instead?

Yes

No - provide the reason why member cannot try Subcutaneous Allergen immunotherapy instead.

For Palforzia requests:

1. Does the member have a confirmed diagnosis of peanut allergy (e.g., positive skin prick test, or elevated Serum immunoglobulin E (IgE) level to peanut, or history of peanut allergy)? **Yes or No**
2. Does the member have a history of peanut allergy or allergy to peanut-containing foods? **Yes or No**
3. Will Palforzia be used together with peanut-avoidant diet? **Yes or No**
4. Will initial dose and the first dose of each up-dosing phase be administered under the supervision of a healthcare professional in a health care setting with the ability to manage potentially severe allergic reactions, including anaphylaxis? **Yes or No**
5. **Contraindication Information** (does the member have any of the following contraindications?):
 - Uncontrolled asthma
 - History of Eosinophilic Esophagitis or other eosinophilic gastrointestinal disease
 - None

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*****Complete page 3 only for Subsequent Requests*****

For Palforzia requests:

1. Does the member continue to have a peanut-free diet to avoid peanut exposure? **Yes or No**
2. Has the member had accidental peanut exposure? **Yes or No**
 - a. If **Yes**, please let us know if the member has had clinical benefit with the requested agent (e.g. member has no more than mild symptoms during a food challenge, member shows reduction in severity of symptoms at any challenge dose of peanut protein, etc.)? **Yes or No**
3. Does member have an active prescription for an epinephrine injection? **Yes or No**
4. Please let us know if the member has any of the following (check all that apply):
 - Member is unable to tolerate doses up to and including the 3mg dose during Initial Dose Escalation
 - Member has suspected eosinophilic esophagitis
 - Member is unable to comply with the daily dosing requirements
 - Member has recurrent asthma exacerbations or persistent loss of asthma control
 - None of the above

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