

**Optima Health Community Care
And
Optima Family Care
(Medicaid)
Synagis® Prior Authorization Criteria**

1. Is the infant's gestational age < 28 wks, 6 days and chronological age less than 12 months old?
 Yes (If Yes, go to #8) No (If No, go to #2)
2. Is the infant's gestational age 29 wks up to 31 wks, 6 days and chronological age less than 6 months old?
 Yes (If Yes, go to #8) No (If No, go to #3)
3. Chronic lung disease of prematurity (gestational age < 32 wks, 0 days) **AND** patient's CA < 12 months old at start of RSV season and required > 21% oxygen for at least 28 days after birth.
 Yes (If Yes, go to #8) No (If No, go to #4)
4. Is the infant's chronological age < 12 months with a diagnosis of congenital abnormalities of the airway or neuromuscular disease that compromises handling of respiratory secretions? Supporting documentation* of diagnosis/ICD-10 code **MUST** be included.
 Yes (If Yes, go to #8) No (If No, go to #5)
5. Is the patient less than 24 months of age with a diagnosis of Chronic Lung Disease (CLD) of prematurity (defined as gestational age less than 32 weeks) and has received medical therapy (supplemental oxygen [$>$ 21% for at least 28 days, vent not required], diuretic, or chronic corticosteroid therapy) within 6 months before the start of the RSV season or who continue to require medical therapy (as defined above). Supporting documentation* of diagnosis./ICD-10 code and medical therapy **MUST** be included.
 Yes (If Yes, go to #8) No (If No, go to #6)
6. Is the patient 12 months of age or younger with a diagnosis of hemodynamically significant Congenital Heart Disease (CHD) with one of the following:
 - a. Congenital heart disease patient who is receiving medication to control congestive heart failure (CHF),
OR
 - b. Moderate to severe pulmonary hypertention². **OR**
 - c. Cyanotic heart disease with no or incomplete surgical correction of defect²?Supporting documentation* of diagnosis/ICD-10 code as well as medications (if applicable) **MUST** be included.
 Yes (If Yes for 6a, 6b or 6c, go to #8) No (If No, go to #7)
7. Is the patient less than 24 months of age and severely immunocompromised?
 Yes (If Yes, go to #8)
 No (If No, must be reviewed by Pharmacist or Medical Director)
8. Is the patient currently an outpatient and has not been enrolled as an inpatient within 2-weeks of the date the Synagis® is requested?
Enter discharge date (if applicable) _____
 Yes (If Yes, approve request)
 No (If No, prior authorization **MUST** be given to be effective 2 weeks post-hospital discharge)

One of the first 6 criteria and the final criterion **MUST** be met before approval can be granted. Documentation of the hospital discharge summary from birth or documentation of the first office visit with pertinent information (gestational age, diagnosis, etc.) is required on all Synagis® PA requests. **RSV prophylaxis approval will terminate March 31. RSV season is defined by the Virginia Medicaid Agency as October 1 through March 31.**