

## OPTIMA HEALTH COMMUNITY CARE PHARMACY PRIOR AUTHORIZATION/STEP-EDIT REQUEST\*

Directions: The prescribing physician must sign and clearly print name (preprinted stamps not valid) on this request. All other information may be filled in by office staff; fax to 1-800-319-5003. No additional phone calls will be necessary if all information (including phone and fax #s) on this form is correct. Incomplete forms will delay authorization process.

**Drug Requested:            Celebrex® (celecoxib)                    MEDICAID ONLY**  
***[Non-Preferred Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatory Drugs (NSAIDs)]***

**DRUG INFORMATION: Complete information below. If incomplete, authorization process will be delayed.**

Drug Form: \_\_\_\_\_ Strength: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Dosing Frequency: \_\_\_\_\_ Length of Therapy: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Diagnosis: \_\_\_\_\_ ICD Code, if applicable: \_\_\_\_\_

**MEDICAL INFORMATION: Incomplete answers will delay the authorization process.**

- Patient has tried and failed two (2) different non-COX2 NSAIDs within the past year  Yes  No
  - OR**
  - Concurrent use of anticoagulants (i.e., warfarin, heparin, etc.), methotrexate, oral corticosteroids;  Yes  No
  - OR**
  - History of previous GI bleed or conditions associated with GI toxicity risk factors (i.e., PUD, GERD, etc.);  Yes  No
  - OR**
  - Specific indication for Celebrex® for which preferred drugs are not indicated. Please list drugs tried and failed.
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

***\*Use of samples to initiate therapy does not meet step-edit/preauthorization criteria.\****

***\*Previous therapies will be verified through pharmacy paid claims or submitted chart notes.\****

Patient Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Member Optima #: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Prescriber Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Prescriber Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Office Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 DEA OR NPI #: \_\_\_\_\_