



**SPECIAL AUTHORITY REQUEST**  
**TARGETED DMARDs FOR RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS**  
**RENEWAL / DOSING ADJUSTMENT**

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**SECTION 1 – PRESCRIBING RHEUMATOLOGIST’S INFORMATION**

Name and Mailing Address	
College ID (use ONLY College ID number)	Phone Number (include area code)
<b>CRITICAL FOR A TIMELY RESPONSE</b> →	Rheumatologist's Fax Number

**SECTION 2 – PATIENT INFORMATION**

Patient (Family) Name	
Patient (Given) Name(s)	
Date of Birth (YYYY / MM / DD)	Date of Application (YYYY / MM / DD)
<b>CRITICAL FOR PROCESSING</b> →	Personal Health Number (PHN)

**SECTION 3 – MEDICATION REQUESTED** (all targeted DMARDs are more efficacious when combined with a DMARD, such as methotrexate)

Requested Dose and Interval _____ mg, every: _____	Patient's Body Weight (if significantly changed) _____ kg
<input type="radio"/> <b>ABATACEPT:</b> Subcutaneous 125 mg weekly Intravenous: weight <60 kg: 500 mg, 60-100 kg: 750 mg >100 kg: 1000 mg every 4 weeks <input type="radio"/> Indefinite coverage <b>OR</b> <input type="radio"/> Renewal of three years <b>OR</b> <input type="radio"/> Renewal of one year	<input type="radio"/> <b>GOLIMUMAB:</b> 50 mg SC. once per month in combination with a csDMARD <input type="radio"/> Renewal of one year
<input type="radio"/> <b>ADALIMUMAB:</b> 40 mg every two weeks <input type="radio"/> Indefinite coverage <b>OR</b> <input type="radio"/> Renewal of three years <b>OR</b> <input type="radio"/> Renewal of one year	<input type="radio"/> <b>INFLIXIMAB:</b> 3 mg/kg every 8 weeks in combination with a csDMARD <input type="radio"/> Indefinite coverage <b>OR</b> <input type="radio"/> Renewal of three years <b>OR</b> <input type="radio"/> Renewal of one year
<input type="radio"/> <b>ABRILADA*</b> <input type="radio"/> <b>AMGEVITA*</b> <input type="radio"/> <b>HADLIMA*</b> <input type="radio"/> <b>HULIO*</b> <input type="radio"/> <b>HYRIMOZ*</b> <input type="radio"/> <b>IDACIO*</b> <input type="radio"/> <b>SIMLANDI™</b> <input type="radio"/> <b>YUFLYMA*</b>	<input type="radio"/> <b>AVSOLA*</b> <input type="radio"/> <b>INFLECTRA*</b> <input type="radio"/> <b>RENFLEXIS*</b>
<input type="radio"/> <b>CERTOLIZUMAB:</b> 200 mg every other week or 400 mg every 4 weeks <input type="radio"/> Indefinite coverage <b>OR</b> <input type="radio"/> Renewal of three years <b>OR</b> <input type="radio"/> Renewal of one year	<input type="radio"/> <b>SARILUMAB:</b> 200 mg every 2 weeks or 150 mg every 2 weeks <input type="radio"/> Renewal of one year
<input type="radio"/> <b>ETANERCEPT:</b> total dose of 50 mg weekly <input type="radio"/> Indefinite coverage <b>OR</b> <input type="radio"/> Renewal of three years <b>OR</b> <input type="radio"/> Renewal of one year	<input type="radio"/> <b>TOCILIZUMAB:</b> Intravenous: 4-8 mg/kg every 4 weeks (Max Dose 800 mg) Subcutaneous: 162 mg every other week Subcutaneous: 162 mg weekly <input type="radio"/> Indefinite coverage <b>OR</b> <input type="radio"/> Renewal of three years <b>OR</b> <input type="radio"/> Renewal of one year
<input type="radio"/> <b>BRENZYS*</b> 50 mg <input type="radio"/> <b>ERELZI*</b> 25, 50 mg	<input type="radio"/> <b>TOFACITINIB:</b> 5 mg twice daily or 11 mg XR once daily. Reimbursement for tofacitinib 11 mg XR will be up to the equivalent pricing for two 5 mg tablets. <input type="radio"/> Indefinite coverage <b>OR</b> <input type="radio"/> Renewal of three years <b>OR</b> <input type="radio"/> Renewal of one year

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STATUS	EFFECTIVE DATE (YYYY / MM / DD)	DURATION OF APPROVAL
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PATIENT (FAMILY) NAME	PATIENT (GIVEN) NAME(S)	PERSONAL HEALTH NUMBER (PHN)
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**SECTION 4 – CURRENT CLINICAL INFORMATION**

68 JOINT COUNT:	No. of Swollen Joints	No. of Tender Joints	ESR	or	CRP	Duration of Morning Stiffness	Dose of Prednisone
<b>Physician Overall Assessment of Inflammation</b> (scale of 0 -10) 0 = remission, 10 = severe active disease			<input type="checkbox"/> Attached: Health Assessment Questionnaire (HAQ) completed by patient				
<b>CONCURRENT DMARD THERAPY:</b>  <b>OR</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> MARK HERE IF NONE AND SPECIFY REASONS FOR MONTH THERAPY IN SECTION 5.		<b>DRUG</b>	<b>DOSE</b>	<b>ROUTE</b>	<b>FREQUENCY</b>		

**SECTION 5 – NOTES (additional comments regarding patient’s current medical status as applicable)**

If patient's concurrent csDMARD has been discontinued, please give explanation below.

**Report all adverse events to the post-market surveillance program, Canada Vigilance, toll-free 1-866-234-2345 (health professionals only).**

**SECTION 7 – RHEUMATOLOGIST’S SIGNATURE**

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	Rheumatologist's Signature (Mandatory)

*PharmaCare may request additional documentation to support this Special Authority request. Actual reimbursement is subject to the rules of a patient's PharmaCare plan, including any annual deductible requirement, and to any other applicable PharmaCare pricing policy.*