



May 28, 2020

Re: Site of care for pegfilgrastim products effective September 1, 2020

Our records indicate that you have prescribed pegfilgrastim products to one or more of your patients with Cigna coverage.

To help ensure consistency with the patient's benefit plan, beginning September 1, 2020, we will also review the medical necessity of the requested servicing provider at the point of prior authorization. If the proposed site of care is not considered medically necessary, we will help facilitate the procurement of the drug from a Cigna-contracted specialty pharmacy for home administration or the administration of the drug at a less intensive site of care, such as the office of a non-hospital-affiliated provider or a freestanding infusion center.

What this means to you

We want to work with you to enable the ongoing administration of pegfilgrastim products without interruption in coverage for your patients. You are not required to do anything at this time. If a prior authorization request includes an outpatient hospital setting for administration of the drug, a Cigna medical director or pharmacist may contact you to discuss administration at a less intensive site of care. Following that clinical discussion, a case manager may help transition your patient to a Cigna-contracted specialty pharmacy for home administration or to an alternative infusion provider.

Please note that a medical director may deny continued authorization of coverage if the outpatient hospital setting is determined to not be medically necessary for the patient.

Additional information

For more information about our coverage policies, including medical necessity guidelines, log in to the Cigna for Health Care Professionals website (CignaforHCP.com > Resources > Coverage Policies > Pharmacy A-Z Index > Medication Administration Site of Care - 1605).

If you have questions about this letter, please call Cigna Customer Service at **800.88Cigna (882.4462)**.

Thank you for your commitment to provide quality care to our customers.

Sincerely,

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