

ANTIBIOTICS, GI and RELATED AGENTS PRIOR AUTHORIZATION FORM (form effective 3/10/2025)

Prior authorization guidelines for **Antibiotics, GI and Related Agents** and **Quantity Limits/Daily Dose Limits** are available on the DHS Pharmacy Services website at <https://www.dhs.pa.gov/providers/Pharmacy-Services/Pages/default.aspx>.

<input type="checkbox"/> New request	<input type="checkbox"/> Renewal request	# of pages: _____	Prescriber name:	
Name of office contact:			Specialty:	
Contact's phone number:		NPI:	State license #:	
LTC facility contact/phone:		Street address:		
Beneficiary name:		City/State/Zip:		
Beneficiary ID#:	DOB:	Phone:	Fax:	

CLINICAL INFORMATION

Drug requested:	Strength:	Dosage form:	
Dose/directions:		Quantity:	Refills:
Diagnosis (<i>submit documentation</i>):		Dx code (<i>required</i>):	

Complete all sections that apply to the beneficiary and this request.
Check all that apply and submit documentation for each item.

INITIAL requests

- For treatment of HEPATIC ENCEPHALOPATHY:**
 Has a history of trial and failure of or a contraindication or an intolerance to lactulose
- For treatment of TRAVELERS' DIARRHEA:**
 Has a history of trial and failure of or a contraindication or an intolerance to azithromycin
- For treatment of IRRITABLE BOWEL SYNDROME WITH DIARRHEA:**
 Requested medication is prescribed by or in consultation with a gastroenterologist
- For treatment of SMALL INTENSTINAL BACTERIAL OVERGROWTH:**
 Requested medication is prescribed by or in consultation with a gastroenterologist
- For DIFICID (FIDAXOMICIN) for treatment of CLOSTRIDIOIDES DIFFICILE INFECTION:**
 Has at least one of the following risk factors associated with a high risk of recurrence of *Clostridioides difficile* infection:
 - 65 years of age or older
 - Clinically severe *Clostridioides difficile* infection (Zar score ≥ 2)
 - Immunocompromised status Has a recurrent episode of *Clostridioides difficile* infection
 Is prescribed Dificid (fidaxomicin) as a continuation of therapy upon inpatient discharge

FAX FORM AND CLINICAL DOCUMENTATION**6. For ALL OTHER NON-PREFERRED Antibiotics, GI and Related Agents and for ALL OTHER INDICATIONS:**

- Has a history of trial and failure of or a contraindication or an intolerance to the preferred Antibiotics, GI and Related Agents that are approved or medically accepted for the treatment of the beneficiary's diagnosis

RENEWAL requests**1. For treatment of IRRITABLE BOWEL SYNDROME WITH DIARRHEA (IBS-D):**

- Had a successful initial treatment course
- Is experiencing recurrence of IBS-D symptoms
- Requested medication is prescribed by or in consultation with a gastroenterologist
- Request is for XIFAXAN (RIFAXIMIN) and:**
- Has not received 3 or more treatment courses of Xifaxan (rifaximin) in the beneficiary's lifetime

2. For treatment of SMALL INTESTINAL BACTERIAL OVERGROWTH:

- Requested medication is prescribed by or in consultation with a gastroenterologist

PLEASE FAX COMPLETED FORM WITH REQUIRED CLINICAL DOCUMENTATION TO 866-240-3712

Prescriber Signature:**Date:**

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