

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

1. For treatment of HEPATIC ENCEPHALOPATHY: <input type="checkbox"/> Has a history of trial and failure of or a contraindication or an intolerance to <u>lactulose</u>
2. For treatment of TRAVELERS' DIARRHEA: <input type="checkbox"/> Has a history of trial and failure of or a contraindication or an intolerance to <u>azithromycin</u>
3. For treatment of IRRITABLE BOWEL SYNDROME WITH DIARRHEA: <input type="checkbox"/> Requested medication is prescribed by or in consultation with a gastroenterologist
4. For treatment of SMALL INTENSTINAL BACTERIAL OVERGROWTH: <input type="checkbox"/> Requested medication is prescribed by or in consultation with a gastroenterologist
5. For DIFICID (FIDAXOMICIN) for treatment of CLOSTRIDIoidES DIFFICILE INFECTION: <input type="checkbox"/> Has at least one of the following risk factors associated with a high risk of recurrence of <i>Clostridioides difficile</i> infection: <input type="checkbox"/> 65 years of age or older <input type="checkbox"/> Clinically severe <i>Clostridioides difficile</i> infection (Zar score ≥ 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Immunocompromised status <input type="checkbox"/> Has a recurrent episode of <i>Clostridioides difficile</i> infection <input type="checkbox"/> 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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