

**Drug Name:** Kevzara (sarilumab) **Date:** 9-2018

Drug Name: Required	<ul> <li>Kevzara (sarilumab)</li> <li>Diagnosis of moderate to severe active rheumatoid arthritis (RA) <u>AND</u></li> </ul>
Medical Information:	<ul> <li>Member has a pretreatment tuberculosis (TB) screening with a TB skin test or an interferon gamma release assay (e.g., QFT-GIT, T-SPOT.TB).</li> <li>*NOTE: Members who have received Kevzara, any other biologic DMARD, or targeted synthetic DMARD (e.g. Xeljanz) are exempt from TB screening AND one of the following: <ul> <li>Member has previously received Kevzara, any other biologic DMARD, or targeted synthetic DMARD (e.g. Xeljanz) for moderate to severe active RA OR</li> <li>Member has experienced an inadequate response to at least a 3-month trial of methotrexate despite adequate dosing (i.e., titrated to 20mg/week) OR</li> <li>Member has an intolerance or contraindication to methotrexate (i.e., alcoholism, alcoholic liver disease, other chronic liver disease, breastfeeding, renal impairment, myelodysplasia, elevated liver transaminases, pregnancy/planning pregnancy (male or female), etc.)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Renewal	• All initial authorization criteria noted above has been met <b>AND</b>
Criteria:	<ul> <li>Member has achieved or maintained positive clinical response after at least 3 months of therapy with Kevzara as evidenced by low disease activity or improvement in signs and symptoms of RA</li> </ul>
Quantity Limit:	• 2 syringes every 4 weeks (28 days)
Coverage duration:	<ul><li>Initial: 24 months</li><li>Continuation of Therapy: 24 months</li></ul>