

Generic Name: Axatilimab-csfr

Preferred: N/A

Therapeutic Class or Brand Name: Niktimvo™

Non-preferred: N/A

Applicable Drugs (if Therapeutic Class): N/A

Date of Origin: 9/8/2025

Date Last Reviewed / Revised: 9/8/2025

PRIOR AUTHORIZATION CRITERIA

(May be considered medically necessary when criteria I through IV are met)

- I. Documented diagnosis of chronic graft-versus-host disease (cGVHD) and all the following criteria are met:
 - A. Documented treatment failure of at least two lines of systemic therapy (eg, corticosteroids, tacrolimus, mycophenolate mofetil, etc.).
 - B. Minimum weight requirement: 40 kg.
- II. Treatment must be prescribed by or in consultation with an oncologist or a hematologist.
- III. Request is for a medication with the appropriate FDA labeling and dosage, or its use is supported by current clinical practice guidelines.
- IV. Refer to the plan document for the list of preferred products. If the requested agent is not listed as a preferred product, must have a documented failure, intolerance, or contraindication to a preferred product(s).

EXCLUSION CRITERIA

- Adults and children weighing less than 40 kg.
- Concurrent use of Jakafi, Imbruvica, or Rezurock.

OTHER CRITERIA

- Medical benefit for IV infusion.

QUANTITY / DAYS SUPPLY RESTRICTIONS

- Quantities to provide 0.3 mg/kg (max 35 mg) every 2 weeks.

APPROVAL LENGTH

- **Authorization:** 12 months.
- **Re-Authorization Length and Renewal Criteria:** 12 months. An updated letter of medical necessity or progress notes showing current medical necessity criteria are met and that the medication is effective.

APPENDIX

N/A

REFERENCES

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