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Prior Authorization

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Linzess - Priority Partners MCO

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Complete/review information, sign and date. Fax signed forms to Johns Hopkins Health Plans at **1-410-424-4607**.
Please contact Johns Hopkins Health Plans at **1-888-819-1043** with questions regarding the Prior Authorization process.
When conditions are met, we will authorize the coverage of Linzess - Priority Partners MCO.

Drug Name (select from list of drugs shown)
Linzess (linaclotide)

Quantity Frequency Strength

Route of Administration Expected Length of Therapy

Patient Information
Patient Name: _____
Patient ID: _____
Patient Group No.: _____
Patient DOB: _____
Patient Phone:

Prescribing Physician
Physician Name: _____
Physician Phone: _____
Physician Fax: _____
Physician Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____

Diagnosis: _____ **ICD Code:** _____

Comments: _____

Please circle the appropriate answer for each question.

1. Is this request for continuation of therapy? Y N

[Note: The use of physician samples, or manufacturer product discounts, does not guarantee coverage under the provisions of the medical and/or pharmacy benefit. All pertinent criteria must be met in order to be eligible for benefit coverage.]

[If no, then skip to question 4.]

2. Is the patient showing beneficial response to treatment?	Y N	
[Note: Documentation must be submitted.]		
[If no, then no further questions.]		
3. Will the patient be using the requested drug concurrently with lubiprostone, Trulance, Motegrity, or Ibsrela?	Y N	
[No further questions.]		
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[If yes, then no further questions.]		
5. Is the patient 18 years of age or older?	Y N	
[If no, then skip to question 13.]		
6. Does the patient have a documented history of constipation, defined as less than three solid bowel movements (SBMs) per week for a duration of three months or greater?	Y N	
[Note: Documentation must be submitted.]		
[If yes, then skip to question 8.]		
7. Does the patient have the documented diagnosis of constipation-predominant irritable bowel syndrome (IBS)?	Y N	
[Note: Documentation must be submitted.]		
[If yes, then skip to question 10.]		
[If no, then no further questions.]		
8. Does the patient have documented trials of at least two formulary laxatives from two different therapy classes for at least one month each?	Y N	
[Note: Documentation must be submitted.]		
[If no, then no further questions.]		
9. Does the patient have a documented trial of lubiprostone?	Y N	
[Note: Documentation must be submitted.]		
[No further questions.]		
10. Does the patient have documented trials of at least two agents to treat irritable bowel syndrome (IBS) from two different therapy classes for at least one month each?	Y N	
[Note: Documentation must be submitted.]		
[If no, then no further questions.]		
11. Is the patient female?	Y N	
[If no, then no further questions.]		
12. Does the patient have a documented trial and inadequate response to lubiprostone?	Y N	
[Note: Documentation must be submitted.]		
[No further questions.]		

13. Is the patient between 6 and 17 years of age?	Y N	
[If no, then no further questions.]		
14. Does the patient have a documented diagnosis of functional constipation?	Y N	
[Note: Documentation must be submitted.]		
[If no, then no further questions.]		
15. Does the patient have documentation of less than three spontaneous bowel movements per week in the absence of laxative, enema, or suppository use, AND at least one of the following for at least two months: A) History of stool withholding or excessive voluntary stool retention, B) History of painful or hard bowel movements, C) History of large diameter stools that may obstruct the toilet, D) Presence of a large fecal mass in the rectum, E) At least one episode of fecal incontinence per week?	Y N	
[Note: Documentation must be submitted.]		
[If no, then no further questions.]		
16. Does the patient have a documented trial of at least two formulary laxatives from two different therapy classes for at least one month each?	Y N	
[Note: Documentation must be submitted.]		

I attest that the medication requested is medically necessary for this patient. I further attest that the information provided is accurate and true, and that the documentation supporting this information is available for review if requested by the claims processor, the health plan sponsor, or, if applicable a state or federal regulatory agency.

Prescriber (Or Authorized) Signature and Date