



## Prior Authorization Criteria

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### COSENTYX® (*secukinumab*) PA CRITERIA:

Select the FDA approved indication and corresponding diagnosis:

- Plaque Psoriasis - Treatment of *moderate to severe* plaque psoriasis in adult patients who are candidates for systemic therapy or phototherapy **OR**
- Psoriatic Arthritis - Treatment of adult patients with active psoriatic arthritis **OR** - Treatment of *moderate to severe* plaque psoriasis in adult patients who are candidates for systemic therapy or phototherapy **OR**
- Ankylosing Spondylitis - Treatment of adults with active ankylosing spondylitis

ICD-10 code(s): \_\_\_\_\_

**Requests for Cosentyx may be approved if the following criteria are met:** (*Yes should be checked for each statement*):

- Yes  No Age  $\geq$  18 years
- Yes  No Inadequate response after minimum 90 days consecutive therapy, or intolerance or contraindication to adalimumab (Humira®)
- Yes  No Prescribed by or in consultation with a dermatologist or rheumatologist
- Yes  No Patient has had a negative Tuberculosis (TB) test in the past 12 months

**Patient may not be receiving Cosentyx in combination with any of the following:**

- Biologic DMARD (Humira, Taltz, Orencia, Cimzia)
- Janus kinase inhibitor (Xeljanz)
- Phosphodiesterase 4 inhibitor (Otezla)

**Initial authorization is for 4 months. Subsequent approval will be based on current progress notes documenting stability of disease status.**

**Dosing:**

- **Plaque Psoriasis:** 300mg SC initial dose repeated at Weeks 0, 1, 2, 3, and 4 followed by 300mg Q 4 weeks. (may allow up to 10 pens or syringes in the *first* 28 days of treatment).
  - 150mg may be acceptable for some patients.
- **Psoriatic Arthritis:** For psoriatic arthritis patients with coexistent moderate to severe plaque psoriasis, use the dosage and administration for plaque psoriasis
  - For other psoriatic arthritis patients administer with or without a loading dosage.

- Loading dosage recommendation: 150 mg at weeks 0, 1, 2, 3, and 4 and every 4 weeks thereafter
- Without a loading dosage, recommendation is 150 mg every 4 weeks
- For patients continuing to have active psoriatic arthritis, consider 300mg dosage
- If a patient continues to have active psoriatic arthritis, consider dosage of 300 mg
- **Ankylosing Spondylitis:** Administer with or without a loading dosage.
  - Loading dosage recommendation is 150 mg at weeks 0, 1, 2, 3, and 4 and every 4 weeks thereafter
  - Without a loading dosage, recommendation is 150 mg every 4 weeks

**Other comments, diagnoses, symptoms, medications tried or failed, and/or any other information the physician feels is important to this review:**

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**Reauthorization: Continued treatment will be approved for up to 12 months**

- (Maximum amount approval: 300mg/month)

Yes  No

Is there clinical documentation of:

Yes  No Disease stabilization

**OR**

Yes  No Disease improvement?

**General information to consider:**

- Cosentyx may increase the risk of infections. Exercise caution when considering the use of Cosentyx in patients with a chronic infection or a history of recurrent infection.
- Prior to initiating treatment, evaluate for TB. Do not administer Cosentyx to patients with active TB infection. Initiate treatment of latent TB prior to administering Cosentyx.
- Exercise caution when prescribing Cosentyx to patients with inflammatory bowel disease
- Patients treated with Cosentyx should not receive live vaccines.

**How Supplied:**

- Injection: cartons of one OR two (150 mg/mL solution) single-use Sensoready® pens
- Injection: cartons of one OR two (150 mg/mL solution ) single-use prefilled syringes
- For Injection: carton of one (150 mg lyophilized powder) single-use vial for reconstitution for healthcare professional use only