

# Afrezza Prior Authorization with Quantity Limit Program Summary

## POLICY REVIEW CYCLE

**Effective Date**  
02-01-2025

**Date of Origin**

## POLICY AGENT SUMMARY PRIOR AUTHORIZATION

Target Brand Agent(s)	Target Generic Agent(s)	Strength	Targeted MSC	Available MSC	Final Age Limit	Preferred Status
Afrezza	insulin regular (human) inh powd ; insulin regular (human) inhal powd ; insulin regular (human) inhalation powder	12 UNIT ; 4 UNIT ; 60x4 & 60x8 & 60x12 UNIT ; 8 UNIT ; 90 x 4 UNIT & 90x8 UNIT ; 90 x 8 UNIT & 90x12 UNIT	M ; N ; O ; Y	N		

## POLICY AGENT SUMMARY QUANTITY LIMIT

Target Brand Agent Name(s)	Target Generic Agent Name(s)	Strength	QL Amount	Dose Form	Day Supply	Duration	Addtl QL Info	Allowed Exceptions	Targeted NDCs When Exclusions Exist
Afrezza	Insulin Regular (Human) Inh Powd 4 & 8 & 12 Unit/Cart (60)	60x4 & 60x8 & 60x12 UNIT	1260	Cartridges	30	DAYS			
Afrezza	Insulin Regular (Human) Inh Powd 90 x 8 Unit & 90 x 12 Unit	90 x 8 UNIT & 90x12 UNIT	1080	Cartridges	30	DAYS			
Afrezza	Insulin Regular (Human) Inhal Powd 90 x 4 Unit & 90 x 8 Unit	90 x 4 UNIT & 90x8 UNIT	1800	Cartridges	30	DAYS			
Afrezza	Insulin Regular (Human) Inhalation Powder 12 Unit/Cartridge	12 UNIT	900	Cartridges	30	DAYS			
Afrezza	Insulin Regular (Human) Inhalation Powder 4 Unit/Cartridge	4 UNIT	2520	Cartridges	30	DAYS	1 pack = 90 cartridges		
Afrezza	Insulin Regular (Human) Inhalation Powder 8 Unit/Cartridge	8 UNIT	1260	Cartridges	30	DAYS			

## ADDITIONAL QUANTITY LIMIT INFORMATION

Wildcard	Target Brand Agent Name(s)	Target Generic Agent Name(s)	Strength	Additional QL Information	Targeted NDCs When Exclusions Exist	Effective Date	Term Date
27104010002940	Afrezza	Insulin Regular (Human) Inhalation Powder 4 Unit/Cartridge	4 UNIT	1 pack = 90 cartridges			

## CLIENT SUMMARY – PRIOR AUTHORIZATION

Target Brand Agent Name(s)	Target Generic Agent Name(s)	Strength	Client Formulary
Afrezza	insulin regular (human) inh powd ; insulin regular (human) inhal powd ; insulin regular (human) inhalation powder	12 UNIT ; 4 UNIT ; 60x4 & 60x8 & 60x12 UNIT ; 8 UNIT ; 90 x 4 UNIT & 90x8 UNIT ; 90 x 8 UNIT & 90x12 UNIT	Basic ; Basic Annual ; Enhanced ; Enhanced Annual

## CLIENT SUMMARY – QUANTITY LIMITS

Target Brand Agent Name(s)	Target Generic Agent Name(s)	Strength	Client Formulary
Afrezza	Insulin Regular (Human) Inh Powd 4 & 8 & 12 Unit/Cart (60)	60x4 & 60x8 & 60x12 UNIT	Balanced ; Balanced Biosimilar ; Basic ; Basic Annual ; Enhanced ; Enhanced Annual ; HIM Annual 2024 ; HIM Annual 2025 ; HIM Quarterly 2024 ; HIM Quarterly 2025 ; NM HIM Annual 2024 ; NM HIM Annual 2025 ; NM Performance ; Performance ; Performance Annual ; Performance Biosimilar ; Performance Select ; Performance Select Biosimilar ; Whole Foods
Afrezza	Insulin Regular (Human) Inh Powd 90 x 8 Unit & 90 x 12 Unit	90 x 8 UNIT & 90x12 UNIT	Balanced ; Balanced Biosimilar ; Basic ; Basic Annual ; Enhanced ; Enhanced Annual ; HIM Annual 2024 ; HIM Annual 2025 ; HIM Quarterly 2024 ; HIM Quarterly 2025 ; NM HIM Annual 2024 ; NM HIM Annual 2025 ; NM Performance ; Performance ; Performance Annual ; Performance Biosimilar ; Performance Select ; Performance Select Biosimilar ; Whole Foods
Afrezza	Insulin Regular (Human) Inhal Powd 90 x 4 Unit & 90 x 8 Unit	90 x 4 UNIT & 90x8 UNIT	Balanced ; Balanced Biosimilar ; Basic ; Basic Annual ; Enhanced ; Enhanced Annual ; HIM Annual 2024 ; HIM Annual 2025 ; HIM Quarterly 2024 ; HIM Quarterly 2025 ; NM HIM Annual 2024 ; NM HIM Annual 2025 ; NM Performance ; Performance ; Performance Annual ; Performance Biosimilar ; Performance Select ; Performance Select Biosimilar ; Whole Foods

Target Brand Agent Name(s)	Target Generic Agent Name(s)	Strength	Client Formulary
Afrezza	Insulin Regular (Human) Inhalation Powder 12 Unit/Cartridge	12 UNIT	Balanced ; Balanced Biosimilar ; Basic ; Basic Annual ; Enhanced ; Enhanced Annual ; HIM Annual 2024 ; HIM Annual 2025 ; HIM Quarterly 2024 ; HIM Quarterly 2025 ; NM HIM Annual 2024 ; NM HIM Annual 2025 ; NM Performance ; Performance ; Performance Annual ; Performance Biosimilar ; Performance Select ; Performance Select Biosimilar ; Whole Foods
Afrezza	Insulin Regular (Human) Inhalation Powder 4 Unit/Cartridge	4 UNIT	Balanced ; Balanced Biosimilar ; Basic ; Basic Annual ; Enhanced ; Enhanced Annual ; HIM Annual 2024 ; HIM Annual 2025 ; HIM Quarterly 2024 ; HIM Quarterly 2025 ; NM HIM Annual 2024 ; NM HIM Annual 2025 ; NM Performance ; Performance ; Performance Annual ; Performance Biosimilar ; Performance Select ; Performance Select Biosimilar ; Whole Foods
Afrezza	Insulin Regular (Human) Inhalation Powder 8 Unit/Cartridge	8 UNIT	Balanced ; Balanced Biosimilar ; Basic ; Basic Annual ; Enhanced ; Enhanced Annual ; HIM Annual 2024 ; HIM Annual 2025 ; HIM Quarterly 2024 ; HIM Quarterly 2025 ; NM HIM Annual 2024 ; NM HIM Annual 2025 ; NM Performance ; Performance ; Performance Annual ; Performance Biosimilar ; Performance Select ; Performance Select Biosimilar ; Whole Foods

## QUANTITY LIMIT CLINICAL CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL

Module	Clinical Criteria for Approval
	<p><b>Quantity limit for the Target Agent(s)</b> will be approved when ONE of the following is met:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The requested quantity (dose) does NOT exceed the program quantity limit <b>OR</b></li> <li>ALL of the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The requested quantity (dose) exceeds the program quantity limit <b>AND</b></li> <li>The requested quantity (dose) does NOT exceed the maximum FDA labeled dose <b>AND</b></li> <li>The requested quantity (dose) cannot be achieved with a lower quantity of a higher strength that does NOT exceed the program quantity limit</li> </ol> </li> </ol> <p><b>Length of Approval:</b> 12 months</p>

## PRIOR AUTHORIZATION CLINICAL CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL

Module	Clinical Criteria for Approval		
	<table border="1"> <tr> <td><b>Preferred Agent(s)</b></td> <td><b>Non-Preferred Agent(s)</b></td> </tr> </table>	<b>Preferred Agent(s)</b>	<b>Non-Preferred Agent(s)</b>
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Module	Clinical Criteria for Approval	
	<b>Fiasp</b> (insulin aspart) <b>Humalog</b> (insulin lispro) <b>Humalog U200</b> (insulin lispro) <b>Lyumjev</b> (insulin lispro-aabc) <b>NovoLog</b> (insulin aspart)	<b>Admelog</b> (insulin lispro) <b>Apidra</b> (insulin glulisine) <b>Insulin aspart</b> <b>Insulin lispro</b>
<b>Initial Evaluation</b>		
<b>Target Agent(s)</b> will be approved when ALL of the following are met:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. ONE of the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. The patient has a diagnosis of diabetes mellitus type 1 AND the patient is currently on long acting insulin therapy <b>OR</b></li> <li>B. The patient has a diagnosis of diabetes mellitus type 2 <b>AND</b></li> </ol> </li> <li>2. The patient has received ALL of the following to identify any potential lung disease: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Detailed medical history review <b>AND</b></li> <li>B. Physical examination <b>AND</b></li> <li>C. Spirometry with Forced Expiratory Volume in 1 second (FEV1) <b>AND</b></li> </ol> </li> <li>3. The patient has not smoked in the past 6 months <b>AND</b></li> <li>4. If the patient has an FDA labeled indication, then ONE of the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. The patient's age is within FDA labeling for the requested indication for the requested agent <b>OR</b></li> <li>B. There is support for using the requested agent for the patient's age for the requested indication <b>AND</b></li> </ol> </li> <li>5. ONE of the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. The prescriber states the patient is currently being treated with a requested agent <b>AND</b> the patient is currently stable on the requested agent <b>OR</b></li> <li>B. The patient has tried and had an inadequate response to ONE preferred agent <b>OR</b></li> <li>C. ONE preferred agent was discontinued due to lack of efficacy or effectiveness, diminished effect, or an adverse event <b>OR</b></li> <li>D. The patient has an intolerance or hypersensitivity to ONE preferred agent (that is not expected to occur with the requested agent) <b>OR</b></li> <li>E. The patient has an FDA labeled contraindication to ALL preferred agents, that is not expected to occur with the requested agent <b>OR</b></li> <li>F. ONE preferred agent is expected to be ineffective based on the known clinical characteristics of the patient and the known characteristics of the prescription drug; <b>OR</b> cause a significant barrier to the patient's adherence of care; <b>OR</b> worsen a comorbid condition; <b>OR</b> decrease the patient's ability to achieve or maintain reasonable functional ability in performing daily activities; <b>OR</b> cause an adverse reaction or cause physical or mental harm <b>OR</b></li> <li>G. ONE preferred agent is not in the best interest of the patient based on medical necessity <b>OR</b></li> <li>H. The patient has tried another prescription drug in the same pharmacologic class or with the same mechanism of action as ONE preferred agent and that prescription drug was discontinued due to lack of efficacy or effectiveness, diminished effect, or an adverse event <b>OR</b></li> <li>I. The requested agent is medically necessary and appropriate for the patient <b>OR</b></li> <li>J. There is support that the patient has a physical or a mental disability that would prevent them from using a preferred rapid acting insulin agent <b>OR</b></li> <li>K. The patient has a documented needle phobia <b>AND</b></li> </ol> </li> </ol>		

Module	Clinical Criteria for Approval
	<p data-bbox="280 180 1357 210">6. The patient does NOT have any FDA labeled contraindications to the requested agent</p> <p data-bbox="232 247 644 277"><b>Length of Approval:</b> 12 months</p> <p data-bbox="232 315 1083 344">NOTE: If Quantity Limit applies, please refer to Quantity Limit Criteria.</p> <p data-bbox="232 443 1190 472"><b>The requested agent will also be approved when the following are met:</b></p> <ol data-bbox="280 510 1403 974" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="280 510 735 539">1. The member resides in Ohio <b>AND</b></li> <li data-bbox="280 539 1403 974">2. The plan is Fully Insured or HIM Shop (SG) <b>AND</b> BOTH of the following <ol data-bbox="354 569 1403 974" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="354 569 1373 625">A. The patient does NOT have any FDA labeled contraindications to the requested agent <b>AND</b></li> <li data-bbox="354 625 1403 974">B. ONE of the following: <ol data-bbox="472 655 1403 974" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="472 655 1377 711">1. The patient has another FDA labeled indication for the requested agent and route of administration <b>OR</b></li> <li data-bbox="472 711 1403 768">2. The patient has another indication that is supported in compendia for the requested agent and route of administration <b>OR</b></li> <li data-bbox="472 768 1403 974">3. The prescriber has submitted TWO articles from major peer-reviewed professional medical journals [e.g., Journal of American Medical Association (JAMA), New England Journal of Medicine (NEJM), Lancet] supporting the proposed use(s) as generally safe and effective. Accepted study designs may include, but are not limited to, randomized, double blind, placebo controlled clinical trials. NOTE: Case studies are not acceptable [journal articles required]</li> </ol> </li> </ol> </li> </ol> <p data-bbox="232 1012 1393 1068"><b>Non-oncology compendia allowed:</b> DrugDex level 1, 2A or 2B, AHFS-DI (narrative text must be supportive)</p> <p data-bbox="232 1106 1380 1192"><b>Oncology compendia allowed:</b> NCCN 1 or 2A, AHFS-DI (narrative text must be supportive), DrugDex level 1, 2A, or 2B, or Clinical Pharmacology (narrative text must be supportive), Lexi-Drugs evidence level A, peer-reviewed medical literature</p> <p data-bbox="232 1230 644 1260"><b>Length of Approval:</b> 12 months</p> <p data-bbox="232 1297 1075 1327">NOTE: If Quantity Limit applies, please refer to Quantity Limit Criteria</p> <p data-bbox="232 1428 498 1457"><b>Renewal Evaluation</b></p> <p data-bbox="232 1495 1081 1524"><b>Target Agent(s)</b> will be approved when ALL of the following are met:</p> <ol data-bbox="280 1562 1357 1850" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="280 1562 1357 1648">1. The patient has been previously approved for the requested agent through the plan's Prior Authorization process [Note: patients not previously approved for the requested agent will require initial evaluation review] <b>AND</b></li> <li data-bbox="280 1648 1127 1677">2. The patient has had clinical benefit with the requested agent <b>AND</b></li> <li data-bbox="280 1677 1331 1793">3. The patient has received ALL of the following to identify any potential lung disease: <ol data-bbox="354 1707 1239 1793" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="354 1707 868 1736">A. Detailed medical history review <b>AND</b></li> <li data-bbox="354 1736 743 1766">B. Physical examination <b>AND</b></li> <li data-bbox="354 1766 1239 1793">C. Spirometry with Forced Expiratory Volume in 1 second (FEV1) <b>AND</b></li> </ol> </li> <li data-bbox="280 1793 990 1822">4. The patient has not smoked in the past 6 months <b>AND</b></li> <li data-bbox="280 1822 1357 1850">5. The patient does NOT have any FDA labeled contraindications to the requested agent</li> </ol> <p data-bbox="232 1887 644 1917"><b>Length of Approval:</b> 12 months</p> <p data-bbox="232 1955 1083 1984">NOTE: If Quantity Limit applies, please refer to Quantity Limit Criteria.</p>

