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## HCV Prior Authorization Guidelines

*In general, the following criteria need to be met to obtain prior authorization approval. In the event of a prior authorization denial, recommended formulary alternatives will be provided to the prescriber based upon the patient's insurance coverage. If a prior authorization and recommended formulary alternatives are denied, our team can provide appeal support services.*

### Standard Requirements

- Genotyping Labs
- Drug indication for the corresponding Genotype
- HCV RNA Labs
- Fibrosis Lab/Ultrasound or Liver Biopsy
- Prior Failed Hep-C treatments (if any)
- Documented Cirrhosis (Compensated or Decompensated)
- Documented liver or renal related conditions

### Varying Requirements based on the Insurance

- Fibrosis Lab/Ultrasound or Liver Biopsy
  - F2 to F4 Metavir Fibrosis Score generally is required
  - Fibroscan score greater than or equal to 7.1 kPa
  - FibroTest/FibroSURE score greater than or equal to 0.49
  - APRI Score greater than 0.5
    - This score may not be accepted in some instances, considered investigational by some payors.
  - Liver biopsy specifically showing Advanced Fibrosis or Cirrhosis
- Decompensated Cirrhosis may exclude a patient from being eligible for treatment. Insurance may recommend a liver transplant instead.
- Based on the Fibrosis or Genotype some insurances may only approve 8 weeks of treatment vs. 12 weeks.
- If a patient requires 24 weeks of treatment, some insurances will request an HCV RNA lab at 12 weeks before authorizing the 2<sup>nd</sup> course.
- All Medicaid patients must sign the Hep C Consent Form specific to the state, and this needs to be sent in with the Enrollment Form. This form may also require a signature from the prescriber.

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