



**Growth Hormone Prior Authorization Form**

*Incomplete forms will not be reviewed*

**Maryland Medicaid  
Pharmacy Program**

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Patient information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Medicaid Assistance Number: \_\_\_\_\_  M  F Height: \_\_\_\_\_ Weight: \_\_\_\_\_

**Prescriber information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Specialty:  Endocrinologist  Nephrologist. NPI: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

**Prescription information**

Preferred medications:  Norditropin  Nutropin AQ  Genotropin

Please refer to the [MDH Preferred Drug List \(PDL\)](#)

Non-preferred medication: \_\_\_\_\_

*Non-preferred medications can be requested when preferred medications are not appropriate for the patient. Justification must be provided:* \_\_\_\_\_

Dose: \_\_\_\_\_ Frequency: \_\_\_\_\_

Initial request  Renewal request

**Diagnostic tests**

- *Growth hormone deficiency (GHD) must be confirmed with provocative testing and insulin like growth factor -1 (IGF-1) level in both children and adults.*
- *One stimulating test is required for adult with childhood onset GHD with additional pituitary hormone deficiency*
- *At least two stimulating tests are required for Adults and children with suspected GHD with no other pituitary hormone deficiency.*

Test 1. Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Result: \_\_\_\_\_ mg/ml Normal range: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Test 2. Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Result: \_\_\_\_\_ mg/ml Normal range: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Insulin tolerance test (ITT). Result: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*ITT is a required provocative test unless contraindicated for (select that applies):*  Seizures  Coronary artery disease  Abnormal EKG with history of ischemic heart disease or cardiovascular disease  age >60. *In that case, an alternate test result may be given.*

Alternate test (when ITT is contraindicated): \_\_\_\_\_ Result: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*The level of arginine, glucagon, GH releasing hormone, L-dopa and combination of these agents, excluding clonidine can be an alternative test.*

Insulin-like growth factor-1 (IGF-1) level: \_\_\_\_\_ mg/ml Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*IGF-1 level is required annually for patients who have chronic renal insufficiency and on dialysis.*

*Submit test results for review*

**Pediatric patients**

Diagnosis

- Growth failure due to GHD  Noonan syndrome  Turner Syndrome  Prader Willi Syndrome  Small for Gestational age  Growth deficiency due to chronic/irreversible renal insufficiency up to the renal transplant  Idiopathic Short Stature  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Chronological age: \_\_\_\_\_ Bone age: \_\_\_\_\_ Height: \_\_\_\_\_ ft \_\_\_\_\_ inch Date: \_\_\_\_\_

- Yes  No Height less than 3rd percentile or  $\geq 2.00$  standard deviation (SD) below mean height for chronological age  
 Yes  No Bone age less than chronological age ( $\leq 16$  years for boys and  $\leq 14$  years for girls)  
 Yes  No Bone fused

Attach copy of growth chart

For continuation of therapy

Date of growth hormone therapy initiated: \_\_\_\_\_

- Growth chart <25% of normal height for gender

If the goal of 25% of normal height has been achieved, please reassess and provide rationale for the continuation of GH therapy \_\_\_\_\_

Epiphyses open? Yes  No  If yes, anticipated length of therapy: \_\_\_\_\_

Height velocity: \_\_\_\_\_ cm per \_\_\_\_\_ month

Height velocity should be measured over at least six months with at least two measurements

- Yes  No Based on IGF and thyroid function test results, continuation of GH therapy justified

**Adult patients**

Diagnosis

- Adult with childhood onset GHD  Adult with adult-onset GHD  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

T-score on DEXA (if done): \_\_\_\_\_ SD by WHO: \_\_\_\_\_

Thyroid function test result (required): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Other pertinent tests done: \_\_\_\_\_

For continuation of therapy

Yes  No  Continuation of GH therapy is justified based on annual evaluation of IGF-1 level, fasting lipid profile, BUN, fasting glucose, electrolyte levels, bone density testing (recommended after the first year, then every 3 years thereafter). Anticipated length of therapy: \_\_\_\_\_

**I attest that**

- All possible contraindications reviewed and evaluated as per package insert.  
 Patient's lab/test results and clinical data will be evaluated and monitored.  
 The requested medication is not part of a clinical trial and that the benefits of the treatment outweigh the risks and verify that the information provided on this form is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

MDH and prescriber acknowledge and agree that this request may be executed by electronic signature, which shall be considered as an original signature for all purposes and shall have the same force and effect as an original signature.

Prescriber's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_