

**Siliq (brodalumab)**  
**Effective 01/01/2024**

<b>Plan</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> MassHealth UPPL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial/Exchange	<b>Program Type</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prior Authorization <input type="checkbox"/> Quantity Limit <input type="checkbox"/> Step Therapy
<b>Benefit</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pharmacy Benefit <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Benefit		
<b>Specialty Limitations</b>	This medication has been designated specialty and must be filled at a contracted specialty pharmacy.		
<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Medical and Specialty Medications</b>		
	All Plans	Phone: 877-519-1908	Fax: 855-540-3693
	<b>Non-Specialty Medications</b>		
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<b>Exceptions</b>	N/A		

### Overview

The indications below including FDA-approved indications and compendial uses are considered a covered benefit provided that all the approval criteria are met, and the member has no exclusions to the prescribed therapy.

#### FDA-Approved Indication

Treatment of moderate to severe plaque psoriasis in adult patients who are candidates for systemic therapy or phototherapy and have failed to respond or have lost response to other systemic therapies

All other indications are considered experimental/investigational and are not a covered benefit.

### Coverage Guidelines

#### Moderate to severe plaque psoriasis

1. Authorization may be granted for members who are currently receiving treatment with Siliq, excluding when the product is obtained as samples or via manufacturer's patient assistance programs.
- OR**
2. Authorization may be granted for treatment of moderate to severe plaque psoriasis when all the following criteria are met:
    - a. At least 3% of body surface area (BSA) is affected OR crucial body areas (e.g., hands, feet, face, neck, scalp, genitals/groin, intertriginous areas) are affected.
    - b. Member meets ONE of the following criteria:
      - i. Paid claims or physician documentation confirming minimum duration of 4-week trial and failure, intolerance, or contraindication to ONE of the following topical therapies
        - Corticosteroids (e.g., betamethasone, clobetasol)
        - Vitamin D analogs (e.g., calcitriol, calcipotriene)
        - Tazarotene
        - Calcineurin inhibitors (e.g., tacrolimus, pimecrolimus)

- Anthralin
    - Coal tar
  - ii. Member has severe psoriasis that warrants a biologic DMARD as first-line therapy.
- c. Trial and failure, intolerance, or contraindication to THREE of the following:
  - i. Cimzia
  - ii. Enbrel
  - iii. Humira, Hadlima, Adalimumab-adaz, Adalimumab-fkjp
  - iv. Skyrizi
  - v. Stelara
  - vi. Tremfya
- d. Trial and failure, intolerance, or contraindication to Cosentyx

### **Continuation of Therapy**

Reauthorization may be granted for all members (including new members) who meet all initial authorization criteria and achieve or maintain positive clinical response after at least 3 months of therapy with Siliq as evidenced by low disease activity or improvement in signs and symptoms of the condition.

### **Limitations**

1. Initial approvals and reauthorizations will be granted for 24 months

### **Appendix**

#### **Examples of Clinical Reasons to Avoid Pharmacologic Treatment with Methotrexate, Cyclosporine or Acitretin**

1. Alcoholism, alcoholic liver disease or other chronic liver disease
2. Breastfeeding
3. Cannot be used due to risk of treatment-related toxicity
4. Drug interaction
5. Pregnancy or planning pregnancy (male or female)
6. Significant comorbidity prohibits use of systemic agents (examples include liver or kidney disease, blood dyscrasias, uncontrolled hypertension)

### **References**

1. Siliq Prescribing Information. Valeant Pharmaceuticals Int. Bridgewater, NJ. April 2020.
2. Menter A, Strober BE, Kaplan DH, et al. Joint AAD-NPF guidelines of care for the management and treatment of psoriasis with biologics. J Am Acad Dermatol 2019;80:1029-72.
3. Elmetts CA, Korman NJ, Farley Prater E, et al. Joint AAD-NPF guidelines of care for the management and treatment of psoriasis with topical therapy and alternative medicine modalities for psoriasis severity measures. J Am Acad Dermatol 2021;84:432-70.

### **Review History**

02/26/18 – Reviewed

06/01/18 - Implemented

02/20/19 – Updated

11/20/19 – Added Skyrizi as a preferred trial for PS.

11/15/2023 – Reviewed and Updated at Nov P&T; 5% BSA changed to at least 3%. Removed TB requirement.

Updated preferred agents from having prior use with ALL the preferred products (Cosentyx, Enbrel, Humira, Otezla, Skyrizi and Stelara) to having prior use with 3 of the following agents: Cimzia, Enbrel, Humira or biosimilars, Skyrizi, Stelara, Tremfya AND Cosentyx. Updated topical therapies. Effective 1/1/2024

