

Avoid prior authorization (PA) delays with a streamlined process

PRIOR AUTHORIZATION AND MEDICAL EXCEPTION GUIDE FOR NUBEQA® (darolutamide)



Dick is an actual NUBEQA patient enrolled in Access Services by Bayer.

We know the PA process can be time-consuming. Let us help.

Most health plans require PAs for oncology products, including NUBEQA. The provider may need to obtain authorization before coverage can be confirmed. It is important to provide complete and accurate information for every PA to help streamline the process and avoid delays.

Use this 3-step process to help your patients receive NUBEQA as prescribed:



Determine if a PA is needed:

Conduct a benefits investigation through Access Services by Bayer™.



Initiate the PA process:

Review the PA Checklist inside before submitting a PA or exception request.



Follow up:

Seek support when appealing an adverse determination, if needed.

Enroll your NUBEQA patients in Access Services by Bayer to receive support for the PA process, including appeals.

INDICATIONS

NUBEQA® (darolutamide) is an androgen receptor inhibitor indicated for the treatment of adult patients with:

- Non-metastatic castration-resistant prostate cancer (nmCRPC)
- Metastatic hormone-sensitive prostate cancer (mHSPC) in combination with docetaxel

IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

Warnings & Precautions

Ischemic Heart Disease – In a study of patients with nmCRPC (ARAMIS), ischemic heart disease occurred in 3.2% of patients receiving NUBEQA versus 2.5% receiving placebo, including Grade 3-4 events in 1.7% vs. 0.4%, respectively. Ischemic events led to death in 0.3% of patients receiving NUBEQA vs. 0.2% receiving placebo. In a study of patients with mHSPC (ARASENS), ischemic heart disease occurred in 3.2% of patients receiving NUBEQA with docetaxel vs. 2% receiving placebo with docetaxel, including Grade 3-4 events in 1.3% vs. 1.1%, respectively. Ischemic events led to death in 0.3% of patients receiving NUBEQA with docetaxel vs. 0% receiving placebo with docetaxel. Monitor for signs and symptoms of ischemic heart disease. Optimize management of cardiovascular risk factors, such as hypertension, diabetes, or dyslipidemia. Discontinue NUBEQA for Grade 3-4 ischemic heart disease.

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✓ Tips for completing and filing a PA

- Recognize that PA criteria for NUBEQA can vary by plan and may change frequently
- Remember, the plan may require a specific form. CoverMyMeds® offers payer-specific PA request forms for NUBEQA. CoverMyMeds is an online platform that can assist with the PA process
- Consider submitting an ePA. ePAs can be submitted 3x faster than manual PAs.¹ Review the tab at right to learn about the advantages of ePA vs fax
- Use appropriate and specific ICD-10-CM diagnosis codes, such as²:

mHSPC

C61 (malignant neoplasm of the prostate)
Z19.1 (hormone-sensitive malignancy status)
Z51.11 (encounter for antineoplastic chemotherapy)
C78.0-C78.8 and C79.0-C79.9 (secondary malignant neoplasms)

nmCRPC

C61 (malignant neoplasm of the prostate)
Z19.2 (hormone-resistant malignancy status)

- Provide clinical details to support the medical necessity of NUBEQA. Ensure the information provided fully supports the prescriber's rationale for prescribing NUBEQA. Consider proactively submitting a Letter of Medical Necessity
- Reinforce medical necessity with clinical guidelines, such as the most recent NCCN Guidelines® (available at NCCN.org), which can be attached to a PA request submission for NUBEQA

+ Requesting a medical exception

A medical exception may be needed when the patient's situation fails to meet all coverage criteria for NUBEQA, for example:

- NUBEQA is non-formulary
- A non-standard dosing regimen or quantity has been prescribed
- The plan requires step therapy, ie, trial and failure of another product

A plan may use the same form for PA and medical exception requests, or a separate form may be required.

🔪 Appealing a PA denial

A PA request may be rejected for many reasons, including clerical errors and incomplete form fields. Carefully review and address specific reasons for the denial provided in payer communications. Contact the payer for clarification, if needed. Appeal processes can vary by payer, and timely filing is crucial.

60% of appealed PAs are approved³

Review the tab at right to learn about the benefits of submitting an ePA vs fax. To streamline the process, CoverMyMeds can automatically populate an ePA appeals form.

For helpful resources to support the PA process, including a Letter of Medical Necessity, an Appeal Checklist, and a Sample Appeal Letter, visit www.NUBEQAhcp.com/resources/for-your-practice

ePA=electronic prior authorization; ICD-10-CM=International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision, Clinical Modification; mHSPC=metastatic hormone-sensitive prostate cancer; NCCN=National Comprehensive Cancer Network; nmCRPC=non-metastatic castration-resistant prostate cancer.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION (cont'd)

Warnings & Precautions (cont'd)

Seizure – In ARAMIS, Grade 1-2 seizure occurred in 0.2% of patients receiving NUBEQA vs. 0.2% receiving placebo. Seizure occurred 261 and 456 days after initiation of NUBEQA. In ARASENS, seizure occurred in 0.6% of patients receiving NUBEQA with docetaxel, including one Grade 3 event, vs. 0.2% receiving placebo with docetaxel. Seizure occurred 38 to 340 days after initiation of NUBEQA. It is unknown whether anti-epileptic medications will prevent seizures with NUBEQA. Advise patients of the risk of developing a seizure while receiving NUBEQA and of engaging in any activity where sudden loss of consciousness could cause harm to themselves or others. Consider discontinuation of NUBEQA in patients who develop a seizure during treatment.

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within
5 MINUTES³
Faxed submissions required ≥ 1 day⁴

ePA support for NUBEQA through CoverMyMeds:

CoverMyMeds offers payer-specific forms, a centralized dashboard with real-time updates, live ePA and appeals support, and more.

Log in or create your account at CoverMyMeds.com. Then select **New Request** and enter **NUBEQA**

- 1 For ePA support, select **Start PA** then complete the required fields
 - For appeals and medical exception support, select **Start Enrollment** then complete the required fields

Tip – Fill out the comments section on the ePA form with **all relevant information** to support the therapy approval request

- 2 Click **Submit** to complete the ePA or enrollment process
- 3 **Check** your patient's case status, including the ePA status, by selecting **Cases** on the left side of the portal at any time

ePAs can be submitted 3X FASTER than manual PAs¹

For additional questions or support with the platform:



Live Chat: www.CoverMyMeds.com

Phone: 1-800-288-8374

Resources: go.CoverMyMeds.com/specialtydemo


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PA submission checklist for NUBEQA*

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PREPARE FOR PA SUBMISSION:

- Review the patient's coverage policy or PA criteria for NUBEQA and note any specific clinical requirements (eg, lab values, radiology results, ADT)
- Identify if an exception may be needed
- Confirm that the patient will be receiving a GnRH analog or has undergone a bilateral orchiectomy⁵
- Check if the payer requires a specific PA request form for NUBEQA

Contact Access Services by Bayer or your FRM for assistance. CoverMyMeds offers payer-specific PA forms for NUBEQA.

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COMPLETE THE PA REQUEST, INCLUDING:

- Appropriate and specific ICD-10-CM diagnosis codes, including secondary codes
- Initial date of prostate cancer diagnosis
- Key laboratory test values, imaging results, and surgical outcomes (eg, PSA, serum testosterone, eGFR, radiograph, CT, MRI, PET scan, pathology report)
- Treatment history for prostate cancer, including medication dosage regimens and start/stop dates (IMPORTANT: Specify if the patient has taken NUBEQA, including free samples, and describe the patient's experience)
- Contraindications and intolerances to medications
- Information about GnRH analog use or bilateral orchiectomy⁵
- (mHSPC only) Evidence of upcoming, current, or past treatment with docetaxel⁵
- Medication information for NUBEQA (Specify the complete regimen, including dosage form, strength, frequency, route of administration, and quantity of NUBEQA for the patient):
 - NUBEQA is supplied in a 120-count bottle (NDC: 50419-0395-01)⁵

Provide detailed information to support the medical necessity of NUBEQA. Attach supporting documentation, such as office notes, clinical guidelines, a letter of medical necessity, and the prescribing information for NUBEQA to the PA submission.

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SUBMIT THE PA REQUEST:

- Confirm the correct plan-specific form was selected
- Check that all required fields have been completed
- Attach supporting documentation (check the Document Upload section in CoverMyMeds)
- Ensure the PA request will be submitted to the patient's pharmacy benefit administrator
- Click "Submit PA Form" on CoverMyMeds or fax to the payer

After submission, follow up with the payer as needed. Use CoverMyMeds to check your patient's case status, including the PA status, by Selecting "Cases" on the left side of the portal at any time.

ADT=androgen deprivation therapy; CT=computed tomography; eGFR=estimated glomerular filtration rate; FRM=Field Reimbursement Manager; GnRH=gonadotropin-releasing hormone; MRI=magnetic resonance imaging; NDC=National Drug Code; PET=positron emission tomography; PSA=prostate-specific antigen.

*Information provided in this resource is for informational purposes only and does not guarantee that codes will be appropriate or that coverage will result. Customers should consult with their payers for all relevant coverage and coding.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION (cont'd)

Warnings & Precautions (cont'd)

Embryo-Fetal Toxicity – Safety and efficacy of NUBEQA have not been established in females. NUBEQA can cause fetal harm and loss of pregnancy. Advise males with female partners of reproductive potential to use effective contraception during treatment with NUBEQA and for 1 week after the last dose.

Adverse Reactions

In ARAMIS, serious adverse reactions occurred in 25% of patients receiving NUBEQA vs. 20% of patients receiving placebo. Serious adverse reactions in ≥1% of patients who received NUBEQA included urinary retention, pneumonia, and hematuria.

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Let Bayer support you with PAs and appeals so you can focus on your patient's NUBEQA treatment.



are here to help with end-to-end PA process education and support, including assistance with appeals.

Need more information?
Connect with your Bayer FRM:

FRM name

FRM phone number

FRM email


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Enrolling in Access Services by Bayer provides additional support for your patients taking NUBEQA

Complete these quick steps to allow your patients to obtain assistance from Access Services by Bayer:

- 1 Obtain an enrollment form using one of these methods:
 - **CoverMyMeds.com:** Search for NUBEQA and select “enrollment form”
 - **A Bayer Sales Consultant:** Request a printed enrollment form
 - **NUBEQAhcp.com:** Select “Resources, For Your Practice” to download the Patient Services Request Form
- 2 Ensure the form is signed and dated by the prescriber and the patient. Both the prescriber and the patient must sign the enrollment form before Access Services by Bayer can help. A patient can sign:
 - In-office
 - Via email
 - With Patient HIPAA Authorization Form**Enrollment is valid for 5 years.**
- 3 Submit the form electronically at CoverMyMeds or fax the printed form to 1-800-390-1826

IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION (cont'd)

Adverse Reactions (cont'd)

Fatal adverse reactions occurred in 3.9% of patients receiving NUBEQA vs. 3.2% of patients receiving placebo. Fatal adverse reactions in patients who received NUBEQA included death (0.4%), cardiac failure (0.3%), cardiac arrest (0.2%), general physical health deterioration (0.2%), and pulmonary embolism (0.2%). The most common adverse reactions (>2% with a $\geq 2\%$ increase over placebo), including laboratory test abnormalities, were increased AST, decreased neutrophil count, fatigue, increased bilirubin, pain in extremity, and rash. Clinically relevant adverse reactions occurring in $\geq 2\%$ of patients treated with NUBEQA included ischemic heart disease and heart failure.

In ARASENS, serious adverse reactions occurred in 45% of patients receiving NUBEQA with docetaxel vs. 42% of patients receiving placebo with docetaxel. Serious adverse reactions in $\geq 2\%$ of patients who received NUBEQA with docetaxel included febrile neutropenia (6%), decreased neutrophil count (2.8%), musculoskeletal pain (2.6%), and pneumonia (2.6%). Fatal adverse reactions occurred in 4% of patients receiving NUBEQA with docetaxel vs. 4% of patients receiving placebo with docetaxel. Fatal adverse reactions in patients who received NUBEQA included COVID-19/COVID-19 pneumonia (0.8%), myocardial infarction (0.3%), and sudden death (0.3%). The most common adverse reactions ($\geq 10\%$ with a $\geq 2\%$ increase over placebo with docetaxel) were constipation, rash, decreased appetite, hemorrhage, increased weight, and hypertension. The most common laboratory test abnormalities ($\geq 30\%$) were anemia, hyperglycemia, decreased lymphocyte count, decreased neutrophil count, increased AST, increased ALT, and hypocalcemia. Clinically relevant adverse reactions in <10% of patients who received NUBEQA with docetaxel included fractures, ischemic heart disease, seizures, and drug-induced liver injury.

Drug Interactions

Effect of Other Drugs on NUBEQA – Combined P-gp and strong or moderate CYP3A4 inducers decrease NUBEQA exposure, which may decrease NUBEQA activity. Avoid concomitant use.

Combined P-gp and strong CYP3A4 inhibitors increase NUBEQA exposure, which may increase the risk of NUBEQA adverse reactions. Monitor more frequently and modify NUBEQA dose as needed.

Effects of NUBEQA on Other Drugs – NUBEQA inhibits breast cancer resistance protein (BCRP) transporter. Concomitant use increases exposure (AUC) and maximal concentration of BCRP substrates, which may increase the risk of BCRP substrate-related toxicities. Avoid concomitant use where possible. If used together, monitor more frequently for adverse reactions, and consider dose reduction of the BCRP substrate.

NUBEQA inhibits OATP1B1 and OATP1B3 transporters. Concomitant use may increase plasma concentrations of OATP1B1 or OATP1B3 substrates. Monitor more frequently for adverse reactions and consider dose reduction of these substrates. Review the Prescribing Information of drugs that are BCRP, OATP1B1, and OATP1B3 substrates when used concomitantly with NUBEQA.

Please see full [Prescribing Information](#).

CoverMyMeds is an independent party.

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