





# ACCESS TOOL KIT

Navigating the coverage and reimbursement process to help patients start and stay on therapy



### **About This Guide**

Averitas Pharma, Inc., the manufacturer of QUTENZA® (capsaicin) 8% topical system, is committed to supporting patients seeking medically appropriate treatment of painful diabetic peripheral neuropathy of the feet. The Access Tool Kit is designed to assist healthcare providers (HCPs) with coverage and reimbursement questions related to the use and administration of QUTENZA, including information and resources to assist with benefits investigations, prior authorizations, product ordering, claims submission, appeals, and co-payment support.

In addition, My QUTENZA Connect (MQC), a service provided by Averitas, offers customized support depending on your unique coverage and reimbursement needs.

### Important Note

- This Access Tool Kit and My QUTENZA Connect are intended solely as resources to assist healthcare providers with coverage and reimbursement-related questions about QUTENZA. Health insurance coverage and reimbursement for QUTENZA may vary. Averitas makes no representations about the information provided, as applicable coverage and reimbursement requirements may change periodically and often without warning.
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- The content in this Access Tool Kit is current as of February 2024. Information on My QUTENZA Connect is also updated from time to time.



### **Important Safety Information**

#### **INDICATION**

QUTENZA® (capsaicin) 8% topical system is indicated in adults for the treatment of neuropathic pain associated with postherpetic neuralgia (PHN) or associated with diabetic peripheral neuropathy (DPN) of the feet.

#### IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

Do not dispense QUTENZA to patients for self-administration or handling. Use only on dry, unbroken skin. Only physicians or healthcare professionals are to administer and handle QUTENZA, following the procedures in the label.

#### **Warnings and Precautions**

- Severe Irritation: Whether applied directly or transferred accidentally from other surfaces, capsaicin can cause severe irritation of eyes, mucous membranes, respiratory tract, and skin to the healthcare professional, patients, and others. Do not use near eyes or mucous membranes, including face and scalp. Take protective measures, including wearing nitrile gloves and not touching items or surfaces that the patient may also touch. Flush irritated mucous membranes or eyes with water and provide supportive medical care for shortness of breath. Remove affected individuals from the vicinity of QUTENZA. Do not re-expose affected individuals to QUTENZA if respiratory irritation worsens or does not resolve. If skin not intended to be treated comes into contact with QUTENZA, apply Cleansing Gel and then wipe off with dry gauze. Thoroughly clean all areas and items exposed to QUTENZA and dispose of properly. Because aerosolization of capsaicin can occur with rapid removal, administer QUTENZA in a wellventilated area, and remove gently and slowly, rolling the adhesive side inward.
- Application-Associated Pain: Patients may experience substantial procedural pain and burning upon application and following removal of QUTENZA.
   Prepare to treat acute pain during and following application with local cooling (e.g., ice pack) and/or appropriate analgesic medication.

- Increase in Blood Pressure: Transient increases in blood pressure may occur with QUTENZA treatment. Monitor blood pressure during and following treatment procedure and provide support for treatment-related pain. Patients with unstable or poorly controlled hypertension, or a recent history of cardiovascular or cerebrovascular events, may be at an increased risk of adverse cardiovascular effects. Consider these factors prior to initiating QUTENZA treatment.
- Sensory Function: Reductions in sensory function (generally minor and temporary) have been reported following administration of QUTENZA. All patients with sensory deficits should be assessed for signs of sensory deterioration or loss prior to each application of QUTENZA. If sensory loss occurs, treatment should be reconsidered.

#### **Adverse Reactions**

The most common adverse reactions (≥5% and > control group) in all controlled clinical trials are application site erythema, application site pain, and application site pruritus.

To report SUSPECTED ADVERSE REACTIONS, contact Averitas Pharma, Inc. at 1-877-900-6479 or FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088 or <a href="https://www.fda.gov/medwatch">www.fda.gov/medwatch</a>.

Please see full Prescribing Information at <a href="https://QUTENZAhcp.com/pdfs/QUTENZA\_Prescribing\_Information.pdf">https://QUTENZAhcp.com/pdfs/QUTENZA\_Prescribing\_Information.pdf</a>



# Integrating QUTENZA Into Your Practice



# **Integrating QUTENZA in 4 Easy Steps**

The steps provided below will enable you to implement an efficient ordering, approval, and reimbursement process.



### **Getting Started**

Once you have identified patients who would benefit from using QUTENZA, ensure that the proper systems and processes are in place for providers to prescribe QUTENZA.

#### Establish whether your office or facility requires a formal review of QUTENZA.

Should additional information be required to support a review, please contact your QUTENZA Account Manager.

#### Confirm product availability.

Refer to the list of QUTENZA-contracted specialty distributors.



QUTENZAhcp.com/access-and-savings/product-access

#### Request product application training.

Your QUTENZA Account Manager can conduct a product in-service and demonstrate how QUTENZA should be applied. Click the link below to watch a demonstration of the application process.



QUTENZAhcp.com/dpn/about-QUTENZA/applying-QUTENZA



# **Enrolling in My QUTENZA Connect**

My QUTENZA Connect (MQC) is available to conduct benefit investigations before your patients are scheduled for treatment. You can also contact your Field Access Manager to address any questions that you may have.

#### **Determine benefits.**

Enrollment in My QUTENZA Connect is simple. MQC offers access to tools and information that may aid in the reimbursement process. You can submit a benefits investigation request through the MQC portal to obtain information about coverage for a patient, including percentage of deductible met, an estimate of patient out-of-pocket costs, and payer utilization requirements.



MyQUTENZAConnect.com/enrollments/new

#### Set up your account with MQC.

Enroll your patients to determine benefit coverage.

#### Obtain payer approval, when necessary.

You may be asked to submit clinical documentation to establish the medical necessity of your patient's treatment with QUTENZA. The Patient Chart Documentation form is a tool that can support this process. MQC also provides prior authorization and certification support.



QUTENZAhcp.com/pdfs/M-QZA-US-12-21-0010\_QUTENZA-Patient-Chart-Documentation-Form.pdf



# Integrating QUTENZA in 4 Easy Steps (cont'd)

The steps provided below will enable you to implement an efficient ordering, approval, and reimbursement process.



## **Treating Patients**

Completion of steps 1 and 2 will help you implement an efficient workflow for prescribing QUTENZA. Next is the treatment phase.

#### Order the product.

Order QUTENZA so you have it on hand for your patient's treatment.



QUTENZAhcp.com/access-and-savings/product-access

#### Schedule your patient and conduct the in-office procedure.

To help manage expectations, educate your patients on what to expect during treatment. Your QUTENZA Account Manager can provide you with a step-by-step QUTENZA application guide as well as various resources, such as:

- Patient brochures
- Patient treatment tips sheet

#### Establish ongoing treatment as appropriate.

Ensure your patients are scheduled for ongoing treatment as clinically appropriate. Treatment may be repeated no more frequently than every 3 months.



MyQUTENZAConnect.com



### **Submitting Claims**

Obtaining appropriate reimbursement for QUTENZA can be simple.

#### Bill for QUTENZA and/or the administration.

The Reimbursement Guide includes helpful tips for submitting a claim. You can also contact your Field Access Manager for additional support with your questions.



QUTENZAhcp.com/pdfs/QZA-02-22-0023\_v12\_August-2023-Reimbursement-Guide\_AFD\_082223.pdf

#### Explore cost savings support options for your commercially insured patients.

The My QUTENZA Connect Cost Savings Program can help cover costs related to QUTENZA treatment. Your patients may be eligible for cost savings if they:

- Are taking QUTENZA for an FDA-approved use
- Are 18 years of age or older
- Use commercial (private) insurance for QUTENZA coverage
- Live and receive treatment in the United States
- Do not use a state or federal healthcare plan to pay for their medication, including Medicare, Medicaid, and TRICARE
- See full terms and conditions at:



QUTENZAhcp.com/access-and-savings/patient-savings





# My Qutenza Connect

# **Introducing My QUTENZA Connect**

My QUTENZA Connect was created to offer healthcare professionals a suite of educational tools and support programs tailored to the different phases of the patient's treatment journey.



#### REIMBURSEMENT SUPPORT

Plan-specific requirements for reimbursement:

- Benefits investigation
- Prior authorization support



#### **BILLING AND CODING SUPPORT**

Helpful tips when submitting a claim:

- Patient chart documentation template
- QUTENZA topical system product codes
- Information on claims submission and appeals



#### PRODUCT ORDERING

Product ordering guidelines and resources:

- Buy-and-bill and specialty pharmacy options
- Specialty distributor and specialty pharmacy contact information
- Packaging information



#### **ONGOING SUPPORT**

Resources to help once your patients are undergoing treatment:

- Resources and tools to support patient education
- Field Access Managers
- Cost Savings Program for commercially insured patients; see page 30 for more information



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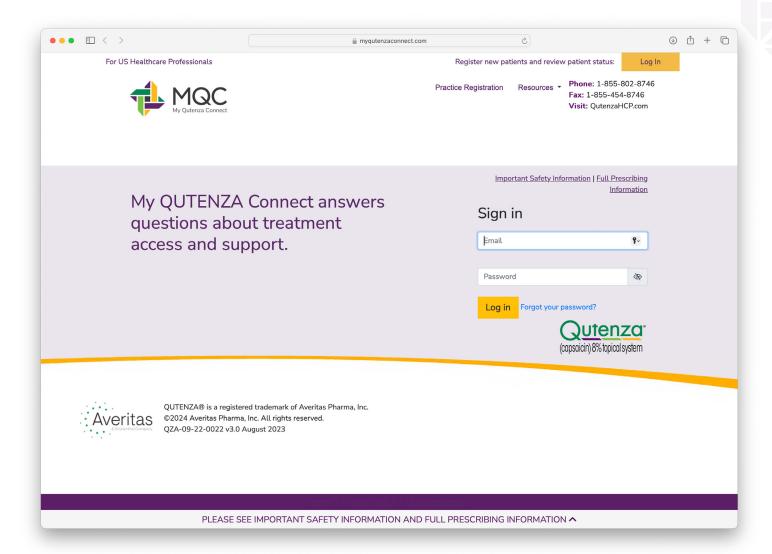
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**MyQUTENZAConnect.com** 

# **Enrolling in My QUTENZA Connect**

My QUTENZA Connect offers customized support depending on your unique access and reimbursement needs, a provider support hotline to help with questions, and the opportunity for more hands-on assistance with reimbursement specialists who can conduct a benefits investigation and help with your questions on prior authorizations and appeals.





#### Once you enroll in MQC, you can:

- Monitor patient case information
- Receive case status updates
- Upload clinical information
- Live chat with your MQC Case Manager
- Connect with your Averitas Field Access Manager

# Benefits Investigation



# **Conducting a Benefits Investigation**

It is important to understand and verify patient insurance benefits prior to initiating treatment. A benefits investigation can provide the healthcare provider office with the following:

Payer Coverage Requirements Coding and Billing
Requirements

Patient Cost-Share Considerations

#### RECOMMENDED BEST PRACTICES

- Obtain the patient's information, the patient's insurance information, and your facility/office's tax ID number and national provider identifier (NPI), then call the payer's provider services line.
- ✓ Ask about the coverage criteria specifically for the use of QUTENZA.
- ✓ Verify that HCPCS and CPT codes for use are covered for the patient's diagnosis. Provide applicable ICD-10-CM code(s).
- ✓ Ask whether the payer has set a maximum number of applications or treatment options, and if so, how many.
- Ask whether any documentation should be submitted with the claim. If so, ask how the documentation should be submitted.
- Ask if the payer has a specific medical policy pertaining to QUTENZA, and if so, whether they can provide a link to the policy.
- Ask whether a referral is required from the primary care physician.
- ✓ Inquire whether the patient has any coverage limitations or policy exclusions for the treatment and application of QUTENZA.
- Verify your contracted reimbursement rate for the appropriate HCPCS and CPT codes and how much the patient will be required to pay out of pocket.



### Need Assistance Conducting a Benefits Investigation?



My QUTENZA Connect can help. A Reimbursement Case Manager will research the patient's insurance benefits and send a patient-specific Summary of Benefits and Benefits Results to your office. The results can also be viewed on the My QUTENZA Connect HCP Portal. Visit <a href="MyQUTENZAConnect.com">MyQUTENZAConnect.com</a> or ask your Averitas Field Access Manager for more information.



# Supporting Your Benefits Investigation



After My QUTENZA Connect receives the Benefits Investigation Request and Prescription Form, the team will provide your practice with the patient's QUTENZA Benefits Investigation Results.

Patient Information Included in this section are the patient's name, DOB, and ID as well as the BI Case Number. The BI Case Number is assigned by MQC	(capsaicin) 8% topical system	QUTENZA BE	ENEFITS INV	ESTIGATIO	N RESULTS	Fax: MyQUTI	e: 855-802-8746 855-454-8746 ENZAConnect.com M-F) 9 AM-7 PM ET
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Lists information on your patient's medical coverage. It also outlines the patient's copay, deductible, and out-of-pocket (OOP) responsibility.							
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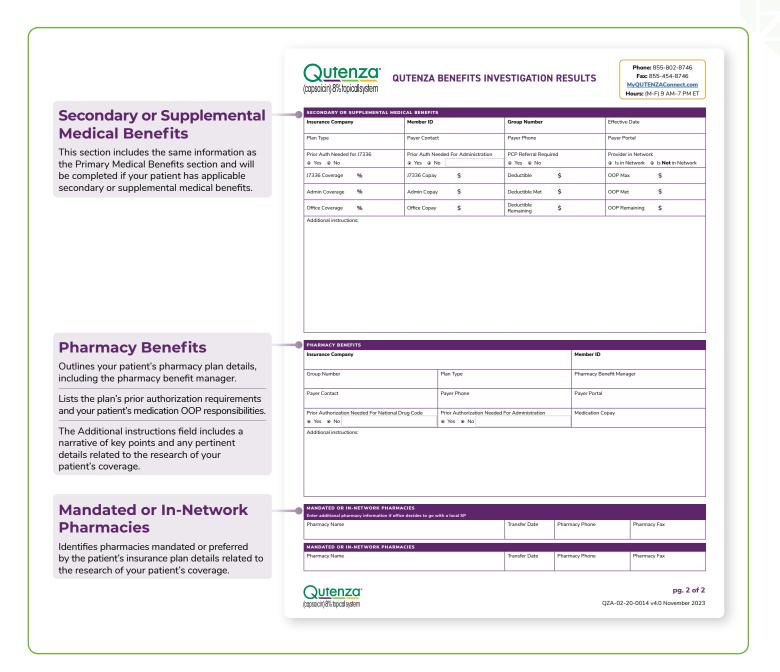
The Benefits Investigation Summary or Results is not a guarantee of coverage or payment. It is the responsibility of the practice to confirm eligibility and that coverage requirements are met prior to each QUTENZA administration.



# Supporting Your Benefits Investigation (cont'd)



The comprehensive results allow you to make the most appropriate choice for your patient and your practice on how to access QUTENZA.



The Benefits Investigation Summary or Results is not a guarantee of coverage or payment. It is the responsibility of the practice to confirm eligibility and that coverage requirements are met prior to each QUTENZA administration.



# **Prior Authorization**



# Establishing Medical Necessity for a Prior Authorization

Health insurers use prior authorizations to evaluate the medical necessity of planned medical services.

If a patient's health plan requires prior authorization, you likely will be asked to submit specific information and send a letter or statement to support the medical necessity for the use of QUTENZA for your patient. Otherwise, QUTENZA treatment and its administration may not be covered by the patient's insurance. An approved prior authorization request confirms coverage, but it does not guarantee reimbursement.

While the format and requested information for a prior authorization may differ from health plan to health plan, examples of the type of information generally required is below.

- Diagnosis summary, including the ICD-10-CM code and date of diagnosis
- Diagnostic tests
- Summary of patient's medical history
- Severity of patient's condition, including comorbidities
- Previously administered treatments/procedures including dates, and any response to those interventions which may include:
  - O Gabapentin, pregabalin, SSRIs, tricyclic, OTCs, topical capsaicin, lidocaine
- Relevant procedure and HCPCS codes
- Product prescribing information and NDC number
- Identifying information for the referring provider and servicing provider
- Number of treatments required

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Averitas offers helpful resources that you can use when documenting medical necessity for QUTENZA. The Patient Chart Documentation form allows you to capture important information in a patient's chart that may be required for the prior authorization, such as diagnosis code, patient's Numeric Pain Rating Scale Score, and AIC level. To download the form, visit QUTENZAhcp.com or ask your Averitas

Field Access Manager for more information.



**Download Patient Chart Documentation Form** 



# **Drafting a Letter of Medical Necessity**

Additional support for medical necessity may be required. This form letter can be used to help you draft a letter to support the need for QUTENZA for a patient. Always check to see if the patient's health insurance has their own template for you to follow when submitting a letter of medical necessity.

#### LETTER OF MEDICAL NECESSITY

[Date]

[Name of Health Insurance Company] [Attn:] [Address] [City, State, ZIP]

Re: Letter of Medical Necessity for QUTENZA® (capsaicin) 8% Topical System

Patient: [Patient Name] Group/Policy Number: [Number] Diagnosis: [Code and Description] Date of Diagnosis: [Date]

Dear [Insert contact name or department]:

I am writing on behalf of my patient, [Patient Name], to document medical necessity for treatment with QUTENZA® (capsaicin) 8% topical system. [Patient Name] was first diagnosed with [The patient's diagnosis (ICD-10-CM code)] on [date of diagnosis]. Therapies prescribed to treat the condition include [list the names of current or past treatments].

At this time, I plan to start [Patient Name] on a course of treatment with QUTENZA.

[Patient Name] will be treated with [two/three/four] systems on [specify treatment area(s)] for [number of treatment cycles]

[Insert a statement describing how the patient's disease is impacting the patient's health.]

In my professional opinion, QUTENZA is medically necessary and is an appropriate drug for [Patient Name] at this time. I have enclosed the prescribing information for QUTENZA along with [Patient Name]s [list pertinent enclosures such as prior medication flow sheets and chart notes]. Please feel fee to contact me if you require any additional information.

Sincerely

[Physician Name] [Physician Signature] [Provider Identification Number]

Enclosures: [List and attach as appropriate]

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Download the <u>Sample Letter of</u>
<u>Medical Necessity</u>
at <u>QUTENZAhcp.com</u>.

#### Checklist for a Letter of Medical Necessity

- Indicate whether the patient is newly initiating therapy or continuing ongoing therapy.Requirements may differ, depending on where the patient is in the ongoing treatment being received.
- Specify the likely date of service. This will help confirm that coverage will be active at the time of QUTENZA administration.
- Identify the need for multiple procedure codes, if necessary.
  If a family of CPT codes is relevant, be proactive and request preauthorization for those codes.
  Many payers will not allow for a CPT code they did not authorize.
- State the specific site of service. Payers may have differing coverage and reimbursement policies that are based on the geographic location of the site of care.
- Identify the prescribing specialist.
  Plan managers may want to verify that QUTENZA was prescribed by, or in consultation with, a specialist.
- Be clear and detailed regarding the rationale for prescribing QUTENZA.
  Ensure that all supporting documentation is complete before submitting the form(s).
- Append supporting documentation.

  Types of relevant documentation may include peer-reviewed, nationally recognized guidelines (e.g., ADA Clinical Compendia, AACE Clinical Practice Guideline) or the prescribing information.

This Letter of Medical Necessity form is for educational purposes only and serves as a guide for the HCP. The HCP must modify the format of the letter and include the appropriate detail to reflect the patient's specific facts and circumstances, or to include specific information that may be required by individual payers.



# **Requesting the Prior Authorization**

For safety and cost reasons, plans may set quantity limits on the amount of therapy they cover over a certain period of time. When submitting a prior authorization request, you may ask to obtain preauthorization for the full number of treatments of Qutenza for your patient rather than to submit a new request in advance of each treatment. Treatments may be repeated no more frequently than every 3 months, which equals up to 4 treatments a year.



#### **TREATMENT 1**



#### **TREATMENT 2**

(Month 3\*)

#### Assess patient progress over multiple treatments

#### **PAIN RELIEF**

Is patient starting to experience pain relief?

#### **IMPACT ON DAY-TO-DAY ACTIVITIES**

With less pain, has patient seen any progress on their day-to-day activities (time with family, socializing with friends, sleep, cooking, or household chores)?



### TREATMENT 3

(Month 6\*)

#### ONGOING TREATMENTS 4 TIMES EACH YEAR

Evaluate patient response to treatment and schedule ongoing treatments.

Some payers may have established quantity limits for QUTENZA. My QUTENZA Connect can help your office understand the coverage policies for most payers, when available. If you need further assistance, contact My QUTENZA Connect at 855-802-8746, Monday through Friday, 9 am to 7 pm ET.



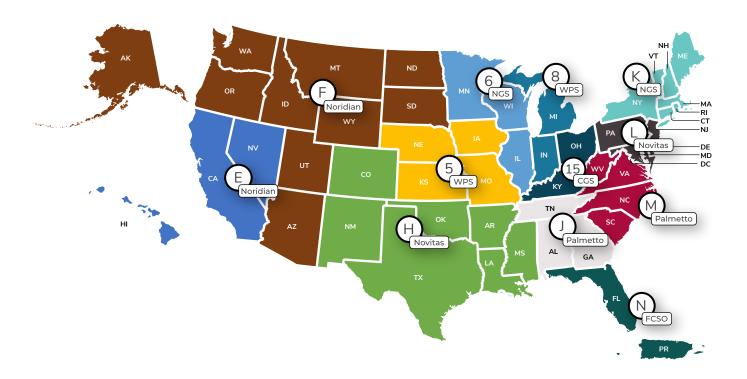
\*Treatment may be repeated no more frequently than every 3 months.

Qutenza (capsaicin) 8% topical system

# **Contacting a Payer**

Contact a payer via their dedicated provider services phone number or through their online portal. When calling, have the patient's insurance details, the provider's information, and the specifics of the service or procedure you are inquiring about ready to ensure a smooth and efficient discussion.

#### Medicare Part B Jurisdictions<sup>1</sup>



Medicare has established provider contact centers for those who may have questions about any product or service prior to submitting any claim.

Jurisdiction	IVR	Jurisdiction	IVR	Jurisdiction	IVR
5	866-518-3285	E	855-609-9960	K	877-869-6504
6	877-908-9499	F	877-908-8431	L	877-235-8073
8	866-234-7331	Н	855-252-8782	М	855-696-0705
15	866-276-9558	J	877-567-7271	N	877-847-4992

All commercial claims should be addressed by calling the number on the back of the member's ID card

### Questions?

Contact your Field Access Manager. www.QUTENZAhcp.com/request-a-rep/



# **Acquiring QUTENZA**









QUTENZA is a single-use topical system stored in a foil pouch. Each QUTENZA is 14 cm x 20 cm (280 cm²). QUTENZA is supplied with Cleansing Gel that is used to remove residual capsaicin from the skin after treatment.

Each topical system contains a total of 179 mg of capsaicin.

Packaging	NDC #72512-928-01	NDC #72512-929-01	NDC #72512-930-01
	Kit (carton) contains one single- use topical system and one 50 g tube of Cleansing Gel	Kit (carton) contains two single-use topical systems and one 50 g tube of Cleansing Gel	Kit (carton) contains four single-use topical systems and three 50 g tubes of Cleansing Gel
Strength	Contains 8% capsaicin (640 mcg pof capsaicin.	per cm²). Each QUTENZA topical syste	m contains a total of 179 mg



#### QUTENZA STORAGE AND HANDLING

- Store between 20°C and 25°C (68°F and 77°F).
- Excursions between 15°C and 30°C (59°F and 86°F)
   are allowed
- Keep the topical system in the sealed pouch until immediately before use.
- Shelf life is 4 years for an unopened kit.
- Recommended to keep the package stored horizontally until use.



NDC, national drug code

# **Ordering QUTENZA**

#### Via Specialty Distributors

• You may order from one of the specialty distributors included in the QUTENZA network. If you don't have an account, one should be created before ordering QUTENZA.

Authorized Specialty Distributor	Contact Information	Website
AmerisourceBergen / ASD Healthcare	<b>Phone:</b> 800-746-6273 <b>Fax:</b> 800-547-9413	asdhealthcare.com
Besse Medical Supply	<b>Phone:</b> 800-543-8695 <b>Fax:</b> 800-543-8695	besse.com
Cardinal Health	Community Practice Phone: 877-453-3972 Institutions Phone: 866-677-4844 Fax: 888-345-4916	specialtyonline.cardinalhealth. com
Curascript	<b>Phone:</b> 877-599-7748 <b>Fax:</b> 800-862-6208	curascriptsd.com
McKesson Medical-Surgical	<b>Phone:</b> 855-571-2100 <b>Fax:</b> 866-906-5688	mms.mckesson.com
McKesson Plasma & Biologics	<b>Phone:</b> 877-625-2566 <b>Fax:</b> 888-752-7626	connect.mckesson.com
McKesson Specialty Care	<b>Phone:</b> 855-477-9800 <b>Fax:</b> 800-800-5673	mscs.mckesson.com

#### Via Specialty Pharmacy

 Some payers may require use of a specific acquisition method. If you request a benefits investigation from My QUTENZA Connect, the office will be notified if the patient's payer requires QUTENZA to be purchased from a specific specialty pharmacy.



# **Billing and Coding**



# **Coding Claims**

When the patient has received QUTENZA, your office may submit a claim to the patient's insurance plan. Depending on the patient's benefits, your office may submit a claim for the drug, for the administration services, or for both. The information within this section reviews some of the codes commonly associated with the administration of QUTENZA.

Determining coverage and reimbursement parameters and appropriate coding for a patient and/or procedure is always solely the responsibility of the provider.

### **QUTENZA Topical System Coding**

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NDC numbers, 11-digit format			ut payers often require an 11-digit NDC format for specific requirements prior to submitting a claim.
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Additional claim information	Please consult with		o determine what information, if any,
Number of units	1 topical system 3 topical systems	= 280 units = 840 units	2 topical systems = 560 units 4 topical systems = 1,120 units

### Diagnosis Coding

ICD-10-CM codes  Postherpetic neuralgia – PHN	The following primary diagnosis codes may be appropriate to describe patients with diabetic postherpetic neuralgia (PHN):					
	B02.23 B02.29	Postherpetic polyneuropathy Other postherpetic nervous system involvement				
ICD-10-CM codes  Diabetic peripheral neuropathy –		ng primary diagnosis codes may be appropriate to describe patients with ripheral neuropathy (DPN) of the feet:				
DPN of the feet	E08.40	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with diabetic neuropathy, unspecified				
	E08.42	Diabetes mellitus due to underlying condition with diabetic polyneuropathy				
	E09.42	Drug- or chemical-induced diabetes mellitus with neurological complications with diabetic polyneuropathy				
	E10.40	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with diabetic neuropathy, unspecified				
	E10.42	Type 1 diabetes mellitus with diabetic polyneuropathy				
	E11.40	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with diabetic neuropathy, unspecified				
	E11.42	Type 2 diabetes mellitus with diabetic polyneuropathy				
	E13.40	Other specific diabetes mellitus with diabetic neuropathy, unspecified				
	E13.42	Other specific diabetes mellitus with diabetic polyneuropathy				

ICD-10-CM, International Classification of Diseases, 10th edition, Clinical Modification; HCPCS, Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System; NDC, National Drug Code

# Coding Claims (cont'd)

HCPs may need to consider several factors to ensure accurate billing and coding for services provided. How a procedure is performed, and how complex that procedure is, may determine the appropriate code to select. Also, please note that there may be different codes associated with where exactly on the body the procedure is performed. Finally, the use of modifiers may be appropriate, as explained below.

### Administration Coding

No existing CPT code is specific to the application of QUTENZA. CPT coding requirements will vary by payer, setting of care, and date of service.

СРТ	64620	Destruction by neurolytic agent, intercostal nerve
codes*	64632	Destruction by neurolytic agent, plantar common digital nerve
	64640	Destruction by neurolytic agent, other peripheral nerve or branch
	17999	Unlisted procedure, skin, mucous membrane and subcutaneous tissue
	64999	Unlisted procedure, nervous system
	96999	Unlisted special dermatological service or procedure

### Evaluation and Management Coding

If the QUTENZA application is performed during an Evaluation and Management (E&M) service, it may be appropriate to report an E&M code if the payer-specific requirements have been met. If providing a separate E&M service at the same time as the application, it may be appropriate to report the E&M code with a modifier.

E&M codes*	99202	Office or other outpatient visit for the evaluation and management of a new patient that requires a medically appropriate history and/or examination and straightforward medical decision-making. When using time for code selection, 15–29 minutes of total time is spent on the date of the encounter.
	99203	Office or other outpatient visit for the evaluation and management of a new patient that requires a medically appropriate history and/or examination and low level of medical decision-making. When using time for code selection, 30–44 minutes of total time is spent on the date of the encounter.
	99204	Office or other outpatient visit for the evaluation and management of a new patient that requires a medically appropriate history and/or examination and moderate level of medical decision-making. When using time for code selection, 45–59 minutes of total time is spent on the date of the encounter.
	99205	Office or other outpatient visit for the evaluation and management of a new patient that requires a medically appropriate history and/or examination and high level of medical decision-making. When using time for code selection, 60–74 minutes of total time is spent on the date of the encounter.
	99211	Office or other outpatient visit for the evaluation and management of an established patient that may not require the presence of a physician or other qualified healthcare professional.
	99212	Office or other outpatient visit for the evaluation and management of an established patient that requires a medically appropriate history and/or examination and straightforward medical decision-making. When using time for code selection, 10–19 minutes of total time is spent on the date of the encounter.
	99213	Office or other outpatient visit for the evaluation and management of an established patient that requires a medically appropriate history and/or examination and low level of medical decision-making. When using time for code selection, 20–29 minutes of total time is spent on the date of the encounter.
	99214	Office or other outpatient visit for the evaluation and management of an established patient that requires a medically appropriate history and/or examination and moderate level of medical decision-making. When using time for code selection, 30–39 minutes of total time is spent on the date of the encounter.
	99215	Office or other outpatient visit for the evaluation and management of an established patient that requires a medically appropriate history and/or examination and high level of medical decision-making. When using time for code selection, 40–54 minutes of total time is spent on the date of the encounter.

CPT, current procedural terminology; E&M, evaluation and management



<sup>\*</sup>Please note that the use of modifiers may be appropriate.

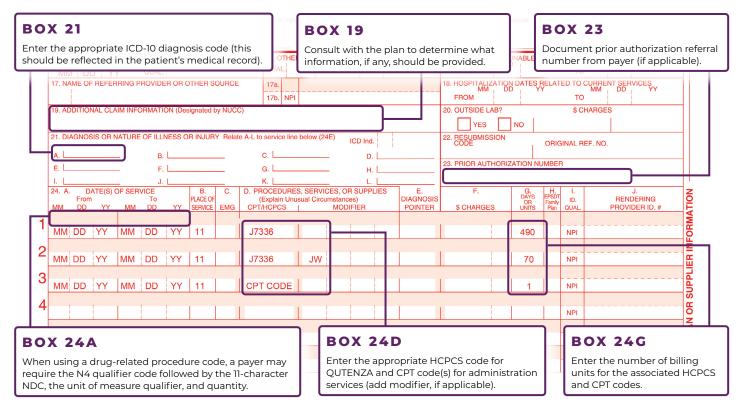
# Sample Forms by Treatment Setting

CMS-1500: Physician Office Example

To receive reimbursement for QUTENZA administered in the physician office setting of care, providers must submit a CMS-1500 claim form for the drug and associated services.

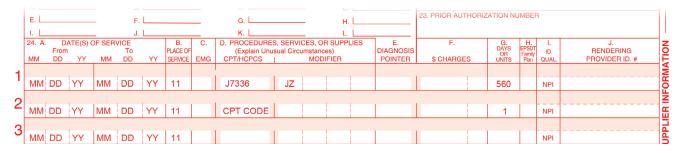
#### Example 1: JW Modifier

- A provider requires 2 topical systems to cover a treatment area of 560 cm<sup>2</sup> (560 units).
- Only 490 cm<sup>2</sup> (i.e., 490 units) was applied to the patient.
- The provider must bill the 490-unit dose on one line and must bill the discarded 70 units on another line using the JW modifier. Both line items will be processed for payment.



#### Example 2: JZ Modifier

- A provider requires 2 topical systems to cover a treatment area of 560 cm<sup>2</sup> (560 units).
- No topical system was discarded.
- The provider must include the JZ modifier to demonstrate that the entire product was administered to the patient.





# Sample Forms by Treatment Setting (cont'd)

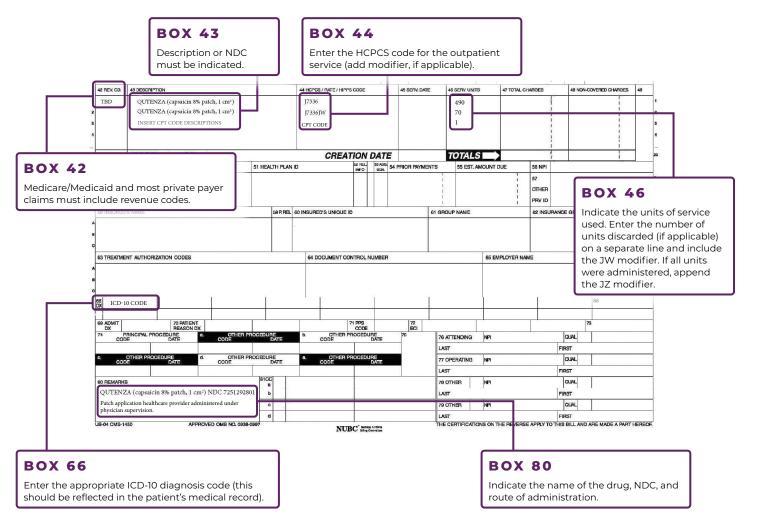
#### Example 3: JZ, RT, and LT Modifier

- A provider requires two topical systems per foot to cover a treatment area of 560 cm2 (560 units).
- No topical system was discarded.
- The provider must include the JZ modifier to demonstrate that the entire product was administered to the patient.

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#### CMS-1450: Outpatient Hospital Example

UB-04 is used for reimbursement for QUTENZA administered in an outpatient institutional setting, such as an outpatient hospital, a clinic, or an ambulatory surgical center.





# **Appealing Denied Claims**

Understanding the basis for a claim rejection is crucial in establishing the actions required to rectify the issue. Here are some common reasons a claim may be denied and actions one may take to overturn the decision.

Rejecti	on Type	Required Action
Technical	<ul> <li>Incorrect patient ID, missing signatures:</li> <li>Missing or incorrect code (e.g., transposed numbers)</li> <li>Incorrect units</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Call to correct</li> <li>Prepare and submit a corrected claim</li> </ul>
Billing	Non-covered or non-allowed service:  Service was unbundled  Incorrect placement of service code  Duplicate claim  Invalid code  Incorrect units	<ul> <li>Prepare and submit a corrected claim</li> <li>Prepare and submit an appeal</li> </ul>
Medical Necessity	The diagnosis code is not covered for the services performed:  Medical record documentation does not support the services performed as medically necessary and in accordance with the respective medical policy in place	Prepare and submit an appeal
Payer Denial	The insurance payer will not pay for the product:  Step edit, not on formulary Investigative product	Prepare and submit an appeal



Provide your submitted claim form, the provider explanation of benefits, and the Benefits Investigation Results to your **Averitas Field Access**Manager or My QUTENZA Connect to help assess the nature of the denial and learn the appropriate steps to correct.



# **Submitting an Appeal Letter**

In some cases, a denied claim can be resolved over the phone, but in other cases, the provider may need to complete and submit an appeal letter.

#### [To be completed by prescriber and printed on letterhead]

[Name of Health Insurance Company] [Attn:] [City, State, ZIP]

Re: Letter of Appeal for Coverage of QUTENZA® (capsaicin) 8% Topical System

Patient: [Patient Name] Group/Policy Number: [Number] Date(s) of service: [Dates] Diagnosis: [Code and Description]

I am writing on behalf of my patient, [Patient Name], to request reconsideration for the coverage of QUTENZA® (capsaicin) 8' topical system that was denied on [date] by [insert name of reviewer] for the following reason: [Describe the reason given in ti remittance advice]. [Insert the following sentence if applicable: For your convenience, I have attached the prior authorization request for [Patient Name], which was approved on [date].]

#### [Patient Name]'s relevant medical history, diagnosis, and treatment plan

- [The patient's diagnosis (ICD-10-CM code), date of diagnosis]
   [The date of the patient's first visit and the date of referral]
- [The severity of the patient's condition]
- [Previous treatment(s), including drug name(s), duration of treatment(s), treatment response(s), and reason(s) fi
- The patient's disease progression, including relevant test results?
- [Additional factors affecting treatment selection]

- . [State the clinical rationale for the prescription of QUTENZA]
- [Detail why the plan requirement is not appropriate for the patient]
- [List concerns about the treatment not being approved; these may include your experience with other therapies, druside effects, and any patient-specific considerations]

[Insert a plan of treatment (e.g., number of systems, duration of treatment, treatment cycle).]

Given the evidence provided, I am confident you will agree that treatment with QUTENZA is medically necessary for [Patient Name]. It is crucial that [Plan Name] [approve our prior authorization request/allow the use of QUTENZA therapy] so [Patient Name] receives the care [she needs/the needs/they need]. We appreciate your prompt review and reconsideration of this case. Please contact me at [phone number] if you need any additional information



Download the Sample Letter of Appeal at QUTENZAhcp.com.

#### Checklist for an Appeal Letter

Acknowledge the reason for the denial. This ensures the recipient knows that you are aware of the health plan's coverage policies.

Stick to the facts of the case. Do not include any conjecture.

Know your contract.

To prove or support your case, refer to the relevant contract page/section/paragraph number.

Cite specific laws, when applicable. Strengthen your points with examples of relevant regulations, such as timely filing and prompt payment laws.

Do the math for the plan.

If an underpayment was made, identify specifically what happened; some examples may include missed CPT codes, wrong payment rates, or use of modifiers indicating bilateral procedures.

Attach supporting documentation.

Types of relevant documentation include claim forms, physician notes, or records describing the rationale for any modifiers applied to the claim.

Write/type clearly and concisely.

Ensure that your arguments are reasonable, clearly articulated, and supported by the enclosed documentation; be direct and get to the point quickly without including extraneous background or other information.

Sign your name. Include your job title.

Upload or e-mail documentation as directed by payer, otherwise send via USPS registered mail. Copy and direct the contents of your appeal to appropriate personnel within the practice, as well as the recipient's. Save all delivery confirmation details as proof of arrival at the destination.

Follow up.

If you receive no reply, check on the status of your request after the 30-day deadline has elapsed.

This Letter of Appeal form is for educational purposes only and serves as a guide for the HCP. The HCP must modify the format of the letter and include the appropriate detail to reflect the patient's specific facts and circumstances, or to include specific information that may be required by individual payers.



# Patient Cost Savings Program





# **Supporting Your Patient During Treatment**

My QUTENZA Connect Cost Savings Program can help patients cover costs related to treatment with QUTENZA. Copayment assistance may be available for out-of-pocket copay or coinsurance costs related to QUTENZA prescriptions or administration costs.

#### MEDICATION SAVINGS

Patients pay as little as

per treatment for their medication

UP TO \$5,000\* ANNUAL SAVINGS

\*Terms and conditions may apply.

#### ADMINISTRATION SAVINGS

Patients pay as little as

per treatment for QUTENZA administration

UP TO \$1,500\* ANNUAL SAVINGS

\*Terms and conditions may apply.



# **Cost Savings Program**

#### Your patient may be eligible for the QUTENZA Cost Savings Program if they:

- Are using QUTENZA for an FDA-approved use
- Are 18 years of age or older
- Have commercial (private) insurance that covers QUTENZA
- Live and receive treatment in the United States
- Do not use a state or federal healthcare plan to pay for their medication this includes, but is not limited to, Medicare, Medicaid, and TRICARE

See full terms and conditions at QUTENZA.com/cost-savings.



# **Enrolling Your Office Into the Cost Savings Program**

My QUTENZA Connect Cost Savings Program permits your office to enroll in the program whether you obtain QUTENZA through buy-and-bill purchase or a specialty pharmacy.



QUTENZA is obtained through physician purchase or buy-and-bill

QUTENZA is obtained through specialty pharmacy

May seek reimbursement from the patient's insurance for

both QUTENZA and administration costs

May seek reimbursement from the patient's insurance for the drug **administration costs only**<sup>†</sup>

Obtain EOB or remittance advice

Submit claims to the portal at PatientCostSavings.QUTENZA.com



To learn more about the Patient Cost Savings Program, call 833-295-3579 or register your office at <a href="PatientCostSavings.QUTENZA.com">PatientCostSavings.QUTENZA.com</a>.



<sup>\*</sup>Patients can self-enroll into the Cost Savings Program. Additional information on the next page.

†The specialty pharmacy will submit and process the claim for the cost of the drug with the My QUTENZA Connect Cost Savings Program listed as the patient's secondary insurance.

# Patient Self-Enrolling Into the Cost Savings Program

Patients may also self-enroll in the My QUTENZA Connect Cost Savings Program by mailing a patient enrollment form. Payment may be remitted either to the patient or to the provider's office.

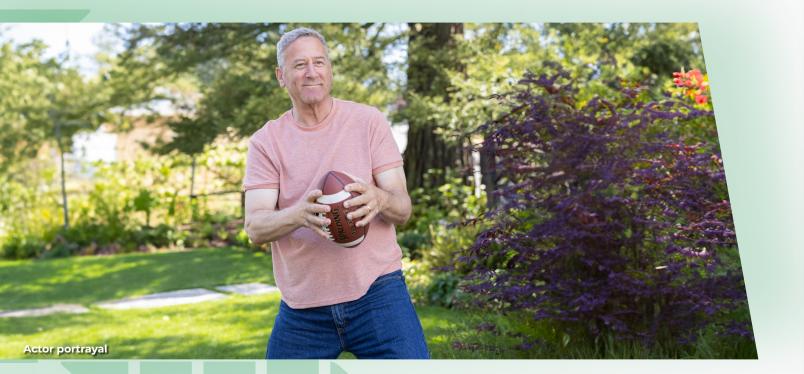
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# Frequently Asked Questions



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#### Why doesn't QUTENZA have a specific procedure code?

CPT codes, or Current Procedural Terminology codes, are a set of medical codes used by healthcare providers to document and bill for procedures and services. They are part of a standardized system developed by the American Medical Association to ensure uniformity in the reporting and billing of medical, surgical, and diagnostic services across the healthcare industry. CPT codes are designed primarily to cover procedures, services, and tests rather than the specific products (such as drugs) used within those procedures. Claims processing systems are capable of linking the CPT code to product-specific codes (e.g., Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System codes), as needed.

#### What procedure code should I use?

Determining coverage and reimbursement parameters and appropriate coding for a patient and/or procedure is always solely the responsibility of the provider.

HCPs may need to consider several factors to ensure accurate billing and coding for services provided. How a procedure is performed, and how complex that procedure is, may determine the appropriate code to select. Also, please note that there may be different codes associated with where exactly on the body the procedure is performed. Finally, the use of modifiers may be appropriate as explained above. Adhering to these guidelines will assist in achieving precise billing and securing appropriate reimbursement for healthcare services.

#### What documentation should I submit when seeking reimbursement using an unlisted CPT code?

Unlisted codes do not correspond to a specific procedure or service. In instances where an unlisted code is utilized, your office may be required, depending on the insurer, to furnish detailed information about the procedure. This may include a comprehensive description of the procedure itself, the amount of time it took, the level of effort expended, and the equipment necessary to perform the service. Additionally, you might be asked to identify a comparable procedure with an existing CPT code. Some insurers may specify which existing code to use for comparison, while others will leave it to your discretion to choose the most analogous listed code. The insurer will then assess the similarities and differences between your provided description and the comparable listed procedure to determine the appropriate reimbursement for the unlisted code.

#### May I obtain QUTENZA from a local specialty pharmacy?

QUTENZA is available via an authorized specialty pharmacy network. Please contact My QUTENZA Connect or the specialty pharmacy directly to determine if QUTENZA is available.

# How long will it take for claims from the My QUTENZA Connect Cost Savings Program to be processed?

It may take up to 4 weeks for the claim to be processed.

# I received a denial because we administered the drug when the prior authorization was "pending." Now what do we do?

For more information on appealing claims, contact your Averitas Field Access Manager or My QUTENZA Connect.

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