

Policy References: [Local Coverage Determination Immunosuppressive Drugs \(L33824\)](#) and [Policy Article \(A52474\)](#)

Documentation References: [Standard Documentation Requirements Policy Article \(PA\) A55426](#)

The treating clinician must complete the following items:

- [Standard Written Order \(SWO\)](#)
- Medical record requirements (see below)

Medical Documentation

Only the immunosuppressive drugs listed in the LCD are covered (refer to the LCD link above). Drugs are covered if prescribed following a transplant (refer to Policy Article link above for covered ICD-10 diagnosis codes):

- Kidney, heart, liver, bone marrow/stem cell, lung, heart/lung transplant; **or**
 - Whole organ pancreas transplant performed concurrent with or subsequent to a kidney transplant because of diabetic nephropathy (performed on or after 07/01/99); **or**
 - Intestinal transplant (performed on or after 04/01/01); **or**
 - Pancreatic islet cell transplant or partial pancreatic tissue transplantation (performed on or after 10/01/04), that is conducted as part of a National Institutes of Health-sponsored clinical trial; or
 - Pancreas transplants alone (performed on or after 04/26/06) that meet the 6 criteria listed in the Policy Article (link above); **and**
- Transplant met Medicare coverage criteria in effect at the time (approved Medicare facility, national and/or local medical necessity criteria etc.); **and**
- Beneficiary was enrolled in Medicare Part A at the time of the transplant; **and**
- Beneficiary is enrolled in Medicare Part B at the time that the drug is dispensed; **and**
- Drugs are furnished on or after the date of discharge from the hospital following a covered organ transplant.

Azathioprine or Methylprednisolone

- Medication cannot be tolerated or absorbed if taken orally; **and**
- Medication is self-administered by the patient.

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