



**Instructions:**

This form is used by Kaiser Permanente and/or participating providers for coverage **XIFAXAN (Rifaximin)**. Please complete all sections, incomplete forms will delay processing. Fax this form back to Kaiser Permanente within 24 hours fax: 1-866-331-2104. If you have any questions or concerns, please call 1-866-331-2103. **Requests will not be considered unless all sections are complete.**

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**Length of Authorization:**

- Initial: 12 months for Hepatic Encephalopathy; Continuation: 6 months
- Irritable Bowel Syndrome with diarrhea-14 days (one-time)
- *C. difficile* associated diarrhea -1 month (one-time)
- Traveler's diarrhea-3 days (one-time)
- Small Intestinal Bacterial Overgrowth-14 days (2 treatment courses per year)

**1 – Patient Information**

Patient Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Kaiser Medical ID#: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

**2 – Prescriber Information**

Prescriber Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Specialty: \_\_\_\_\_ NPI: \_\_\_\_\_

Prescriber Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Prescriber Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Prescriber Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_

**3 – Pharmacy Information**

Pharmacy Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Pharmacy NPI: \_\_\_\_\_

Pharmacy Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Pharmacy Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_

**4 – Drug Therapy Requested**

Drug 1: Name/Strength/Formulation: \_\_\_\_\_

Sig: \_\_\_\_\_

Drug 2: Name/Strength/Formulation: \_\_\_\_\_

Sig: \_\_\_\_\_

## 5– Diagnosis/Clinical Criteria

1. Is this request for initial or continuing therapy?  
 Initial therapy                       Continuing therapy, State date: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Indicate the Member's diagnosis for the requested medication: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Clinical Criteria:**

Prescribed by an Infectious Disease Specialist, a Gastroenterologist, or in consultation with a Gastroenterologist, **AND**

- No  Yes

### Hepatic Encephalopathy:

1. Member has a diagnosis of hepatic encephalopathy,  
 No  Yes
2. **AND** member is  $\geq 18$  years of age,  
 No  Yes
3. **AND** Xifaxan (rifaximin) is being used as add-on therapy to lactulose,  
 No  Yes
4. **AND** member is unable to achieve an optimal response with lactulose monotherapy after receiving an adequate trial,  
 No  Yes
5. **OR** member is intolerant or has contraindications to lactulose  
 No  Yes

### Irritable Bowel Syndrome with diarrhea:

1. Member has a diagnosis of irritable bowel syndrome diarrhea predominant (IBS-D),  
 No  Yes
2. **AND** member has contraindication to, is intolerant to, or failed treatment with TWO of the following medications (must try for the minimum duration listed before considered treatment failure):
  - a. Loperamide - at least 2 weeks
  - b. Diphenoxylate-atropine (Lomotil) - at least 2 weeks
  - c. A bile acid sequestrant (e.g., cholestyramine, colestipol) - at least 2 weeks
  - d. Dicyclomine (generic Bentyl) - at least 2 weeks
  - e. At least one tricyclic antidepressant - at least 6 weeks No  Yes
3. **AND** member has not completed > 3 total treatments with rifaximin for IBS-D (maximum 3 treatments with rifaximin per patient)?  
 No  Yes

### C. difficile:

1. Member has a diagnosis of third recurrence of *C. difficile* associated diarrhea  
 No  Yes
2. **AND** member has failed treatment with metronidazole and vancomycin for previous episodes  
 No  Yes

Traveler's Diarrhea:

1. Member has a diagnosis of Traveler's Diarrhea  
 No  Yes
2. **AND** member is intolerant or unable to take a fluoroquinolone  
 No  Yes
3. **AND** member is intolerant or allergic to azithromycin  
 No  Yes

Small Intestinal Bacterial Overgrowth (SIBO)

1. Member has a diagnosis of small intestinal bacterial overgrowth (SIBO),  
 No  Yes
2. **AND** member has documented failure of treatment with at least **ONE** of the following:
  - a. Amoxicillin-clavulanate
  - b. Ciprofloxacin
  - c. Trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole
  - d. Metronidazole
  - e. Doxycycline
  - f. Tetracycline No  Yes

**For Continuation of Therapy, Please Respond to Additional Questions Below:**

Hepatic Encephalopathy:

1. Does member have documentation of a clinically significant benefit from medication?  
 No  Yes

**6 – Prescriber Sign-Off**

**Additional Information –**

1. Please submit chart notes/medical records for the patient that are applicable to this request.
2. If member has not tried preferred agent(s) please provide rationale/explanation and any additional supporting information that should be taken into consideration for the requested medication:

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**I certify that the information provided is accurate. Supporting documentation is available for State audits.**

**Prescriber Signature:**

**Date:**

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