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## **OTREXUP® (methotrexate auto-injector)**

**LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATION:** UP TO ONE YEAR

### **REVIEW CRITERIA:**

#### **Rheumatoid Arthritis (severe):**

- Patient is 18 years or older with active rheumatoid arthritis **AND**
- Patient has had an inadequate response, intolerance, or contraindication (clinical documentation must be submitted demonstrating response to previous therapies) to NSAIDs **AND**
- Patient has had an inadequate response, intolerance, or contraindication (clinical documentation must be submitted demonstrating response to previous therapies) to methotrexate tablets **AND**
- Patient has had an inadequate response, intolerance, or contraindication (clinical documentation must be submitted demonstrating response to previous therapies) to methotrexate intramuscularly

#### **Psoriasis (Severe) Recalcitrant, disabling**

- Patient is 18 years or older with a diagnosis of severe, recalcitrant disabling psoriasis
- Patient did not respond adequately (or is not a candidate) to a 3 month minimum trial of phototherapy (e.g., Psoralens with UVA light (PUVA) OR UVB with coal tar or dithranol **AND**
- Patient has had an inadequate response, intolerance, or contraindication (clinical documentation must be submitted demonstrating response to previous therapies) to methotrexate tablets **AND**
- Patient has had an inadequate response, intolerance, or contraindication (clinical documentation must be submitted demonstrating response to previous therapies) to methotrexate intramuscularly

#### **Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis:**

- Patient is 2 years old or older with the diagnosis of Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis **AND**
- Patient has had an inadequate response, intolerance, or contraindication (clinical documentation must be submitted demonstrating response to previous therapies) to NSAIDs **AND**
- Patient has had an inadequate response, intolerance, or contraindication (clinical documentation must be submitted demonstrating response to previous therapies) to methotrexate tablets **AND**
- Patient has had an inadequate response, intolerance, or contraindication (clinical documentation must be submitted demonstrating response to previous therapies) to methotrexate intramuscularly



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**DOSING AND STRENGTHS:**

Rheumatoid Arthritis

- 7.5 mg once weekly

Psoriasis (Severe), Recalcitrant, disabling

- 10mg to 25 mg subcutaneously once weekly

Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis:

- 10 mg/m<sup>2</sup> subcutaneously once weekly

Single-dose auto-injector delivering 0.4 mL of methotrexate in the following dosage strengths:

- 7.5 mg, 10 mg, 12.5 mg, 15 mg, 17.5 mg, 20mg, 22.5 mg and 25 mg.