

GCHP Medi-Cal Clinical Guidelines Canakinumab (Ilaris™)

PA Criteria	Criteria Details				
Covered Uses	Periodic fever syndrome				
(FDA Approved	 Cryopyrin-associated periodic syndromes (CAPS) including 				
Indication)	familial cold auto-inflammatory syndrome (FCAS) and muc				
	wells syndrome (MWS).				
	 Tumor necrosis factor receptor associated periodic syndrome (TRAPS). 				
	 Hyperimmunoglobulin D syndrome (HIDS)/Mevalonate kinase 				
	deficiency (MKD).				
	o Familial mediterranean fever (FMF).				
	Active still's disease including adult-onset still's disease (AOSD) and				
	systemic juvenile idiopathic arthritis (SJIA).				
	Gout flares in whom NSAIDs and colchicine are contraindicated, are				
	not tolerated, or do not provide an adequate response and in whom				
	repeated courses of corticosteroids are not appropriate.				
Exclusion Criteria	Serious active infection				
	Untreated latent or active tuberculosis				
	Concurrent treatment with tumor necrosis factor (TNF) inhibitor				
Required Medical	CAPS – specialist clinic notes confirming active disease				
Information					
	TRAPS – specialist clinic notes confirming chronic or recurrent disease with greater than six febrile episodes per year.				
	HIDS/MKDS – specialist clinic notes confirming at least three febrile				
	episodes in six-month periods.				
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	FMF – specialist clinic notes confirming at least one or more febrile episodes				
	per month despite treatment with or unacceptable side effects to colchicine.				
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	AOSD Specialist clinic notes confirming the diagnosis AND				
	 Specialist clinic notes confirming the diagnosis AND Active adult-onset still disease with active arthritis in four or more 				
	joints AND				
	Inadequate response to biologic DMARDs, conventional DMARDs				
	(e.g., methotrexate), glucocorticoids, or NSAIDs.				
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	SJIA				
	Active arthritis involving one or more joints AND				
	Fever for at least two weeks AND				
	Signs or symptoms as indicated by at least one or more of the				
	following: (i) evanescent erythematous rash, (ii) generalized				
	lymphadenopathy, (iii) hepatomegaly or splenomegaly, or (iv)				
	pericarditis, pleuritis, or peritonitis.				



Age Restriction	Out flares NSAIDs and colchicine are contraindicated, are not tolerated, or do not provide an adequate response AND Repeated courses of corticosteroids are not appropriate. FMF, HID/MKD, TRAPS, AOSD and SJIA: 2 years of age and older CAPS, FCAS, MWS: 4 years of age and older Gout flares: 18 years of age and older					
Prescriber Restrictions	CAPS, FCAS, MWS, FMF, HID/MKD, TRAPS, AOSD or SJIA: Prescribed or recommended by a rheumatologist, or immunologist.					
Coverage Duration	Initial: Six months: Renewal: 12 months					
Other Criteria / Information	Criteria adapted from DHCS March 2024 & MCG.					
	HCPCS	Description	Dosing, Units			
	J0638	Injection, canakinumab, 1mg (llaris [™])	CAPS: > 40kg – 150mg subcutaneous every eight weeks; < 40kg and ≥ 15kg – 2mg/kg every eight weeks (in peds may increase to 3mg/kg). TRAPS, HIDS/MKD & FMF: > 40kg – 150mg every four weeks (may increase up to 300mg); ≤ 40kg – 2mg/kg every four weeks (may increase to 4mg/kg every four weeks). AOSD & SJIA: ≥ 7.5kg – 4mg/kg (max dose of 300mg) every four weeks. Gout flares: 150mg x one dose. Re-treatment at interval of at least 12 weeks.			

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