



**GEORGIA MEDICAID FEE-FOR-SERVICE
CARBAPENEMS, INJECTABLE PA SUMMARY**

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Ertapenem generic Meropenem generic Primaxin (imipenem/cilastin)	Imipenem/cilastin generic Meropenem/sodium chloride (NaCl) generic

LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATION: 1 month

NOTE:

- Preferred and non-preferred products require prior authorization.
- ***The criteria details below are for Pharmacy Services.*** If the medication is being administration in a physician’s office or clinic, please go to the Registered User portion of the Georgia Health Partnership website at www.mmis.georgia.gov/portal to request coverage from Physician Services.

PA CRITERIA:

Ertapenem Generic, Meropenem Generic and Primaxin

- ❖ Approvable when administered in the member’s home or in a long-term care facility.

Imipenem/Cilastin Generic

- ❖ When administered in the member’s home or in a long-term care facility, prescriber must submit a written letter of medical necessity stating the reasons the preferred product, brand Primaxin, is not appropriate for the member.

Meropenem/Sodium Chloride Generic

- ❖ When administered in the member’s home or in a long-term care facility, prescriber must submit a written letter of medical necessity stating the reasons the preferred product, generic meropenem, is not appropriate for the member.

EXCEPTIONS:

- ❖ Exceptions to these conditions of coverage are considered through the prior authorization process.
- ❖ The Prior Authorization process may be initiated by calling **OptumRx at 1-866-525-5827.**

PREFERRED DRUG LIST:

- ❖ For online access to the Preferred Drug List (PDL), please go to <http://dch.georgia.gov/preferred-drug-lists>.

PA AND APPEAL PROCESS:



- ❖ For online access to the PA process, please go to www.dch.georgia.gov/prior-authorization-process-and-criteria and click on Prior Authorization (PA) Request Process Guide.

QUANTITY LEVEL LIMITATIONS:

- ❖ For online access to the current Quantity Level Limits (QLL), please go to www.mmis.georgia.gov/portal, highlight Provider Information and click on Provider Manuals. Scroll to the page with Pharmacy Services and select that manual.