

# Myelodysplastic syndrome – lenalidomide initial or first continuing authority application

## Online services



Requesting PBS Authorities online provides an immediate assessment in real time.

For more information and how to access the **Online PBS Authorities** system, go to [servicesaustralia.gov.au/hppbsauthorities](https://servicesaustralia.gov.au/hppbsauthorities)

## When to use this form

Use this form to apply for **initial** or **first continuing** Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) subsidised lenalidomide for patients with myelodysplastic syndrome.

## Important information

**Initial** or **first continuing** applications to start PBS-subsidised treatment can be made in real time using the **Online PBS Authorities** system or in writing and must include sufficient information to determine the patient's eligibility according to the PBS criteria.

Under no circumstances will phone approvals be granted for myelodysplastic syndrome **initial** or **first continuing** authority applications.

The information in this form is correct at the time of publishing and may be subject to change.

## Continuing treatment

This form is **ONLY** for **initial** or **first continuing** treatment.

For continuing PBS-subsidised treatment, the patient must qualify under the **first continuing** treatment criteria.

After a written authority application for the **first continuing** treatment has been approved, applications for **subsequent continuing** treatment can be made in real time using the **Online PBS Authorities** system or by phone. Call 1800 700 270 Monday to Friday, 8 am to 5 pm, local time.

Call charges may apply.

## Section 100 arrangements for lenalidomide

This item is available to a patient who is attending:

- an approved private hospital
- a public participating hospital, **or**
- a public hospital

**and is:**

- a day admitted patient
- a non-admitted patient, **or**
- a patient on discharge.

This item is not available as a PBS benefit for in-patients of a hospital.

The hospital name and provider number must be included in this authority form.

## For more information

Go to [servicesaustralia.gov.au/healthprofessionals](https://servicesaustralia.gov.au/healthprofessionals)





## Prescriber's declaration

### 20 I declare that:

- I am aware that this patient must meet the criteria listed in the current Schedule of Pharmaceutical Benefits to be eligible for this medicine.
- I have informed the patient that their personal information (including health information) will be disclosed to Services Australia for the purposes of assessing and processing this authority application.
- I have provided the completed authority prescription form(s) and the relevant attachments as specified in the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme restriction.
- the information I have provided in this form is complete and correct.

### I understand that:

- giving false or misleading information is a serious offence.

Prescriber's signature

Date (DD MM YYYY)

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### Returning this form

Return this form and any supporting documents:

- **online**, upload this form, the authority prescription form(s) and any relevant attachments through Health Professional Online Services (HPOS) at [servicesaustralia.gov.au/hpos](https://servicesaustralia.gov.au/hpos)  
**or**
- by post, send this form, the authority prescription form(s) and any relevant attachments to:

Services Australia  
Complex Drugs Programs  
Reply Paid 9826  
HOBART TAS 7001