

Use this checklist to determine if a patient meets the restrictions for funding in the **hospital setting**. For more details, refer to [Section H](#) of the Pharmaceutical Schedule. For community funding, see the [Special Authority Criteria](#).

**PRESCRIBER**

**PATIENT:**

Name: .....

Name: .....

Ward: .....

NHI: .....

**Sunitinib**

**INITIATION – RCC**

Re-assessment required after 3 months

**Prerequisites** (tick boxes where appropriate)

The patient has metastatic renal cell carcinoma  
**and**

The patient is treatment naive  
**or**  
 The patient has only received prior cytokine treatment  
**or**  
 The patient has only received prior treatment with an investigational agent within the confines of a bona fide clinical trial which has Ethics Committee approval  
**and**

The patient has discontinued pazopanib within 3 months of starting treatment due to intolerance  
**and**  
 The cancer did not progress whilst on pazopanib

**and**

The patient has good performance status (WHO/ECOG grade 0-2)  
**and**  
 The disease is of predominant clear cell histology  
**and**

Lactate dehydrogenase level > 1.5 times upper limit of normal  
**and**  
 Haemoglobin level < lower limit of normal  
**and**  
 Corrected serum calcium level > 10 mg/dL (2.5 mmol/L)  
**and**  
 Interval of < 1 year from original diagnosis to the start of systemic therapy  
**and**  
 Karnofsky performance score of less than or equal to 70  
**and**  
 2 or more sites of organ metastasis

**and**

Sunitinib to be used for a maximum of 2 cycles

Note: RCC - Sunitinib treatment should be stopped if disease progresses.  
Poor prognosis patients are defined as having at least 3 of criteria 5.1-5.6. Intermediate prognosis patients are defined as having 1 or 2 of criteria 5.1-5.6.

**CONTINUATION – RCC**

Re-assessment required after 3 months

**Prerequisites** (tick boxes where appropriate)

No evidence of disease progression  
**and**  
 The treatment remains appropriate and the patient is benefiting from treatment

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**Sunitinib - continued**

**INITIATION – GIST**

Re-assessment required after 3 months

**Prerequisites** (tick boxes where appropriate)

- The patient has unresectable or metastatic malignant gastrointestinal stromal tumour (GIST)
- and
- The patient's disease has progressed following treatment with imatinib
- or
- The patient has documented treatment-limiting intolerance, or toxicity to, imatinib

**CONTINUATION – GIST**

Re-assessment required after 6 months

**Prerequisites** (tick boxes where appropriate)

- The patient has responded to treatment or has stable disease as determined by Choi's modified CT response evaluation criteria as follows:**
- The patient has had a complete response (disappearance of all lesions and no new lesions)
- or
- The patient has had a partial response (a decrease in size of 10% or more or decrease in tumour density in Hounsfield Units (HU) of 15% or more on CT and no new lesions and no obvious progression of non-measurable disease)
- or
- The patient has stable disease (does not meet criteria the two above) and does not have progressive disease and no symptomatic deterioration attributed to tumour progression
- and
- The treatment remains appropriate and the patient is benefiting from treatment

**CONTINUATION – GIST pandemic circumstances**

Re-assessment required after 6 months

**Prerequisites** (tick boxes where appropriate)

- The patient has unresectable or metastatic malignant gastrointestinal stromal tumour (GIST)
- and
- The patient is clinically benefiting from treatment and continued treatment remains appropriate
- and
- Sunitinib is to be discontinued at progression
- and
- The regular renewal requirements cannot be met due to COVID-19 constraints on the health sector

Note: GIST - It is recommended that response to treatment be assessed using Choi's modified CT response evaluation criteria (J Clin Oncol, 2007, 25:1753-1759). Progressive disease is defined as either: an increase in tumour size of 10% or more and not meeting criteria of partial response (PR) by tumour density (HU) on CT; or: new lesions, or new intratumoral nodules, or increase in the size of the existing intratumoral nodules.

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