

<b>APPLICANT</b> (stamp or sticker acceptable)	<b>PATIENT NHI:</b> .....	<b>REFERRER</b> Reg No: .....
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Name: .....	Surname: .....	Surname: .....
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**Teriparatide**

**Initial application**

Applications from any relevant practitioner. Approvals valid for 18 months.

**Prerequisites**(tick boxes where appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/>	The patient has severe, established osteoporosis
<b>and</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	The patient has a documented T-score less than or equal to -3.0 (see Notes)
<b>and</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	The patient has had two or more fractures due to minimal trauma
<b>and</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	The patient has experienced at least one symptomatic new fracture after at least 12 months' continuous therapy with a funded antiresorptive agent at adequate doses (see Notes)

Note:

- a) The bone mineral density (BMD) measurement used to derive the T-score must be made using dual-energy x-ray absorptiometry (DXA). Quantitative ultrasound and quantitative computed tomography (QCT) are not acceptable
- b) Antiresorptive agents and their adequate doses for the purposes of this Special Authority are defined as: alendronate sodium tab 70 mg or tab 70 mg with colecalciferol 5,600 iu once weekly; raloxifene hydrochloride tab 60 mg once daily; zoledronic acid 5 mg per year. If an intolerance of a severity necessitating permanent treatment withdrawal develops during the use of one antiresorptive agent, an alternate antiresorptive agent must be trialled so that the patient achieves the minimum requirement of 12 months' continuous therapy.
- c) A vertebral fracture is defined as a 20% or greater reduction in height of the anterior or mid portion of a vertebral body relative to the posterior height of that body, or a 20% or greater reduction in any of these heights compared to the vertebral body above or below the affected vertebral body.
- d) A maximum of 18 months of treatment (18 cartridges) will be subsidised.

**I confirm the above details are correct and that in signing this form I understand I may be audited.**

Signed: ..... Date: .....

Post application to Health New Zealand, Private Bag 3015, Wanganui – email: [customerservice@health.govt.nz](mailto:customerservice@health.govt.nz)