# Prior Authorization Guide



# Procedures Requiring Prior Authorization

**THE FOLLOWING LIST IS NOT ALL-INCLUSIVE.** Please visit Ambetter.NHhealthyfamilies.com and use the "Pre-Auth Needed?" tool to determine if a service requires prior authorization.

Failure to obtain the required approval or pre-certification may result in a denied claim(s).

All out-of-network (non-par) services require authorization, excluding ER, urgent care, and family planning.

#### **ANCILLARY SERVICES**

- Air ambulance transport (non-emergent fixed wing airplane)
- DMI
- Home health care services including home infusion, skilled nursing and therapy
- Home Health Services
- · Private Duty Nursing
- Adult Medical Day Care
- Hospice
- Furnished Medical Supplies and DME
- Orthotics/Prosthetics
- · Genetic testing
- · Quantitative urine drug screen

### **OUT-OF-NETWORK PROVIDERS**

 All out-of-network providers require prior authorization excluding emergency room services.

## PROCEDURES/SERVICES

- Potentially cosmetic
- Bariatric surgery
- · Experimental or investigational
- High tech imaging requests: RadMD.com
- High tech imaging administered by NIA, i.e. CT, MRI, PET
- Obstetrical ultrasound Two (2) allowed in 9 months; prior authorization required for additional u/s except if rendered by a perinatologist
- Pain management

### INPATIENT AUTHORIZATION

All elective/scheduled admission notifications requested at least 5 days prior to the scheduled date of admit including but not limited to:

- · Medical Admissions
- · Surgical Admissions
- All services performed in out-of-network facilities
- · Hospice Care
- · Rehabilitation facilities
- · Behavioral Health/Substance Use Disorder
- · Transplants, not including evaluations
- · Observation:
- Observation stays exceeding 23 hours require Inpatient Authorization/ Concurrent Review
- Notification is required within 1 business day if admitted

- Urgent/Emergent Admissions
- Within 1 business day following the date of admission
- Newborn Deliveries must include birth outcomes
- · Behavioral Health Admissions
- All behavioral health admissions require authorization within 24 hours of admission via a phone call to the utilization management department
- Partial Inpatient, PRTF, and/or Intensive Outpatient Programs

# How to Secure Prior Authorization



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https://provider.nhhealthy families.com



## CALL

1-844-265-1278

## **FAX**

**MEDICAL** 

1-866-270-8027

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1-866-694-6949

Prior Authorization (PA) may be submitted by fax, phone, or website. After normal business hours and on holidays, calls are directed to the Plan's 24-hour nurse advice line. Notification of authorization will be returned by phone, fax, or web.

# **QUESTIONS?**

Call our Authorization department at 1-844-265-1278

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