

## Molina Healthcare Prior Authorization and Pre-service Review Guide

*Effective March 3, 2022*

Services listed below require prior authorization. Please refer to Molina Healthcare’s provider website or prior authorization (PA) lookup tool for specific codes that require authorization. **Please note** – office visits to contracted/participating (PAR) providers, referrals to network specialists and emergency services **don’t** require prior authorization.

*Please refer to the AHCCCS prior authorization and concurrent review standards during the COVID-19 pandemic for prior authorization guidance. This guidance is subject to change at AHCCCS’ discretion at any time.*

<p>Behavioral health – mental health, alcohol and chemical dependency services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Inpatient, residential treatment, partial hospitalization, day treatment, intensive outpatient, targeted care management;</li> <li>○ Electroconvulsive therapy (ECT);</li> <li>○ Applied behavioral analysis (ABA) – for treatment of autism spectrum disorder (ASD)</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Cosmetic, plastic and reconstructive procedures – no PA is required for breast cancer diagnoses</li> <li>● Durable medical equipment (DME)</li> <li>● Elective inpatient admissions – acute hospital, skilled nursing facilities (SNF), rehabilitation, long-term acute care (LTAC) facility</li> <li>● Experimental/investigational procedures</li> <li>● Health care administered drugs</li> <li>● Home health care services (including home-based physical, occupational and speech therapy (PT/OT/ST))</li> <li>● Hyperbaric/wound therapy</li> <li>● Long-term services and supports (LTSS) (per state benefit). All LTSS services require prior authorization regardless of code(s)</li> <li>● Nursing home/long-term care</li> <li>● OT/PT/ST</li> <li>● Orthotics/prosthetics</li> <li>● Radiation therapy and radiosurgery</li> <li>● Transportation services – non-emergent air transportation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Miscellaneous and unlisted codes – Molina requires standard codes when requesting a PA. Should an unlisted or miscellaneous code be requested, medical necessity documentation and rationale must be submitted with the PA request.</li> <li>● Neuropsychological and psychological testing (see separate specific PA form)</li> <li>● Non-par providers/facilities – PA is required for office visits, procedures, labs, diagnostic studies and inpatient stays, except for:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Emergency and urgently needed services;</li> <li>○ Professional fees for Medicaid-enrolled providers associated with emergency room visits and approved ambulatory surgery center (ASC) or inpatient stays;</li> <li>○ Local health department (LHD) services;</li> <li>○ Radiologists, anesthesiologists and pathologist professional services when billed in POS 19, 21, 22, 23 or 24</li> <li>○ PA is waived for professional component services or services billed for Medicaid-enrolled providers with modifier 26 in <b>any</b> place of service setting</li> <li>○ Other state-mandated services</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Sleep studies</li> <li>● Transplant/gene therapy, including solid organ and bone marrow</li> </ul>
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<b>Sterilization note – federal guidelines require that at least 30 days have passed between the date of the individual’s signature on the consent form and the date the sterilization was performed. The consent form must be submitted with the claim.</b>	

<b>Important information for Molina Healthcare providers</b>
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Information generally required to support authorization decision making includes:

- Current (up to six months) adequate patient history related to the requested service(s)
- Relevant physical examination that addresses the problem(s)
- Relevant lab or radiology results to support the request (including previous MRI, CT, lab or X-ray report/results)
- Relevant specialty consultation notes
- Any other information or data specific to the request

***The urgent/expedited service request designation should only be used if the treatment is required to prevent serious deterioration in the member’s health or could jeopardize their ability to regain maximum function. Requests outside of this definition will be handled as routine/non-urgent.***

- If a request for services is denied, the requesting provider and the member will receive a letter explaining the reason for the denial as well as additional information regarding the grievance and appeals process. Denials are also communicated to the provider by telephone, fax or electronic notification. Verbal, fax or electronic denials are given within one business day of making the denial decision, or sooner if required by the member’s condition.
- Providers and members can request a copy of the criteria used to review requests for medical services.
- Molina Healthcare has a full-time medical director available to discuss medical necessity decisions with the requesting provider at (800) 424-5891.

<b>Important MCC contact information</b>	
<b>Prior authorizations, including behavioral health and inpatient authorizations:</b> Phone: (800) 424-5891 Outpatient Fax: (888) 656-7501 Inpatient fax: (888) 656-2201	<b>24-Hour Behavioral Health Criss Line (available seven days a week)</b> Phone: (800) 424-5891
<b>Pharmacy authorizations:</b> Phone: (800) 424-5891 Fax: (844)271-6887	<b>Dental authorizations:</b> Phone: (800) 440-3048 Fax: (262) 241-7150 (for non-hospital requests) Fax: (262) 834-3575 (for hospital and SPU requests) Website: <www.dentaquest.com>
<b>Advanced Imaging authorizations:</b> Phone: (855) 714-2415 Fax: 877-731-7218	<b>After-hours prior authorization requests (must be submitted by phone):</b> Phone: (800) 424-5891
<b>Provider Customer Service:</b> Phone: (800) 424-5891	<b>Member Services, Benefits and Eligibility:</b> Phone: (800) 424-5891 (TTY/TDD: 711)
<b>Transportation:</b> Phone: (800) 424-5891	<b>Transplant authorizations:</b> Phone: (855) 714-2415 Fax: (877) 813-1206
	<b>Nurse Advice Line (available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week)</b> Phone: (800) 424-5891 (TTY/TDD: 711) Members who speak Spanish can press “1” at the IVR prompt. The nurse will arrange for an interpreter as needed for all non-English/Spanish speaking members. No referral or PA is needed.
Providers may visit the MCC provider portal online at <a href="http://www.availity.com/molinacompletecare">www.availity.com/molinacompletecare</a> . Available features include, but aren't limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Authorization submission and status</li> <li>• Member eligibility</li> <li>• Provider directories</li> <li>• Claims submission and status</li> <li>• Ability to download frequently used forms</li> <li>• Nurse Advice Line report</li> </ul>	

**Molina Healthcare Prior Authorization Request Form**

**Member information**

<b>Line of Business:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Medicaid	<input type="checkbox"/> Marketplace	<input type="checkbox"/> Medicare	<b>Date of request:</b>
<b>State/health plan (i.e. CA):</b>				
<b>Member name:</b>			<b>DOB (MM/DD/YYYY):</b>	
<b>Member ID #:</b>			<b>Member phone:</b>	
<b>Service type:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-urgent/routine/elective <input type="checkbox"/> Urgent/expedited – clinical reason for urgency <b>required:</b> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Emergent inpatient admission <input type="checkbox"/> Early and periodic screening, diagnostic and treatment (EPSDT)/special services <input type="checkbox"/> Reason for Non-par <b>required:</b> _____			

**Referral/service type requested**

<b>Request type:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Initial request	<input type="checkbox"/> Extension/renewal/amendment	<b>Previous auth #:</b>
<b>Inpatient services:</b>	<b>Outpatient services:</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Inpatient hospital <input type="checkbox"/> Inpatient transplant <input type="checkbox"/> Inpatient hospice <input type="checkbox"/> Long-term acute care (LTAC) <input type="checkbox"/> Acute inpatient rehabilitation (AIR) <input type="checkbox"/> Skilled nursing facility (SNF) <input type="checkbox"/> Other inpatient: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Chiropractic <input type="checkbox"/> Dialysis <input type="checkbox"/> DME <input type="checkbox"/> Genetic testing <input type="checkbox"/> Home health <input type="checkbox"/> Hospice <input type="checkbox"/> Hyperbaric therapy <input type="checkbox"/> Imaging/special tests	<input type="checkbox"/> Office procedures <input type="checkbox"/> Infusion therapy <input type="checkbox"/> Laboratory services <input type="checkbox"/> LTSS services <input type="checkbox"/> OT <input type="checkbox"/> Outpatient surgical/procedures <input type="checkbox"/> Pain management <input type="checkbox"/> Palliative care	<input type="checkbox"/> Pharmacy <input type="checkbox"/> PT <input type="checkbox"/> Radiation therapy <input type="checkbox"/> ST <input type="checkbox"/> Transplant/gene therapy <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Wound care <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____

**Please send clinical notes and any supporting documentation**

**Primary ICD-10 code:**

**Description:**

Dates of service Start	Stop	Procedure/ service codes	Diagnosis code(s)	Requested service(s)	Requested units/visits

<b>Provider information</b>					
<b>Requesting provider/facility:</b>					
<b>Provider name:</b>		<b>NPI #:</b>		<b>TIN #:</b>	
<b>Phone:</b>		<b>Fax:</b>		<b>Email:</b>	
<b>Address:</b>		<b>City:</b>		<b>State:</b>	<b>ZIP:</b>
<b>PCP name:</b>			<b>PCP phone:</b>		
<b>Office contact name:</b>			<b>Office contact phone:</b>		
<b>Servicing provider/facility:</b>					
<b>Provider/facility name (required):</b>					
<b>NPI #:</b>	<b>TIN #:</b>	<b>Medicaid ID # (if non-par):</b>		<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Non-par</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>COC</b>	
<b>Phone:</b>		<b>Fax:</b>		<b>Email:</b>	
<b>Address:</b>		<b>City:</b>		<b>State:</b>	<b>ZIP:</b>
<b>Contact Name:</b> <b>Contact Phone #:</b> <b>Contact Fax #:</b> <b>Contact Email:</b>					

Prior authorization isn't a guarantee of payment for services. Payment is made in accordance with a determination of the member's eligibility on the date of service, benefit limitations/exclusions and other applicable standards during the claim review, including the terms of any applicable provider agreement.

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<input type="checkbox"/> Inpatient psychiatric <input type="checkbox"/> Involuntary <input type="checkbox"/> Voluntary  <input type="checkbox"/> Inpatient detoxification <input type="checkbox"/> Involuntary <input type="checkbox"/> Voluntary  If involuntary, court date: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Residential treatment <input type="checkbox"/> Partial hospitalization program <input type="checkbox"/> Intensive outpatient program <input type="checkbox"/> Day treatment <input type="checkbox"/> Assertive community treatment program <input type="checkbox"/> Targeted care management *Behavioral Health Psychological/Neuropsychological-see specific Prior Auth Form		<input type="checkbox"/> Electroconvulsive therapy <input type="checkbox"/> Applied behavioral analysis <input type="checkbox"/> Non-par outpatient services Reason for Non-par <b>required:</b> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____

**Please send clinical notes and any supporting documentation**

**Primary ICD-10 code for treatment:**

**Description:**

Dates of service Start	Stop	Procedure/ service codes	Diagnosis code(s)	Requested service(s)	Requested units/visits

**Provider information**

**Requesting provider/facility:**

<b>Provider name:</b>	<b>NPI #:</b>	<b>TIN #:</b>	
<b>Phone:</b>	<b>Fax:</b>	<b>Email:</b>	
<b>Address:</b>	<b>City:</b>	<b>State:</b>	<b>ZIP:</b>
<b>PCP name:</b>	<b>PCP phone:</b>		
<b>Office contact name:</b>	<b>Office contact phone:</b>		

**Servicing provider/facility:**

**Provider/facility name (required):**

<b>NPI #:</b>	<b>TIN #:</b>	<b>Medicaid ID# (if non-par):</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Non-par</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>COC</b>
<b>Phone:</b>	<b>Fax:</b>	<b>Email:</b>	
<b>Address:</b>	<b>City:</b>	<b>State:</b>	<b>ZIP:</b>

**Contact Name:**  
**Contact Phone #:**  
**Contact Fax #:**  
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