Commercial Prior Authorization Form

PLEASE READ: Authorization is not a confirmation of coverage or benefits. Payment of benefits remains subject to all health benefit plan terms, limits, conditions, exclusions, and the member’s eligibility at the time services are rendered.

Prior authorization may be required for commercial plans for the following services in an inpatient or outpatient setting:

- Inpatient Admissions
- Hysterectomy
- DME > $500
- Home Health Visits*
- Physical Therapy*
- Occupational Therapy*
- Speech Therapy*
- Specialty Pharmacy Drugs
- Endometrial Ablation
- Inpatient Rehabilitation
- Skilled Nursing Facilities
- Genetic Testing*
- Behavioral Health
- Neonatal ICU Admissions
- High-Tech Imaging*
- Panniculectomy
- Varicose Veins (color photos required)
- Non-Emergent Air Ambulance Transportation
- Blepharoplasty/Browplasty (color photos required)
- Spine Surgery*
- Bariatric Surgery
- Breast Surgery for Augmentation or Reduction
- 72-Hour Ambulatory Glucose Monitoring
- Pain Management*
- Hyperbaric Treatments
- Joint Surgery (Hip, Knee, Shoulder)*
- 23-Hour Observation (when elective, direct admission from MD office and transfers from another facility)
- Gender Reassignment Surgery
- Radiation Oncology Therapy Program*

*Please check benefits to determine group-specific prior authorization requirements.

Behavioral Health

- Inpatient Admissions
- Residential Treatment (RES)
- Partial Hospitalization (PHP)
- Intensive Outpatient Program (IOP)
- Electroconvulsive Therapy (ECT)
- Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation (TMS)
- Psychological Testing
- Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA)

You can request prior authorization for these services on BlueCross’ payer space within the Availity provider portal, where you can also confirm coverage and verify benefits.

Prior authorization can also be requested by calling/faxing:

- High-Tech Imaging/Genetic Testing 1-888-693-3211
- Durable Medical Equipment 1-866-558-0789 (Fax)
- Medical, Surgical, Behavioral Health 1-800-924-7141
- Musculoskeletal Management 1-866-747-0587
- Radiation Oncology Therapy Program 1-888-693-3211