



MassHealth
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TO: All Providers Participating in MassHealth

FROM: Mike Levine, Assistant Secretary for MassHealth

RE: Ending Prior Authorization Requirements for Certain Services

Background

Effective June 30, 2023, MassHealth is ending the prior authorization (PA) requirements set forth in Transmittal Letters [AOH-45](#), [CHC-113](#), [PHY-157](#), and [IDTF-20](#). Through these transmittal letters, MassHealth introduced new PA requirements on certain advanced imaging services, non-obstetric ultrasounds, polysomnography, and cardiology services. MassHealth directed providers seeking PA for such services to submit requests to eviCore healthcare (eviCore), in accordance with instructions set forth in each transmittal letter. Providers were instructed to begin submitting PA requests to eviCore starting in March 2020. Claims denials related to these PA requirements were scheduled to begin in June 2020.

As a result of the pandemic caused by the 2019 novel coronavirus (COVID-19) and through [All Provider Bulletin 308](#), MassHealth suspended the PA requirements set forth in Transmittal Letters AOH-45, CHC-113, PHY-157, and IDTF-20. This bulletin effectively ends those requirements. The affected CPT codes are reprinted below for reference. Providers should not submit PA requests for such services.

Advanced Imaging CPT Codes No Longer Requiring PA

70336	70547	72131	73202	74170
70450	70548	72132	73206	74174
70460	70549	72133	73218	74175
70470	70551	72141	73219	74176
70480	70552	72142	73220	74177
70481	70553	72146	73221	74178
70482	70554	72147	73222	74181
70486	70555	72148	73223	74182
70487	71250	72149	73700	74183
70488	71260	72156	73701	74185
70490	71270	72157	73702	74261
70491	71275	72158	73706	74262
70492	71550	72191	73718	74712
70496	71551	72192	73719	74713
70498	71555	72193	73720	75557
70540	72125	72194	73721	75559
70542	72126	72195	73722	75561
70543	72127	72196	73723	75563
70544	72128	72197	73725	75565
70545	72129	73200	74150	75572
70546	72130	73201	74160	75573

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75574	77021	77078	78494	78814
75635	77022	77084	78608	78815
76376	77046	78451	78609	78816
76377	77047	78452	78811	G0297
76380	77048	78491	78812	
76391	77049	78492	78813	

Non-obstetric Ultrasound CPT Codes No Longer Requiring PA

78453	78459	78469	78473	78483
78454	78466	78472	78481	78496

Polysomnography (Sleep) Studies CPT Codes No Longer Requiring PA

95782	95800	95806	95808	95811
95783	95805	95807	95810	G0399

Cardiac Stress Tests CPT Codes No Longer Requiring PA

78451	78453	78491	78459	93351
78452	78454	78492	93350	

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