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Provider Memorandum

Molina's Prior Authorization (PA) Requirements: First Quarter 2024

The codes listed below will **require** Prior Authorization. These changes will be reflected on the Molina Healthcare of Illinois (Molina) Prior Authorization Codification List found on the [Molina provider website](#) on the [Frequently Used Forms](#) page, under Authorization Requests. The downloadable file lists the Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) and Healthcare Common Procedural Coding System (HCPCS) codes that require PA.

Important: This memo only addresses codes **added** to the Codification or Prior Authorization grid. Codes removed from the grid that no longer require Prior Authorization are **not** listed here. Providers are **strongly** encouraged to review all updates regularly and confirm whether a code requires PA.

Updates to the PA Codes

These codes will require Prior Authorization effective **January 1, 2024**:

Outpatient Hospital/Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC) Procedures
0480T
Health Care Administered Drugs
J2508, J1105, J9324, Q5132, J0576, J9258, J9333, J9334, J9072, J0217, J1304, J9286, J0873, J1246, C9157, C9154, C9155
Transplants/Gene Therapy
J3401, J1412, J1413
Imaging & Special Tests
70490, 70491, 70492, 72131, 72132, 72133, 72131, 72132, 72133, 72128, 72129, 72130
Behavioral/Mental Health (PA Update)
PA required after 48 units per calendar year: 0373T, 97153, 97154, 97155, 97156, 97157, 97158

Advanced Imaging Authorization Requests

Providers are **strongly encouraged** to submit requests in the [Availity Essentials Portal](#). If you are unable to do so, you may submit a request by fax to (877) 731-7218. Use the [Provider Portal](#) to quickly and easily check the status of a request.

Note: Obtaining authorization does **not** guarantee payment. Molina retains the right to review benefit limitations and exclusions, eligibility on the date of the service, correct coding, billing practices, and whether the service was provided in the most appropriate and cost-effective setting of care.

Convenient Tool for PA Codes

Providers are encouraged to use Molina's online PA LookUp Tool to help find the correct codes. It is intended for **searches only** and should **not** be used to make determinations about coverage.

The PA Tool is for outpatient services **only**. All elective inpatient admissions to acute hospitals, Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNF), rehabilitation facilities, or long-term acute care hospitals **must** follow standard Molina Utilization Management notification and review procedures.

Molina Clinical Policies

All of Molina's Clinical Policies (MCPs) are accessible at MolinaClinicalPolicy.com. Some that are specific to Illinois are found on the Molina Clinical Policy page in the Illinois Provider section of the Molina website.

MCG for Cite Guideline Transparency

Molina has partnered with MCG Health to implement Cite for Care Guideline Transparency. You can access this feature through Molina's Availity Essentials Portal. With MCG for Cite Guideline Transparency, Molina can share clinical indications with the providers. The tool operates as a secure extension of Molina's existing MCG investment and helps meet regulations around transparency for care delivery.

These guides will show you how to access the MCG feature:
    MCG Quick Reference Guide—Molina's Availity Provider Portal.
    MCG Quick Reference Guide—Molina Legacy Provider Portal.

Questions?

We're here to help. Contact your dedicated Provider Relations Manager or email the Provider Network Management team at MHILProviderNetworkManagement@MolinaHealthcare.com. For help identifying your dedicated Provider Relations Manager, visit Molina's Service Area page at MolinaHealthcare.com.

Provider Portal Alert

Providers no longer have direct access to the Molina Legacy Provider Portal. Ensure that you and your staff have access to streamlined claims management, authorizations, eligibility/benefit verification, and more. Get started with Availity Essentials Provider Portal today! Click here.

Get Critical Updates

Receive news and updates about Molina services and plan requirements delivered straight to your inbox! Click here to receive Molina's provider updates.

Note: Molina's website and documents are best viewed in Google Chrome or Microsoft Edge.