



# Hospital Bulletin

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## Molina Provides COVID Relief to Hospitals Throughout January 2022

In the spirit of collaboration and in support of the recent COVID surge, beginning with admission requests submitted January 7, 2022, Molina will provide the following relief to hospitals through January 31, 2022:

- **All** inpatient emergent admissions will require **NOTICE only** within three (3) days of admission with clinical information supporting medical necessity.
- Hospital will continue to send discharge information. For long lengths of stay, Molina will continue its concurrent review process.
- For reimbursement purposes, admissions may be reviewed retrospectively for medical necessity criteria, and Medicare and Medicaid guidelines, including readmission & observation/short stays.
- All cases must meet medical necessity. Hospitals may appeal any payment denials for medical necessity and guidelines.
- If any approved elective services are being rescheduled outside the approved date span, hospitals will notify for an authorization update.
- Discharges to SNF currently only require notice and this process will continue. Discharges to other hospitals, LTAC and Inpatient Rehab will continue to require prior authorization.

I hope this will ease your burden as we move through this COVID surge. Thank you for all you do to serve Molina members and your communities.