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Updates to Prior Authorization Requirements

Review code changes effective July 1 – October 1, 2026

Prior authorization (PA) requirement changes apply to certain services, procedures, equipment and outpatient drugs.

These updates reflect new CPT/HCPCS codes issued by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) and support efforts to streamline the PA process and improve timely access to appropriate care.

In the tables starting on page 2, “X” indicates the applicable line(s) of business. “N/A” indicates “not applicable.”

What physicians and other providers need to do

- **Review the code lists** below for changes affecting your practice.
- **Submit PA requests** for services requiring authorization starting on the effective date.
- **Verify member eligibility** and benefits before providing services. Changes to PA requirements do not constitute, imply or confirm benefit coverage, as authorization requirements are independent of coverage determinations.
- **Use current PA requirements** when submitting requests.

Key effective dates

- New CPT and HCPCS issued by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) requiring authorization, effective July 1, 2026.
- Addition, effective July 28, 2026.
- Additions and removals, effective October 1, 2026.

How to access PA requirements

Use one of these options:

- Visit <https://bit.ly/HN-Prior-Auth> and select one of the following:
 - **Medi-Cal Fee-for-Service Health Net**
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THIS UPDATE APPLIES TO:

- Physicians and Practitioners
- Participating Physician Groups
- Hospitals
- Ancillary Providers
- Behavioral Health Providers

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 - Ambetter PPO
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 - HMO/POS
 - PPO
- Wellcare By Health Net
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Additions, effective July 1, 2026

The following new codes issued by CMS require PA, effective July 1, 2026.

Medicare	HMO/POS/PPO	Medi-Cal	Category	CPT/HCPCS code
X	X	X	Genetic testing	0631U, 0632U, 0633U, 0634U, 0635U, 0640U, 0641U, 0642U, 0643U, 0644U, 0645U, 0646U, 0647U, 0648U, 0649U, 0650U, 0651U, 0652U, 0653U, 0654U, 0655U, 0656U, 0657U, 0658U, 0659U
X	X	X	Outpatient pharmaceuticals • J7176 does not apply to Medi-Cal • J2374 only applies to Medicare	C9310, J1289, J1577, J2361, J2374, J3386, J3405, J7176, J9053, J9062, Q5164, Q5165, Q5166, Q5167, Q5168, Q5169, Q5170, Q5171
X	X	X	Proprietary laboratory analyses	0636U, 0637U, 0638U, 0639U
X	N/A	N/A	Spinal surgery	C1609
X	X	X	Vascular embolization	G0577

Addition, effective July 28, 2026

PA is required for the following code, effective July 28, 2026.

Medicare	HMO/POS/PPO	Medi-Cal	Category	CPT/HCPCS code
X	X	X	Experimental/investigational services and new technologies	0686T

Additions, effective October 1, 2026

PA is required for the following codes, effective October 1, 2026.

HMO/POS/PPO	Medi-Cal	Category	CPT/HCPCS code
X	N/A	Behavioral health (outpatient services)	S0201
X	N/A	Dental anesthesia	00170
N/A	X	Dental anesthesia	G0330
X	N/A	Hearing aids	V5257
X	N/A	Hospice	G0299, G0300
N/A	X	Proprietary laboratory analyses	0558U, 0559U, 0570U, 0572U, 0573U, 0574U, 0581U, 0584U, 0590U, 0593U, 0594U
X	N/A	Reconstructive and cosmetic surgery, services and supplies	31298

HMO/POS/PPO	Medi-Cal	Category	CPT/HCPCS code
N/A	X	Respite services (Community Supports service)	S9125
X	N/A	Tonsil and adenoid procedures	42820, 42821, 42825, 42826, 42830, 42831, 42835, 42836
X	N/A	Unlisted services and procedures	41899
N/A	X	Unlisted services and procedures	91299

Removals, effective October 1, 2026

The following codes no longer require PA, effective October 1, 2026. Changes include reduced requirements for Medi-Cal members under age 21.

HMO/POS/PPO	Medi-Cal	Category	CPT/HCPCS code
N/A	X	Behavioral health • 96110 applies to members under age 21	96110, 96121
N/A	X	Capsule endoscopy	91110, 91111, 91112, 91113
N/A	X	Cardiovascular procedures • Codes listed apply to members under age 21	33025, 33030, 33031, 33050, 33120, 33211, 33212, 33213, 33221, 33222, 33224, 33238, 33240, 33419, 33508, 33517, 33518, 33746, 33946, 33947, 33949, 33952, 33953, 33954, 33955, 33956, 33995, 93583, 93600, 93602, 93603, 93610, 93612, 93615, 93619, 93631, 93640, 93641, 93642
X – PPO only • Authorized by TurningPoint Healthcare Solutions, LLC.	N/A	Cardiovascular procedures	37220, 37221, 37224, 37225, 37226, 37227, 37228, 37229, 37230, 37231, 37232, 37233, 37234, 37235, 92929, 92934, 92938, 92944
N/A	X	Custom orthotics • Codes listed apply to members under age 21	21079, 21086, 21087
N/A	X	Durable medical equipment • Codes listed apply to members under age 21	E0434, E1022, E1032, E1033, E1034, E1803, E1807, E1808, E1813, E1822, E1826, E1827
N/A	X	Enteral nutrition	B4220, B4222, B4224, B9999, S9340

HMO/POS/PPO	Medi-Cal	Category	CPT/HCPCS code
N/A	X	members under age 21	25115, 25116, 25118, 25120, 25130, 25230, 25240, 25259, 25260, 25263, 25270, 25272, 25274, 25275, 25280, 25290, 25355, 25425, 25455, 25490, 25520, 25526, 25624, 25651, 25652, 25670, 25675, 25676, 25680, 25999, 26011, 26025, 26030, 26034, 26037, 26075, 26080, 26100, 26105, 26110, 26111, 26115, 26130, 26135, 26140, 26170, 26200, 26210, 26215, 26235, 26320, 26340, 26341, 26352, 26390, 26410, 26415, 26418, 26420, 26450, 26455, 26460, 26476, 26520, 26542, 26545, 26560, 26561, 26562, 26567, 26568, 26590, 26591, 26593, 26596, 26645, 26675, 26676, 26685, 26686, 26706, 26715, 26740, 26756, 26770, 26775, 26785, 26861, 26863, 26990, 26991, 26992, 27000, 27001, 27005, 27006, 27025, 27030, 27036, 27040, 27041, 27043, 27047, 27054, 27062, 27080, 27095, 27097, 27100, 27146, 27147, 27151, 27156, 27161, 27165, 27170, 27179, 27185, 27187, 27197, 27215, 27248, 27250, 27252, 27254, 27257, 27258, 27259, 27265, 27266, 27267, 27268, 27275, 27301, 27303, 27305, 27307, 27310, 27324, 27327, 27330, 27334, 27335, 27340, 27345, 27347, 27350, 27356, 27358, 27369, 27380, 27381, 27385, 27390, 27391, 27393, 27400, 27420, 27422, 27424, 27430, 27435, 27448, 27450, 27457, 27466, 27470, 27472, 27524, 27532, 27550, 27556, 27562, 27566, 27594, 27598, 27599, 27600, 27602, 27603, 27604, 27605, 27607, 27610, 27612, 27613, 27614, 27618, 27620, 27625, 27626, 27630, 27632, 27634, 27638, 27648, 27656, 27659, 27664, 27665, 27675, 27676, 27680, 27681, 27686, 27690, 27692, 27696, 27705, 27707, 27709, 27715, 27742, 27767, 27788, 27816, 27829, 27840, 27842, 27846, 27848, 27860, 27894, 27899, 28001, 28002, 28003, 28005, 28008, 28010, 28011, 28022, 28024, 28035, 28050, 28054, 28055, 28080, 28088, 28090, 28092, 28100, 28102, 28104, 28107, 28108, 28112, 28116, 28119, 28126, 28160, 28200, 28208, 28225, 28230, 28234, 28238, 28240, 28250, 28260, 28261, 28262, 28264, 28270, 28272, 28280, 28286, 28300, 28302, 28304, 28305, 28306, 28309, 28310, 28312, 28345, 28400, 28435, 28450, 28456, 28475, 28476, 28495, 28496, 28515, 28525, 28555, 28576, 28585, 28605, 28606, 28615, 28635, 28645, 28675, 28890, 29010, 29035, 29040, 29055, 29086, 29305, 29325, 29355, 29365, 29435, 29445, 29450, 29520, 29581, 29584, 29700, 29805, 29807, 29819, 29820, 29821, 29822, 29823, 29824, 29825, 29828, 29830, 29834, 29838, 29843, 29846, 29891, 29892, 29893, 29894, 29897, 29898, 30124, 30200, 30220, 30300, 30310, 30540, 30560, 30580, 30600, 30903,
		Outpatient elective surgery Codes listed apply to	

HMO/POS/PPO	Medi-Cal	Category	CPT/HCPCS code
N/A	X	members under age 21	30905, 30906, 30999, 31000, 31020, 31030, 31032, 31040, 31090, 31233, 31235, 31239, 31240, 31290, 31292, 31420, 31500, 31505, 31520, 31525, 31530, 31531, 31535, 31536, 31540, 31545, 31560, 31561, 31576, 31577, 31600, 31601, 31603, 31605, 31610, 31611, 31615, 31622, 31627, 31629, 31632, 31633, 31637, 31645, 31646, 31647, 31651, 31654, 32096, 32141, 32150, 32160, 32320, 32400, 32550, 32552, 32553, 32554, 32555, 32556, 32557, 32560, 32561, 32601, 32606, 32608, 32609, 32650, 32651, 32652, 32653, 32655, 32656, 32659, 32661, 32667, 32668, 32674, 33016, 33268, 33275, 33286, 33370, 33509, 33572, 33897, 33967, 33968, 33969, 33970, 33973, 33975, 33977, 33980, 33983, 33984, 33986, 33990, 33992, 33993, 34001, 34101, 34111, 34151, 34201, 34203, 34421, 34490, 34701, 34703, 34705, 34706, 34709, 34710, 34712, 34713, 34714, 34715, 34716, 34717, 34718, 34808, 34812, 34834, 34846, 35251, 35305, 35341, 35583, 35600, 35665, 35681, 35685, 35695, 35700, 35701, 35702, 35703, 35883, 36000, 36002, 36005, 36013, 36014, 36015, 36140, 36160, 36200, 36215, 36216, 36217, 36218, 36221, 36227, 36228, 36245, 36246, 36247, 36251, 36252, 36253, 36254, 36299, 36416, 36425, 36450, 36455, 36460, 36473, 36572, 36573, 37254, 37255, 37256, 37258, 37260, 37263, 37264, 37265, 37266, 37267, 37269, 37272, 37274, 37275, 37280, 37281, 37282, 37286, 37288, 37289, 37290, 37291, 37292, 37293, 37294, 37295, 37600, 38531, 42975, 43238, 43265, 43753, 43757, 43761, 43762, 43763, 44015, 44121, 44128, 44180, 44213, 44340, 44360, 44361, 44363, 44381, 44389, 44392, 44394, 44406, 44500, 44650, 44800, 44899, 44950, 44955, 44960, 45000, 45005, 45020, 45100, 45123, 45300, 45305, 45307, 45317, 45330, 45331, 45332, 45333, 45334, 45335, 45337, 45341, 45342, 45346, 45347, 45349, 45350, 45379, 45381, 45386, 45389, 45391, 45392, 45393, 45398, 45399, 45400, 45402, 45499, 45505, 45541, 45560, 45562, 45900, 45905, 45910, 46030, 46040, 46045, 46050, 46060, 46200, 46220, 46221, 46250, 46255, 46257, 46258, 46260, 46261, 46262, 46288, 46320, 46500, 46601, 46604, 46606, 46607, 46608, 46611, 46612, 46614, 46615, 46705, 46706, 46750, 46900, 46922, 46924, 46930, 46942, 46945, 46946, 46947, 46948, 46999, 47001, 47010, 47100, 47480, 47490, 47531, 47532, 47533, 47534, 47535, 47536, 47537, 47542, 47544, 47550, 47564, 47579, 47600, 47605, 47700, 47900, 48020, 48102, 49002, 49010, 49020, 49040, 49060, 49082, 49084, 49180, 49185, 49255, 49323,
		Outpatient elective surgery • Codes listed apply to	

HMO/POS/PPO	Medi-Cal	Category	CPT/HCPCS code
N/A	X	members under age 21	49324, 49325, 49326, 49400, 49405, 49406, 49407, 49411, 49418, 49419, 49421, 49422, 49423, 49426, 49435, 49436, 49460, 49540, 49550, 49553, 49600, 49605, 49606, 49659, 49900, 49904, 49905, 50010, 50205, 50384, 50385, 50386, 50387, 50389, 50390, 50396, 50431, 50433, 50434, 50436, 50437, 50500, 50541, 50551, 50555, 50575, 50580, 50600, 50605, 50660, 50684, 50688, 50690, 50693, 50694, 50695, 50948, 50949, 50951, 50953, 51020, 51040, 51045, 51102, 51525, 51535, 51600, 51610, 51703, 51705, 51710, 51715, 51720, 51725, 51726, 51727, 51728, 51729, 51741, 51784, 51785, 51792, 51841, 51845, 51990, 52001, 52007, 52214, 52224, 52234, 52235, 52240, 52260, 52265, 52275, 52276, 52281, 52282, 52283, 52287, 52300, 52301, 52315, 52320, 52325, 52327, 52330, 52334, 52341, 52342, 52344, 52345, 52346, 52354, 52355, 52400, 52450, 52500, 52630, 52640, 52648, 52649, 52700, 53020, 53025, 53260, 53265, 53270, 53500, 53600, 53601, 53605, 53620, 53660, 53661, 53850, 53854, 54000, 54015, 54050, 54056, 54060, 54065, 54100, 54105, 54110, 54115, 54160, 54162, 54200, 54220, 54235, 54348, 54380, 54406, 54415, 54420, 54430, 54437, 54440, 54450, 54550, 54600, 54620, 57465, 58674, 61736, 61737, 61889, 62328, 62329, 64451, 64454, 64583, 64584, 64600, 64611, 64612, 64615, 64617, 64629, 64632, 64634, 64645, 64646, 64647, 64650, 64653, 64680, 64704, 64712, 64713, 64714, 64716, 64722, 64727, 64776, 64778, 64782, 64787, 64788, 64795, 64820, 64821, 64822, 64831, 64832, 64834, 64835, 64837, 64857, 64905, 64910, 64913, 65155, 65175, 65400, 65410, 65420, 65430, 65435, 65436, 65450, 65600, 65772, 65779, 65800, 65810, 65850, 65855, 65860, 65870, 65875, 65880, 66020, 66030, 66711, 66740, 66761, 66762, 66770, 66830, 66840, 66990, 67028, 67101, 67208, 67220, 67221, 67225, 67227, 67331, 67335, 67405, 67412, 67420, 67450, 67500, 67505, 67710, 67810, 67825, 67830, 67835, 67850, 67875, 67880, 68020, 68040, 68100, 68115, 68130, 68135, 68200, 68320, 68325, 68326, 68328, 68330, 68335, 68340, 68362, 68399, 68440, 68500, 68510, 68525, 68530, 68540, 68700, 68705, 68760, 68770, 68801, 68810, 68841, 68899, 69020, 69100, 69110, 69120, 69145, 69205, 69210, 69220, 69222, 69320, 69420, 69440, 69450, 69505, 69550, 69604, 69717, 69805, 69949, 69955, 69990, 92945
N/A	X	Outpatient pharmaceuticals	J2597

HMO/POS/PPO	Medi-Cal	Category	CPT/HCPCS code
		applies to members under age 21	
N/A	X	Proprietary laboratory analyses	0552U, 0553U, 0554U, 0555U, 0566U, 0575U, 0576U, 0579U, 0591U, 0599U
N/A	X	Prosthetics Codes listed apply to members under age 21	B9002, B9998, L5000, L5636, L5655, L5657, L5658, L5666, L5670, L5678, L5680, L5684, L5686, L5688, L5690, L5692, L5698, L5850, L5855, L5971, L5985, L6615, L6620, L6629, L6630, L6632, L6635, L6655, L6660, L6665, L6670, L6672, L6675, L6676, L6682, L7366, L7401, L7520, L8000, L8001, L8015, L8020, L8300, L8310, L8320, L8330, L8400, L8410, L8415, L8435, L8460, L8465, L8507, L8509, L8511, L8513, S8189, V2626, V2630, V2632
N/A	X	Radiation therapy Codes listed apply to members under age 21	C1728, 76873, 76965, 77011, 77012, 77021, 77262, 77263, 77280, 77285, 77290, 77299, 77300, 77306, 77316, 77370, 77399, 77402, 77412, 77417, 77427, 77470, 77600, 77610, 77767, 77790
N/A	X	Reconstructive and cosmetic surgery, services and supplies 17108, 17106 and 17107 apply to members under age 21	17106, 17107, 17108, 67904
X	N/A	Reconstructive and cosmetic surgery, services and supplies	11981, 11982, 11983
N/A	X	Sleep studies	95805
X	N/A	Transplant	38208

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