

Prior Authorization Guide

Emergent Care does not require prior authorization for services

ELECTIVE INPATIENT ADMISSIONS

Elective admissions – not limited to:

- Acute rehabilitation facility
- Behavioral health and substance abuse facility
- Hospice
- Hospital
- Long Term Acute Care
- Skilled Nursing Facility
- Scheduled Hospitalizations

OUT-OF-AREA (OOA) SERVICES

OOA – All services outside of San Diego County

OUTPATIENT PROCEDURES/SERVICES/EQUIPMENT

- AMBULANCE
 - Non-emergency air or ground transportation
- BARIATRIC SURGERY AND CARE
- BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE
- BLOOD PRODUCTS
- CARDIAC REHABILITATION
- CHEMOTHERAPY
- COSMETIC SERVICES
- CYBERKNIFE
- DENTAL consultations and procedures that are covered under medical benefit
- DERMATOLOGY
 - o Dermabrasion/chemical peel
 - o Chemical exfoliation and electrolysis
 - Laser treatment
 - Skin injections and implants
- DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT (DME)
 - Diabetic supplies test strips
- EXPERIMENTAL/INVESTIGATIONAL SERVICES/CLINICAL TRAILS AND NEW TECHNOLOGIES
- HEARING AIDS
- HOME HEALTH SERVICES
- INFERTILITY SERVICES
 - GIFT/ZIFT/In vitro fertilization is excluded from coverage
- INFUSION THERAPY

- INTENSITY MODULATED RADIATION THERAPY (IMRT)
- NEURO AND SPINAL CORD STIMULATOR
- ORTHOTICS
- OUTPATIENT DIAGNOSTIC TESTS
 - o CT
 - o MRI/MRA
 - Nuclear Cardiology
 - PET
- SURGICAL PROCEDURES
 - All procedures done at freestanding surgery center or outpatient department of hospital
 - o Blepharoplasty
- PHYSICAL THERAPY
- PROSTHETICS
- PROTON THERAPY
- PULMONARY REHABILITATION
- OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY
- RADIATION THERAPY
- SECOND OPINION (out-of-network)
- SPEECH THERAPY
- SOME SPECIALTY CARE REFERRALS
- STEREOTACTIC RADIOSURGERY AND STEREOTACTIC BODY RADIOTHERAPY (SBRT)
- TRANSGENDER SERVICES
- TRANSPLANT RELATED SERVICES