

New Medicare Preauthorization Requirements through eviCore

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of New Mexico (BCBSNM) has contracted with eviCore healthcare (eviCore), an independent specialty medical benefits management company, to provide Utilization Management services for new preauthorization requirements outlined below.

These new preauthorization requirements apply to the following health plan:

- Blue Cross Medicare AdvantageSM

Effective April 3, 2017, eviCore will manage preauthorization for the following specialized clinical services:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outpatient Molecular Genetics 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outpatient Radiation Therapy 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Musculoskeletal <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Chiropractic ○ Physical and Occupational Therapy ○ Speech Therapy ○ Spine Surgery (Outpatient/Inpatient) ○ Spine Lumbar Fusion (Outpatient/Inpatient) ○ Interventional Pain 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outpatient Cardiology & Radiology <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Pediatric Abdomen Imaging ○ Pediatric Cardiac Imaging ○ Pediatric Chest Imaging ○ Pediatric Head Imaging ○ Pediatric Musculoskeletal Imaging ○ Pediatric Neck Imaging ○ Pediatric Oncology Imaging ○ Pediatric Pelvis Imaging ○ Pediatric Peripheral Nerve Disorders (PND) Imaging ○ Pediatric Peripheral Vascular Disease (PVD) Imaging ○ Pediatric Spine Imaging ○ Abdomen Imaging ○ Cardiac Imaging ○ Chest Imaging ○ Cardiac Rhythm Implantable Device (CRID) ○ Head Imaging ○ Musculoskeletal (Joint, Spine, Pain) ○ Neck Imaging ○ Obstetrical Ultrasound Imaging ○ Oncology Imaging ○ Pelvis Imaging ○ Peripheral Nerve Disorders (PND) Imaging ○ Peripheral Vascular Disease (PVD) Imaging ○ Spine Imaging 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outpatient Medical Oncology 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outpatient Sleep 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Post-Acute Care 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outpatient Specialty Drug 	

Services performed without preauthorization or that do not meet medical necessity criteria may be denied for payment, and the rendering provider may not seek reimbursement from the member.

You will continue to use iExchange[®] for all other services that require preauthorization.

BCBSNM and eviCore will be providing additional information, including training opportunities, in the coming months on the Provider website at bcbsnm.com/provider and in *Blue Review*.

Our goal is always to provide our members with quality, affordable health care. If you have any questions, please contact your Provider Network Representative.

eviCore healthcare (eviCore) is an independent specialty medical benefits management company that provides utilization management services for BCBSNM.

Please note that the fact that a service has been preauthorized/pre-certified is not a guarantee of payment. Benefits will be determined once a claim is received and will be based upon, among other things, the member's eligibility and the terms of the member's certificate of coverage applicable on the date services were rendered.