

HealthLink Standard Medical Necessity Review Checklist

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HealthLink Utilization Management

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Services Requiring Pre-Certification

Inpatient Services (Medical, Surgical, Behavioral)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Bariatric SurgeryComputer Navigation for Orthopedic SurgeryElective AdmissionsEmergency AdmissionsHospice	<ul style="list-style-type: none">LTAC AdmissionsLumbar Spine SurgeryRehabilitation Facility AdmissionsSkilled Nursing Facility AdmissionsTransplants
Surgical Procedures - Ambulatory	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Bariatric SurgeryCartilage Transplant KneeCochlear ImplantComputer Navigation for Orthopedic SurgeryLumbar Spine Surgery	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Nasal SeptoplastyRhinoplastySinus EndoscopySleep Apnea Surgery - LAUP/UPPP, Nasal, and Uvulopalatoplasty
Ancillary Services	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Home Infusion ServicesHome Health ServicesHome Hospice	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Occupational TherapyPhysical TherapySpeech Therapy
Durable Medical Equipment	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Bone StimulatorCardio/External DefibrillatorCooling DevicesCPAP/BIPAPElectric ScootersLimb Prosthetics	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Myoelectric prostheticsNeuromuscular StimulatorsTENS UnitWheelchairs (Custom)Wheelchairs (Power)Wound Vacs
Diagnostic Imaging - Ambulatory	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Coronary CT Angiography (CCTA)Coronary MRACardiac MRIMRA of the Head and/or Neck	<ul style="list-style-type: none">MRI of the BrainMRI of Spine – Cervical, Thoracic, Lumbar, SacralPET Scans
Specialty Infusion Drugs*	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Alemtuzumab (Campath)Azatiidine (Vidaza)Bevacizumab (Avastin)Bortezomib (Velcade)Fulvestrant (Faslodex)Immune Globulin (Intravenous)Mitoxantrone (Novantrone)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Oxaliplatin (Eloxatin)Paclitaxel (Taxol and Abraxane)Panitumumab (Vectibix)Pemetrexed (Alimta)Rituximab (RituXan)Trastuzumab (Herceptin)Zoledronic Acid (Zometa)

* Covered under the medical plan.

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Provider tools are available to help facilitate the Pre-Certification review process. These tools include: Fax Forms, Interactive Voice Response (IVR) and online tools to determine the UM vendor. For more information visit www.healthlink.com. From the Provider home page, click on the Utilization Management link.

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