

# Blue Cross Medicare Advantage (PPO)<sup>SM</sup> Preauthorization Requirements Effective June 1, 2017

## PREAUTHORIZATION REQUIREMENTS through eviCore – Effective 06/01/2017 requires contacting eviCore by:

Utilizing the eviCore Healthcare Web Portal is the most efficient way you are able to initiate a case, check status, review guidelines, view authorizations/eligibility and more or

Call toll-free at 855-252-1117 between 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. (Central time) Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Sunday and legal holidays

Note: \*\*For specific codes that apply, please access url https://www.evicore.com/healthplan/bcbs eviCore Healthcare Web Portal or call the toll free number listed above.

#### Services

- Outpatient Molecular Genetics
- Outpatient Radiation Therapy
- Musculoskeletal
  - o Chiropractic
  - Physical and Occupational Therapy
  - Speech Therapy\*

\*for codes 96105 & 96125 see note under Behavioral Health

- Spine Surgery (Outpatient/Inpatient)
- Spine Lumbar Fusion (Outpatient/Inpatient)
- Interventional Pain
- Outpatient Cardiology & Radiology
  - Abdomen Imaging
  - o Cardiac Imaging
  - Chest Imaging
  - Head Imaging
  - Musculoskeletal
  - Neck Imaging
  - o Obstetrical Ultrasound Imaging
  - Oncology Imaging
  - Pelvis Imaging
  - o Peripheral Nerve Disorders (Pnd) Imaging
  - o Peripheral Vascular Disease (Pvd) Imaging
  - Spine Imaging
- Outpatient Medical Oncology
- Outpatient Sleep
- Outpatient Specialty Drug

# PREAUTHORIZATION REQUIREMENTS: Services through Blue Cross Medicare Advantage (BCBSTX) \*\*(for codes not listed, please refer to list located on eviCore Healthcare Web Portal)

#### **Air Ambulance Services:**

A0430, A0431, A0435, A0436

#### **All Network Exceptions**

#### **All Organ Transplants**

#### **Blepharoplasty:**

15775, 15776, 15777, 15780, 15781, 15782, 15783, 15786, 15787, 15788, 15789, 15792, 15793, 15820, 15821, 15822, 15823, 15824, 15825, 15826, 15828, 15829, 15830, 15832, 15833, 15834, 15835

#### **Botox Injections:** 64650, 64653,64615

## DME, Medical Supplies, Orthotics and Prosthetics > \$2500 and including the following\*\*

E0652, K0822, E0747, E0748 L8680, E0760, K0861, E0935

- Cochlear Implant Devices
- Power Wheelchairs
- Specialty Beds

Note: E0748 was removed and is included in eviCore's Musculoskeletal Spine services above

#### **Home Health Care and Hospice:**

G0154, G0162, G0163, G0164, G0299, G0300, G0161

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#### Inpatient Facilities - Medical (approve/pend based on IRL)

Acute Care Facility/Hospital

#### **Inpatient Rehab Facility**

Long Term Acute Care(LTAC)

Medical Outpatient \*\*

36514, E0676

#### Outpatient Diagnostic Tests \*\*

GI Radiology services including 91110, 91111

#### **Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNF)**

Surgical Inpatient\*\*

64561,22840, 33225

#### Surgical Outpatient\*\*

69930, 33282, 67904, 64561, 43644, 22840, 43774, 43775, 22851, 33225, 36476

Note: 22614 was removed and is included in eviCore's Musculoskeletal Spine services above

#### **Behavioral Health\*\***

#### All Inpatient Stays Facilities/Hospitals

#### **All Network Exceptions**

### **Outpatient Mental Health Services**

- ECT-90870
- rTMS-90867, 90868
- Psychological Testing 96101, 96102, 96103

### Neuropsychological Testing\*\*

96116, 96118, 96119, 96120, **96105\***, 96111, **96125\*** 

\*Managed by eviCore except for Behavioral Health diagnosis

#### **Partial Hospitalization Program**

#### **Out of Plan / Out of Network Referrals**

A referral to an out-of-plan or out-of-network provider which is necessary due to network inadequacy or continuity of care must be reviewed by the BCBSTX Utilization Management prior to a BCBSTX patient receiving care.

The **Blue Cross Medicare Advantage** (**PPO**) referring physician or professional provider must contact the BCBSTX Utilization Management Department at the number listed below to request an out-of-plan or out-of- network referral authorization. For requests that are approved, the BCBSTX Utilization Management Department will forward an approval letter to the out-of-plan or out-of-network physician or professional provider.

Requests for out-of-plan or out-of-network referrals should be directed to:

#### BCBSTX Utilization Management Department (For Medical and Behavioral Health Services)

#### (call) 877-774-8592 or (fax) 855-874-4711

Hours: 6 am – 6 pm (CT), M-F and non-legal holidays and 9 am to 12 noon (CT), Saturday, Sunday and legal holidays. Messages may be left in a confidential voice mailbox after business hours.

If the out-of-network/plan provider determines that additional care is needed, the provider must obtain additional approval from the BCBSTX Utilization Management Department.