## Provider Update

## **REMINDER: Best Practices for Submitting Claims with Authorizations**

Date: October 1, 2019

To ensure timely and accurate payment on claims, providers shall submit the appropriate authorization on claims (if applicable). Best practices for submitting authorizations on claims include:

- 1. Obtain an authorization for services that require an authorization
  - a. Providers can verify our No Prior Authorization list on our website, <a href="https://www.virginiapremier.com">www.virginiapremier.com</a>, to determine what services require an authorization
- 2. Authorizations shall be requested prior to the service or at the time of service
- 3. The authorization obtained must match the member being billed on the claim
- 4. The authorization obtained shall match the services billed on a claim
- 5. The NPI number used to obtain the authorization must match the NPI number being billed on the claim
- 6. Providers shall not submit claims prior to the authorization being approved
- 7. Providers shall bill for the same units that are approved under the authorization
- 8. The authorization date span shall match the dates provided on the claim
- 9. When no authorization is required, providers shall not put an authorization number on the claim
- 10. For Home Health, the authorization should be requested using the procedure code, not the revenue code



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11. Authorizations shall be faxed to the correct fax line:

Inpatient Admission: 877-739-1365

Medallion 4.0 Outpatient (OP): 800-827-7192

CCC Plus OP: 877-739-1371

Medicare (DSNP/MAPD) OP: 877-739-1364

Behavioral Health OP CCC Plus: 804-799-5104

Behavioral Health OP Medallion 4.0 and Medicare: 804-343-0304

Behavioral Health Inpatient and ARTS: 804-799-5105

LTSS Services: 877-794-7954

- 12. Providers are encouraged to verify the status of an authorization by utilizing our provider portal
  - a. Providers can verify authorization status on our website, <a href="www.virginiapremier.com">www.virginiapremier.com</a> > For Providers > Medicaid/Medicare > Provider Portal.

If you have concerns that your current authorizations are not in line with the requirements above, then please reach out to our Medical Management Department at 800-727-7536 to have your authorization updated.

If you have any questions, please contact Provider Services. We are available Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm at 804-968-1529 or toll-free 800-727-7536.

Sincerely,

**Provider Services** 

