



An important message from **Provider Relations**

Provider Alert: Important Prior Authorization Updates

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As part of our ongoing work to improve the prior authorization (PA) process for both providers and members, Iowa Total Care wants to share some important updates to our PA requirements. Our goal is to reduce administrative burden, simplify submission and approval processes and facilitate timely access to appropriate, high-quality care.

Code changes will be effective on April 1, 2026. Code changes can be found below.

These changes may include:

- Removing PA requirements based on criticality of review and clinical need.
- Creating a more uniform set of prior authorization requirements to simplify processes, reduce confusion for providers and support future efforts to expand real-time responses to requests.

Service Category	PA Rule	Services	Procedure Codes
DME Services	PA Required	Beds	E0277
		Diabetic Drugs and Supplies	A9276, A9277, A9278, E0784
		Neurostimulators	E0745
		Orthotic and Prosthetic	L0460, L0462, L0464, L1832, L1940, L1970
		Oxygen Supplies and Devices	E0445, E1390
		Wheelchair Accessories	E1028, E2620, E2621
	PA Required After Plan Benefit Limitation	Nutritional Services	B9998
Drug Codes	PA Required	Injection Medications	J0878, Q5129
Genetic Analysis	PA Required	Genetic Testing	81308, 88262, 88271, 88275
Other Medical Services	PA Required	Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy	99183
		Wound Care	E2402
	No PA Required for PAR Providers	Wound Care	97606
Pain Management	PA Required	Surgery-Nervous System	64628, 64629
Physical Medicine	PA Required	Orthotic and Prosthetic	L5673



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Service Category	PA Rule	Services	Procedure Codes
Physician Services	PA Required	Neurological Tests	95700, 95712, 95713, 95714, 95715, 95716, 95718, 95720, 95721, 95722, 95723, 95724, 95725, 95726
Skin Procedures	PA Required	Muscle Flap Procedures	15736
	PA Required if Billed with Diagnosis of Gender Dysphoria	Skin Grafts	14060, 14061
	For All Others, PA Required for Non-PAR Providers Only		
Surgery Procedures	PA Required	Hysterectomies	58545
		Joint Replacement Surgery	25447
		Surgery – ENT System	30460, 30462, 30520
		Surgery – Endocrine System	60240, 60252, 60500
		Surgery – Musculoskeletal System	28285, 28296
		Surgery – Nervous System	64582
		Surgery – Respiratory System	30130, 30140, 31253, 31254, 31255, 31256, 31257, 31259, 31267

For questions or concerns, [contact](#) your provider engagement account manager in your area or call Provider Services at 1-833-404-1061, Monday – Friday 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. CT.

Thank you for your partnership in serving Iowa Total Care members.