

# PROVIDER QUICK POINTS

## PROVIDER INFORMATION



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### **Preadmission Notification Language**

In order to differentiate preadmission notification (PAN) requests from other inpatient admission authorizations, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota and Blue Plus (Blue Cross) is adding new language for PAN requests submitted on the Availity Provider Portal at Availity.com. Starting September 27, 2019, preadmission notifications completed in the Availity Authorizations portal will include the following information:

“This approval acknowledges the notification requirement for this admission was completed. This admission does not require a clinical review at this time but must be medically necessary to be covered by the plan and is subject to concurrent or retrospective review for medical necessity. If the member needs additional days approved, please submit a request for concurrent review. All procedure(s) provided during the admission must also be medically necessary and must be approved by the plan separately when PA is required.”

For requests that are not submitted on Availity, this language will be included on the fax response sent from Blue Cross to the facility.

All planned and unplanned acute hospital admissions for commercial subscribers require preadmission notification. All admissions for Medicare Advantage and Minnesota Health Care Programs require precertification and will not have this information included on the response in Availity.

### **Questions?**

If you have any questions, please contact provider services at **(651) 662-5200** or **1-800-262-0820**.