

PROVIDER BULLETIN

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Clinical Reviews for Court-Ordered Substance Use Disorder Treatment

Effective August 1, 2018, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota and Blue Plus (Blue Cross) will enforce pre-authorization (PA) rules with an up-front clinical review of court-ordered Substance Use Disorder (SUD) treatment for all lines of business. Treatment requests that meet the requirements set forth in Minnesota Statute 62Q.137 will be approved per state law. However, these requests must include a copy of the court's preliminary determination and supporting documents, as well as a copy of the assessment conducted by the Department of Corrections.

Court-ordered treatment requests that are received without this documentation will be subject to PA medical necessity review.

Products Impacted

The information in this Bulletin applies to all the following products:

- All commercial lines of business
- Government programs lines of business (Prepaid Medical Assistance Program (PMAP), MinnesotaCare (MNCare), SecureBlue (MSHO), and Minnesota Senior Care Plus (MSC+) health plans
- Federal Employee Program (FEP)
- Medicare Supplement (Senior Gold, Basic Medicare Blue and Extended Basic Blue), Medicare Advantage and Platinum Blue

Services that require Pre-Certification/Pre-Authorization/Notification

Only services on the PA lists require pre-certification/pre-authorization/notification. Do not request authorization for services not on the PA lists.

Follow the steps below to review the list of services that require a PA.

1. Access the 'Provider Section' of the Blue Cross website at **providers.bluecrossmn.com**
2. Under 'Tools and Resources' select 'Medical policy' then acknowledge the Acceptance Statement.
3. Click on the '+' next to 'Utilization Management' and under the 'Precertification Lists' select the appropriate list based on the type of product the subscriber has (commercial, government programs, Medicare plans, Medicare Advantage, FEP)

Questions?

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