Utilization Management news and reminders

TIMING CHANGE Medical specialty drugs authorization program

Bright HealthCare has postponed for at least 60 days the go-live of the new authorization program through Magellan for medical specialty drugs. Bright HealthCare will communicate about the new implementation date soon. **Please continue to follow the current authorization submission process for medical specialty drugs.** This program will not apply to California.

Notice: Authorization requirement changes effective 7/1

Various authorization requirement changes will take effect July 1, 2022. An overview of these changes is available at **BrightHealthCare.com/provider/utilization-management** under "News and announcements" and at **Availity.com**.

Outpatient Site of Service program

Bright HealthCare's outpatient Site of Service program is designed to help members receive high-quality care at a lower cost. The goal of the Site of Service program is to ensure that members receive care in the most appropriate, cost-effective setting based on their individual needs. For example, when clinically appropriate, members may be redirected to a lower-cost setting for certain services, such as a free-standing, non-hospital outpatient site of care.

Please go to **BrightHealthCare.com/provider/utilization-management** to review the 7/1 Prior Authorization List, which will list the services included in this program.

Please note that more services may be added to this program in the future.

How will this program impact the authorization process?

Bright HealthCare conducts medical necessity review for various services. The review includes an evaluation of cost-effectiveness. Services that are in scope for the Site of Service program will be reviewed to determine if the member can receive the services at a lower-cost setting. When clinically appropriate, members will only receive coverage under their Bright HealthCare plan for services in a lower-cost setting.