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MEDICAL NECESSITY LETTER COMPONENTS

Components of a medical necessity letter:

Identifying Information

- patient's name
- date of birth
- physician name
- date letter was written.

Statement of who you are: the referring physician

Date you last evaluated the patient

Pertinent medical history including documentation of medical, developmental or evaluative information

Statement on the expected evolution of the patient's condition through time

Justification of the **medical necessity** of the requested test(s)

Signature, professional qualifications and contact information in case the reviewer has questions.

Please keep a copy of the letter in the patient's file. You/the family will need it if an appeal is necessary.