This update contains pertinent information about changes that will impact the Johns Hopkins

HealthCare provider network.

Ophthalmology Outpatient Prior Authorization Initiative

Effective January 1, 2018, Priority Partners and US Family Health Plan will require members, ages 18 and older, to receive outpatient ophthalmology diagnostic or surgical procedures in an ambulatory surgery center (ASC). A diagnostic or surgical procedure performed in a Maryland hospital or other regulated setting ½ will require a prior authorization and must meet medical necessity.

Prior Authorization

Providers seeking to perform services in a Maryland hospital or regulated setting will need to submit a prior authorization request to Johns Hopkins HealthCare (JHHC) via the HealthLINK@Hopkins portal or by fax at (410) 424-4603. The prior authorization request should include all pertinent clinical information to support the medical necessity. If there are no medical reasons to have the procedure in a Maryland hospital or regulated setting, the member should be referred to a specialist with privileges at a participating ASC.

For services already scheduled to be performed in a Maryland hospital or regulated setting in 2018, please submit the prior authorization request to JHHC via the HealthUNK@Hopkins portal or by fax as soon as possible. Failure to obtain a prior authorization may result in a denial of payment.

Effective with dates of service January 1, 2018, the following list of procedure codes will require a prior authorization if performed in a Maryland hospital or regulated setting:

65091	65155	65285	65781	65900	66250	66825	67005	67110	67312	67500	67820	67904
65093	65175	65286	65782	65920	66680	66830	67010	67120	67314	67505	67825	67906
65101	65205	65400	65800	65930	66682	66840	67015	67121	67316	67515	67830	67908
65103	65210	65410	65810	66020	66700	66850	67025	67208	67318	67550	67835	67909
65105	65220	65420	65815	66030	66710	66852	67027	67210	67343	67560	67840	67911
65110	65222	65426	65820	66130	66711	66920	67028	67218	67345	67700	67850	67912
65112	65235	65430	65850	66160	66720	66930	67030	67220	67346	67710	67875	67914
65114	65260	65435	65855	66170	66740	66940	67031	67221	67400	67715	67880	67915
65125	65265	65436	65860	66172	66761	66982	67036	67227	67405	67800	67882	67916
65130	65270	65450	65865	66180	66762	66983	67039	67228	67412	67801	67900	67917
65135	65272	65600	65870	66185	66770	66984	67040	67250	67413	67805	67901	67921
65140	65275	65730	65875	66220	66820	66985	67041	67255	67414	67808	67902	67922
65150	65280	65780	65880	66225	66821	66986	67042	67311	67415	67810	67903	1

A list of participating ASCs is available here.

Johns Hopkins HealthCare medical policies can be found here.

To request an ASC addition to our participating network, please call the Provider Relations department at (888) 895-4998.

Regulated setting is considered any health care setting whose rates are regulated by the Maryland Health Services Cost Review Commission (HSCRC).