

# Provider Update

*This update contains pertinent information about changes that will impact the Johns Hopkins HealthCare provider network.*

## **New CPT Codes Requiring Preauthorization Effective Oct. 1**

**Effective Date:** Oct. 1, 2021

**Lines of Business:** Johns Hopkins Advantage MD, Priority Partners, Johns Hopkins Employer Health Programs (EHP) and Johns Hopkins US Family Health Plan (USFHP)

**Type of Change:** Process

**Explanation of Change:**

Effective Oct. 1, 2021, JHHC will require preauthorization for selected medical procedure codes for the Johns Hopkins Advantage MD, Priority Partners, EHP and USFHP lines of business. This requirement affects members of all ages enrolled in these plans.

The [list of procedure codes](#) requiring prior authorization is provided for reference purposes only and may not be all inclusive.

The listing of a code does not imply that the service described by the code is a covered or non-covered health service. Benefit coverage for health services is determined by the member specific benefit plan document and applicable laws that may require coverage for a specific service. The inclusion of a code does not imply any right to reimbursement or guarantee claim payment. Other policies and guidelines may apply.

Please refer to the Johns Hopkins Prior Authorization Lookup tool (JPAL), located in the [HealthLINK](#) portal, to check and verify preauthorization requirements for outpatient services and procedures.

### **Preauthorization Process**

Submit preauthorization requests to JHHC Utilization Management department (UM) to the dedicated fax numbers listed below:

- **Advantage MD:** 855-704-5296
- **Priority Partners:** 410-762-5205 or 410-424-4603
- **EHP:** 800-261-2421 or 410-424-4480
- **USFHP:** 410-424-2603 or 410-424-2603