



# Provider Notice

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

## Infusion Services Prior Authorization Initiative

Effective January 1, 2018, Priority Partners and US Family Health Plan will require members, ages 18 and older, to receive certain infusion services in a non-hospital based setting such as a physicians' office, freestanding outpatient infusion facility or in their own home. Outpatient infusion services performed in a Maryland hospital or regulated setting<sup>1</sup> will require a prior authorization and must meet medical necessity. Please refer to the HCPCS J codes listed below for your reference.

### Prior Authorization

Providers seeking to perform outpatient infusion 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 infusion services in a Maryland hospital or regulated setting, the member should be referred to a freestanding outpatient infusion facility, physician office, or their own home by a qualified home care infusion provider.

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 HealthLINK@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 infusion drug codes will require a prior authorization if performed in a Maryland hospital or regulated setting:

J0129	J1602	J3357	J3380
J1745	J3262	J9310	

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.

<sup>1</sup> Regulated setting is considered any health care setting whose rates are regulated by the Maryland Health Services Cost Review Commission (HSCRC).

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*Please contact the JHHC Provider Relations department at 1-888-895-4998 with any questions or concerns.*