

Provider Update

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

Preauthorization Required for Selected Medical Injectables for USFHP Members

Effective Date: March 1, 2020

Line(s) of Business Affected: Johns Hopkins US Family Health Plan (USFHP)

Type of Change (Process, Material, Benefit, Site of Service): New preauthorization requirement

Explanation of Change(s):

The following codes (listed in the next section) pertaining to physician-administered medical injectables for USFHP members will require preauthorization for medical necessity effective March 1, 2020. This applies to medical injectables administered in outpatient and office settings.

In addition to medical necessity, some of the services will also be subject to site-of-service requirements. As such, if those services are performed in the outpatient hospital setting (Place of Service 22), the reasoning must also meet medical necessity.

Affected Codes:

J0129	J0178*	J0202	J0490	J0517*	J0717	J0800*	J1459	J1555	J1556
J1557	J1559	J1561	J1566	J1568	J1569	J1572	J1575	J1599	J1602
J1628	J1745	J2182*	J2323	J2350	J2357*	J2505*	J2778*	J2796*	J3031*
J3111	J3245	J3316*	J3358	J3380	J3398*	J7318	J7320	J7321	J7322**
J7323	J7324	J7325	J7326	J7327	J7328	J7329	J7331	J7332	J9226*
Q5103	Q5104	Q5108*	Q5109	Q5111*					

* Not subject to site of care requirement

The following is a list of preferred biosimilar drugs. Use of preferred biosimilar product prior to the use of non-preferred product is required. Please note the preferred biosimilar drugs are subject to prior authorization.

Non-Preferred Medical Injection Drug	Preferred Biosimilar
J1745	Q5104
J2505	Q5108 & Q5111

Prior Authorization Process

For prior authorization requests, submit the [Medical Injectable Prior Authorization form](#) along with clinical supporting documentation via fax to 410-424-2801.

NOTE: A [complete list of the HCPCS Codes](#) for all specialty medications that require prior authorization is available on our website.

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