PRECERTIFICATION

Pre-certification/Pre-certified means a Covered Person must obtain Pre-certification of all Hospital stays and certain other services and procedures. Request for Pre-certification must be made by the Covered Person, the Covered Person's attending Physician, or the Covered Person's authorized representative prior to the commencement of any service or treatment or within 48 hours of an admission after an emergency room visit or as soon as reasonable possible. If Pre-certification is required, it must be obtained to avoid a reduction in benefits.

The following treatment or services must be pre-certified by the Medical Review Program

- 1. Inpatient admissions
- 2. Inpatient Rehabilitation Therapy admissions
- 3. Inpatient Skilled Nursing Facility, long term care, and sub-acute admissions and services
- 4. Inpatient mental health and chemical dependency admissions
- 5. Inpatient Residential Treatment
- 6. Non-Emergent (Scheduled) Air or Ground Ambulance
- 7. Pediatric Medically Necessary contact lenses
- 8. Amino Acid-Based Elemental Formulas
- 9. Low Protein Modified Foods
- 10. Clinical Trials
- 11. Medical Foods
- 12. Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA)
- 13. Bariatric Surgery
- 14. Cardiac Rehabilitation
- 15. Dental & Endoscopic Anesthesia
- 16. Durable Medical Equipment
- 17. Genetic Testing
- 18. Habilitative Therapy (physical therapy, occupational therapy, and speech therapy)
- 19. Home Health & Home Infusion Services
- 20. Hospice (home, inpatient)
- 21. Infertility Procedures
- 22. Imaging Service (Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI), Magnetic Resonance Angiography (MRA), Computed Tomography (CT), Computerized Tomography Angiography (CTA), Positron Emission Tomography (PET), Electronic Beam Computed Tomography (EBCT), SPECT, not including x-ray or ultrasound)

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- 23. Outpatient Injectable Drugs
- 24. Outpatient Surgery (performed at hospital, ambulatory surgery center of licensed facility)
- 25. Orthotics/Prosthetics
- 26. Implantable prosthetics (includes breast, bone conduction, cochlear)
- 27. Pain Management services (radiofrequency ablation, implantable pumps, spinal cord stimulator, injections)
- 28. Radiation Therapy Services
- 29. Reconstruction Surgery
- 30. Outpatient Rehab Therapy (physical, occupational, speech, pulmonary)
- 31. TMJ/Orthognathic Surgery
- 32. Transplant Services (Including Pre& Post)
- 33. Transgender Surgery & Services (sexual re-assignment)
- 34. The following outpatient procedures:
 - a) Hyperbaric oxygen
 - b) Sclerotherapy
 - c) Plasma Pheresis (MS)
 - d) Anodyne Therapy
 - e) Sleep Studies
 - f) Vagal Nerve Stimulation
 - g) Hemispherectomy
 - h) Implants
 - i) Pill Endoscopy
 - j) Stab phlebotomy
 - k) Radiofrequency ablation
 - I) Enhanced External Counter pulsation (EECP)
 - m) Resection
 - n) Corpus Colostomy surgery
 - o) Uvulo-palato-pharyngoplasty (UPPP) & laser-assisted UPPP