



Speech Therapy Prior Authorization Clinical Checklist: Adult

***For initial requests- please fill out the ST corePath worksheet or complete the pathway questions for the ability to get a real time decision.**

Continuation of care/On-going requests:

Required Document/Items	Required Information #1	Required Information #2	Required Information #3
<p>Progress Report that includes:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Baseline measures = level of performance at the beginning of the reporting period, with regard to the targeted short-term goals <input type="checkbox"/> Current objective measures = level of achievement/change, since start of care, toward targeted short-term goals <input type="checkbox"/> Updated short-term goals as applicable, with baseline measures 	<p>The review of the plan of care (POC) must include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Progress report evaluating recipient's accomplishments toward a stated goal <input type="checkbox"/> Description of recipient's attitudes and behaviors toward therapy <input type="checkbox"/> Assessment of effectiveness of service provided <input type="checkbox"/> Assessment of recipient's rehabilitation potential <input type="checkbox"/> Modifications to the POC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Dated within the health plan requirements for this current request for treatment and current objective measures for each short-term goal to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Caregiver program/maintenance program plan, as applicable for long-term needs <input type="checkbox"/> Rationale for continued care requiring the skills of a therapist; note that: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The patient's diagnosis may not be the only factor in determining reasonable or necessary care. 2. The patient's need for skilled services must be evident in the documentation. 3. The amount, frequency, and duration of therapy must comply with accepted standards of care as documented by professional guidelines and literature.
<p>Reports from Recommended Additional Assessments that include:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Diagnostic test results 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> If recommended in the Initial POC: professional reports or instrumental evaluations performed (e.g., MBSS, FEES, VFS, etc.) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Information that supports the medical necessity for treatment and follow-up of recommended procedures