Pain Management, Spine Surgery, Joint Surgery Preauthorization for Blue Cross and Blue Shield Medicare

Provider Orientation



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Company Overview





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The industry's most comprehensive clinical evidence-based guidelines



4k⁺ employees including **1k clinicians**

Engaging with 570k⁺ providers

Headquartered in Bluffton, SC Offices across the US including:

- Lexington, MA
 - Colorado Springs, CO Franklin, TN
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- Greenwich, CT
- Melbourne, FL Plainville, CT Sacramento, CA



Advanced, innovative, and intelligent technology



End-to-End Solution on a single integrated platform



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Musculoskeletal Management Solution - Our Experience

30⁺ Regional

and National Clients



10 Years

Managing Radiation Therapy Services





Members Managed

- 25.5M Commercial Memberships
- 2M Medicare Memberships
- 6.5M Medicaid Memberships







Our Clinical Approach

Clinical Staffing



Musculoskeletal physicians on staff



Musculoskeletal-trained nurses on staff



40 Million lives covered

Clinical Platform

Multi-Specialty Expertise

Family Medicine	Oncology/Hematology
Internal Medicine	Surgery
Pediatrics	General
Sports Medicine	OrthopedicThoracic
OB/GYN	CardiacNeurological
Cardiology	OtolaryngologySpine
Nuclear Medicine	Opine
Anesthesiology	Radiology
Radiation Oncology	Nuclear Medicine
Sleep Medicine	MusculoskeletalNeuroradiology

- 260 board-certified medical directors
- Diverse representation of medical specialties
- 800 nurses with diverse specialties and experience
- Dedicated nursing and physician teams by specialty for Cardiology, Oncology, OB-GYN, Spine/Orthopedics, Neurology, and Medical/Surgical

Evidence-Based Guidelines

The foundation of our musculoskeletal solution:



Aligned with National Societies

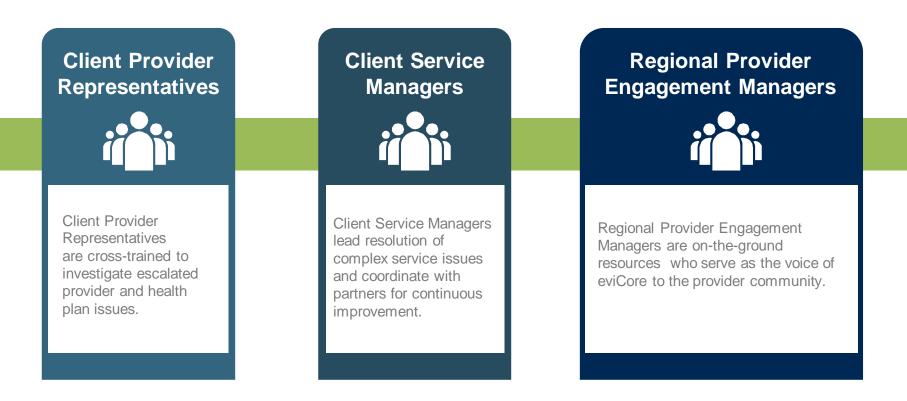
- American Academy of Neurology
- American College of Rheumatology
- American Association of Neurological Surgeons
- American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons
- American Society of Interventional Pain Physicians
- North American Spine Society
- American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine
- American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
- American Association of Hip and Knee Surgeons

- American Pain Society
- Official Disability Guidelines
- Medicare Guidelines
- Spine Intervention Society
- American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons
- The American Orthopedic Society for Sports Medicine
- Cochrane Reviews
- American Physical Therapy Association
- American Chiropractic Association
- American Occupational Therapy Association
- American Speech Language Hearing Association
- American Society of Anesthesiologists

Service Model

Client Provider Operations

The Client Provider Operations team is responsible for high-level service delivery to our health plan clients as well as ordering and rendering providers nationwide



Why Our Service Delivery Model Works

One centralized intake point

allows for timely identification, tracking, trending, and reporting of all issues. It also enables eviCore to quickly identify and respond to systemic issues impacting multiple providers. **Complex issues are escalated**

to resources who are the subject matter experts and can quickly coordinate with matrix partners to address issues at a root-cause level. Routine issues are handled by a <u>team</u> of representatives who are cross trained to respond to a variety of issues. There is no reliance on a single individual to respond to your needs.

Preauthorization Program for Blue Cross and Blue Shield Medicare

Program Overview

eviCore began accepting requests on May 22, 2017 for dates of service June 1, 2017 and beyond.

Preauthorization applies to services that are:

- Outpatient
- Elective / Non-emergent
- Inpatient-initial

eviCore Preauthorization does not apply to services that are performed in:

- Emergency room
- Inpatient-subsequent
- 23-hour observation

It is the responsibility of the ordering provider to request preauthorization approval for services.

Applicable Membership

<u>Preauthorization is required</u> for Blue Cross and Blue Shield members enrolled in the following programs:

- Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois
 - Medicare members
- Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Montana
 - Medicare members
- Blue Cross and Blue Shield of New Mexico
 - Medicare members
- Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Oklahoma
 - Medicare members
- Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas
 - Medicare members

Preauthorization Required:

Joint Surgery-IP & OP

- Large joint replacement
- Arthroscopic and open procedures

Spine Surgery-IP & OP

- Spinal Implants
 - Spinal cord stimulators
 - Pain Pumps
- Cervical/Thoracic/Lumbar
 - Decompressions
 - Fusions

Interventional Pain

- Spinal injections
- Spinal implants
 - Spinal cord stimulators
 - Pain pumps

To find a list of CPT (Current Procedural Terminology) codes that require preauthorization through eviCore, please visit:

https://www.evicore.com/healthplan/bcbs

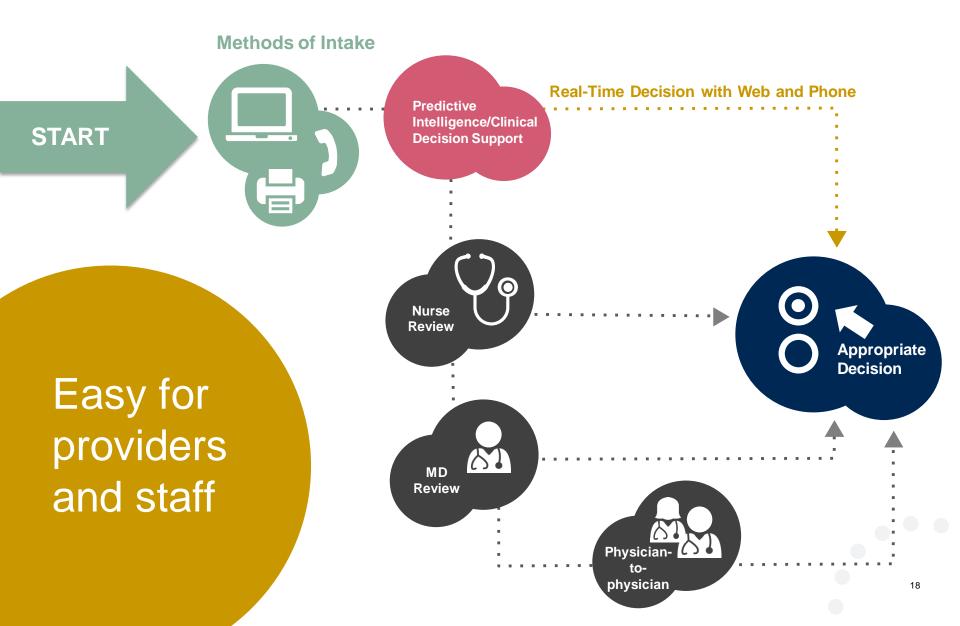
Preauthorization Requests

How to request preauthorization:

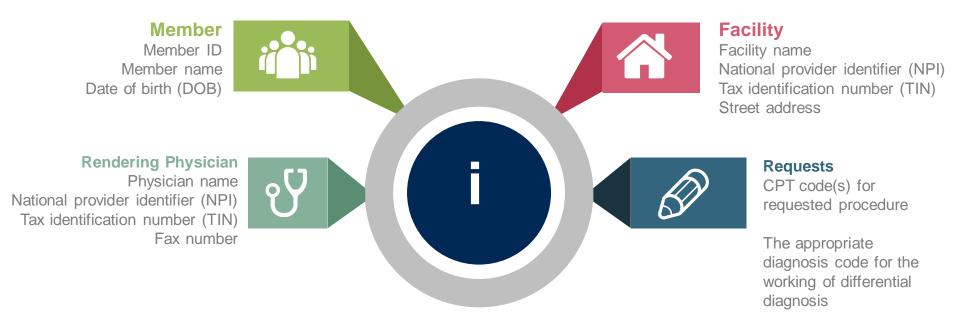


Or by phone: 855-252-1117 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. local time Monday - Friday

Clinical Review Process



Needed Information



If clinical information is needed, please be able to supply:

- · Imaging studies and prior test results related to the diagnosis
- Office notes related to the current diagnosis

Preauthorization Outcomes

Approved Requests:

- Medicare requests are processed within 14 calendar days.
- Authorizations are typically good for 45 days from the date of determination

Delivery:

Denied Requests:

- Faxed to ordering provider and rendering facility. (verbal outreach for urgent requests).
- Mailed to the member, (verbal outreach for urgent requests).
- Information can be printed on demand from the eviCore healthcare Web Portal.
- Communication of denial determination
- Communication of the rationale for the denial
- How to request a Peer Review •

Delivery:

- Faxed to the ordering provider and rendering • facility (verbal outreach for urgent requests).
- Mailed to the member (verbal outreach for urgent requests).

Preauthorization Outcomes



- If your case requires further clinical discussion for approval, we welcome requests for clinical determination discussions from referring physicians prior to a decision being rendered.
- In certain instances, additional information provided during the predecision consultation is sufficient to satisfy the medical necessity criteria for approval.

Special Circumstances

Authorization Appeals

- eviCore will manage first level authorization appeals.
- Authorization appeals must be made in writing within 120 calendar days. eviCore will respond within 30 calendar days.

Outpatient Urgent Services:

- Contact eviCore by phone to request an expedited preauthorization review and provide clinical information.
- Urgent Cases will be reviewed with 72 hours of the request.

Web Portal Services

Portal Compatibility

The eviCore.com website is compatible with the following web browsers:

- Google Chrome
- Mozilla Firefox
- Internet Explorer 9, 10, and 11

You may need to disable pop-up blockers to access the site. For information on how to disable pop-up blockers for any of these web browsers, please refer to our **Disabling Pop-Up Blockers guide**.

eviCore healthcare website

Point web browser to evicore.com

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Click on the "Providers" link •

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Login or Register

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User ID
Password
Remember User ID For log in problems: please try the email address that you registered with as your user name. If you do not remember your password, please click "Password?".
I Agree to <u>HIPAA Disclosure!</u>
LOGIN
Forgot UserName Password? Register
This website is compatible with Internet Explorer 9, 10, 11, Mozilla Firefox and Google Chrome

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Creating An Account

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Select <u>CareCore National</u> or <u>MedSolutions</u> as the <u>Default Portal</u>, and complete the user registration form.

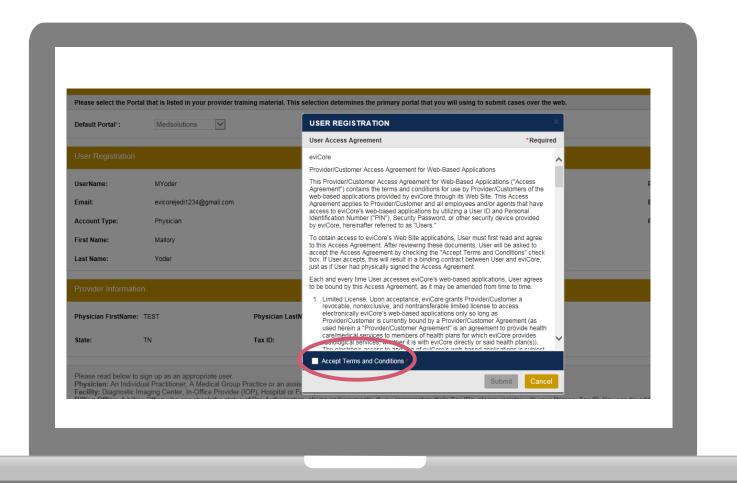
Please note: For the MedSolutions portal, you will also need to select the appropriate Account Type: Facility, Physician, Billing Office, and Health Plan.

Creating An Account

Web Portal Prefe								
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Email:	evicorejedi1234@gmail.com			City:	Franklin		Ext:	
Account Type:	Physician			State:	TN	Zip: 37067	Fax:	615-468-4408
First Name:	Mallory			Office Name:	eviCore			
Provider Informat	ion							
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Review information provided, and click "Submit Registration."

User Registration-Continued



Accept the Terms and Conditions, and click "Submit."

User Registration-Continued



You will receive a message on the screen confirming your registration is successful. You will be sent an email to create your password.

Create a Password

Your password must be at least (8) characters long and contain the following:

Uppercase letters

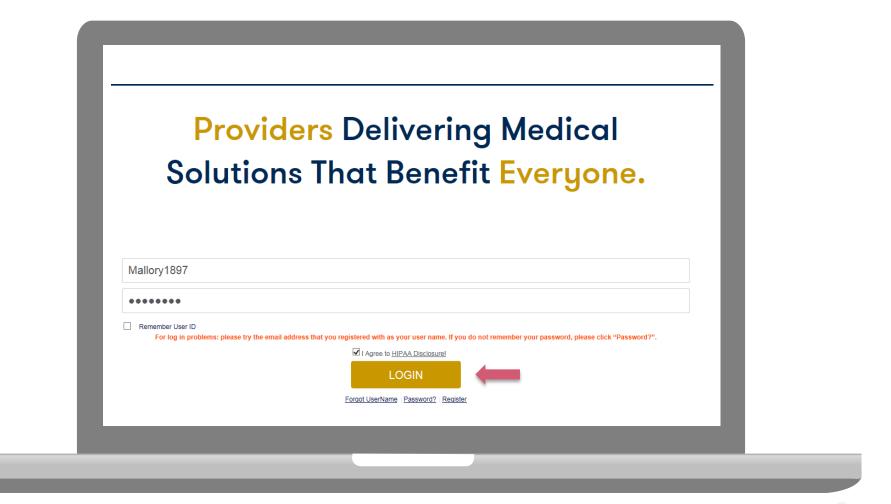
Lowercase letters

Numbers



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Password Maintenance	
Please set up a new password fer your account. Note: The password must be at least 8 characters long and contains the following categories : Uppercase letters, Lowercase letters, Numbers and special characters	
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New Password" Please enter New Password	
Confirm New Password*	
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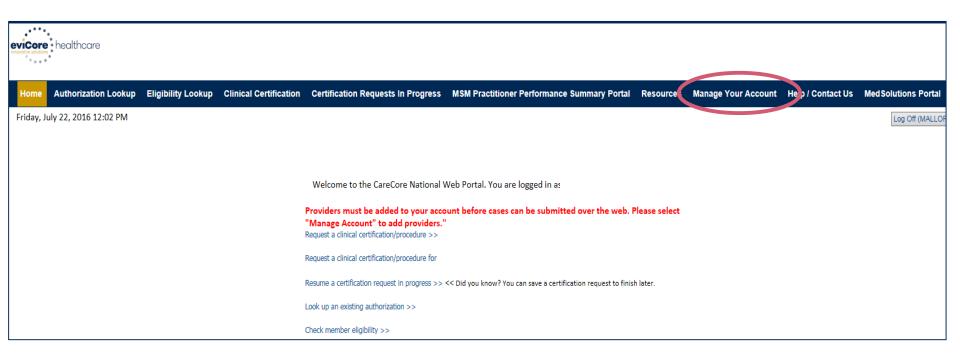
Account Log-In



To log-in to your account, enter your User ID and Password. Agree to the HIPAA Disclosure, and click "Login."

Account Overview

Welcome Screen



Providers will need to be added to your account prior to case submission. Click the "Manage Account" tab to add provider information.

<u>Note</u>: You can access the MedSolutions Portal at any time if you are registered. Click the MedSolutions Portal button on the top right corner to seamlessly toggle back and forth between the two portals without having to log-in multiple accounts.

Add Practitioners

Manage `	Your Account	
Office Name:	Change Password Edit Account	
Address:	730 Cool Springs Blvd Franklin, TN 37067	
Primary Contact: Use Email Address Add Provide	s: Test@email.com	
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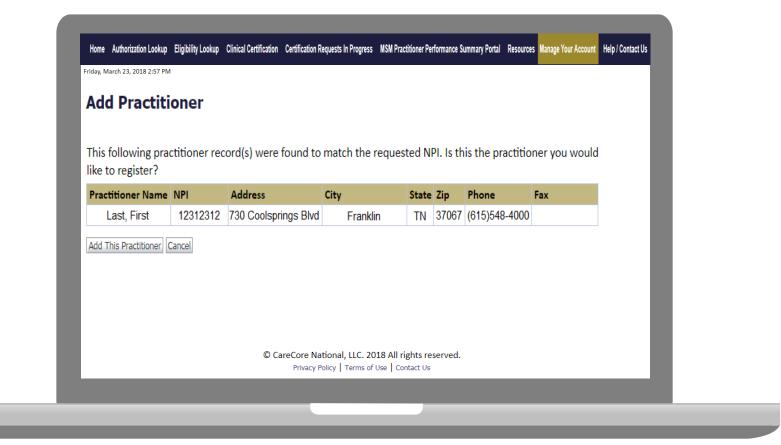
Click the "Add Provider" button.

Add Practitioners

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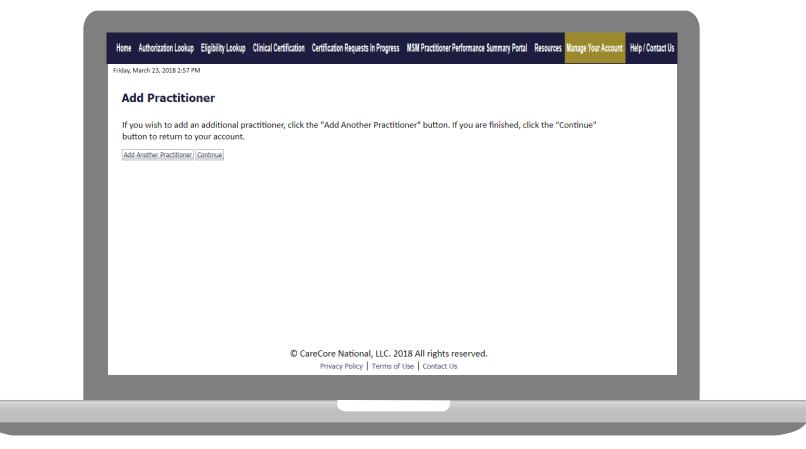
Enter the Provider's NPI, State, and Zip Code to search for the provider record to add to your account. You are able to add multiple Providers to your account.

Adding Practitioners



Select the matching record based upon your search criteria

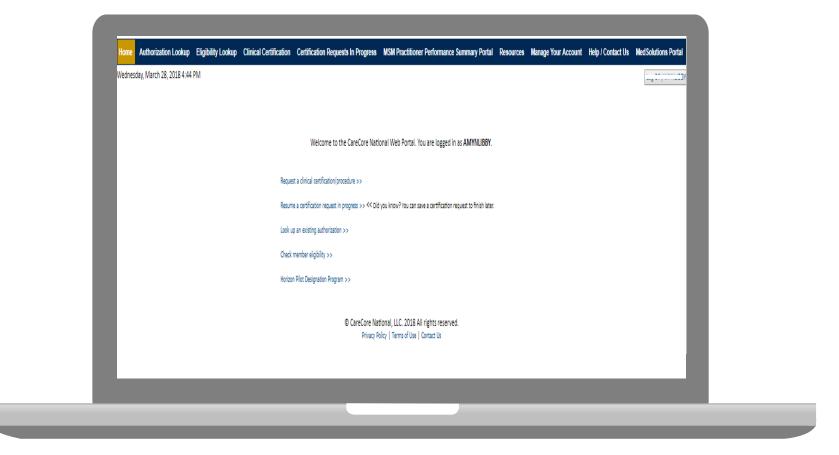
Manage Your Account



- Once you have selected a practitioner, your registration will be completed. You can then access the "Manage Your Account" tab to make any necessary updates or changes.
- You can also click "Add Another Practitioner" to add another provider to your account.

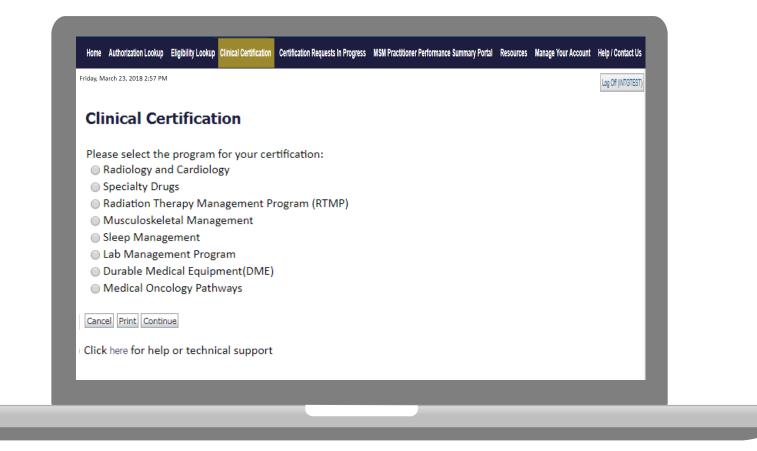
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Case Initiation



Choose "request a clinical certification/procedure" to begin a new case request.

Select Program



Select the **Program** for your certification.

Select Provider

Filter Last Name or NPI: Selected Physician: Last, First NPI 1234567890 Cancel Back Print Continue Click here for help or technical support	10% Complete	or NPI: Selected Physician: Last, First NPI 1234567890 Cancel Back Print Continue
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Select the **Practitioner/Group** for whom you want to build a case.

Select Health Plan

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20% Complete	Clinical Certification
20% complete	To process an urgent case on the web you will be required to upload relevant clinical information using the online clinical upload feature at the end of the case build process. Click here for more information!
	You selected
	Please select the health plan for which you would like to build a case. If the health plan is not shown, please contact the plan at the number found on the member's identification card to determine if case submission through CareCore National is necessary.
	Please Select a Health Plan
	Cancel Back Print Continue
	Click here for help or technical support

Choose the appropriate Health Plan for the case request. If the health plan does not populate, please contact the plan at the number found on the member's identification card. Once the plan is chosen, please select the provider address in the next drop down box.

Contact Information

	Clinical Cer	tification		
30% Complete	Provider's Name	[?]		
Provider and NPI	Who to Contact	eviCore [?]		
	Fax	(999) 999-9999 [?]		
	Phone	(999) 999-9999 [?]		
	Ext.	[?]		
	Cell Phone			
	Email	Test@test.com		
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Enter the Provider's name and appropriate information for the point of contact individual.

Member Information

	Clinical Certification
40% Complete	Patient ID:
Provider and NPI	Date Of Birth:
	Patient Last Name Only: [?]
	IF THIS IS A MEDICAID MEMBER, PLEASE USE THE MEMBER'S MEDICAID ID ELIGIBILITY LOOKUP
	Cancel Back Print
	Click here for help or technical support

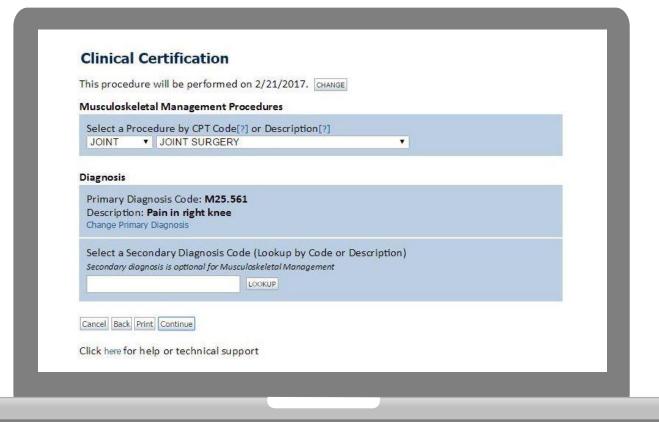
Enter the member information including the Patient ID number, date of birth, and patient's last name. Click "Eligibility Lookup."

Member/Procedure Information

Clinical Certification	Attention!		_
Patient ID:	Patient ID: Patient Name:	Time:	
Date Of Birth: Patient Last Name Only:	[?] Has this procedure been performe	ed?	
CLEAR PATIENT SELECTION	YES NO		
Patient Email			
Cancel Back Print Continue Click here for help or technical support			

Verify if the procedure has already been performed.

Clinical Details



Verify Service Selection

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Patient	Primary Diagnosis:	Pain in left shoulder
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	Secondary Diagnosis:	
and the second se	Change Procedure or Primary D	iagnosis
	Change Secondary Diagnosis	
	Cancel Back Print Continue	
	Click here for help or techni	ical support

Site Selection

	Clinical Certification
80% Complete	Specific Site Search Use the fields below to search for specific sites. For best results, search by NPI or TIN. Other search options are by name plus zip or name plus city. You may search a partial site name by entering some portion of the name and we will provide you the site names that most closely match your entry.
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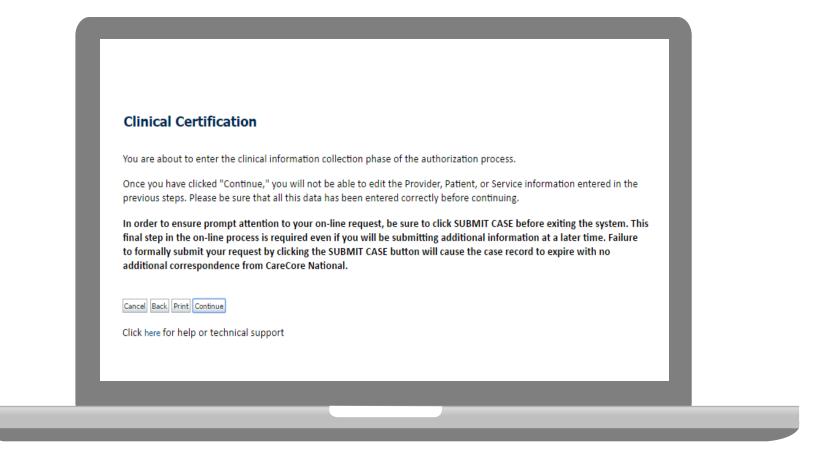
Select the specific site where the testing/treatment will be performed.

Site Selection

Clinical Certification Selected Site: FIND NEW SITE Site Email (optional)	
Cancel Back Print Continue	

Confirm the site selection.

Clinical Certification



- Verify all information entered and make any needed changes prior to moving into the clinical collection phase of the prior authorization process.
- You will not have the opportunity to make changes after that point.

Contact Information

Select an Urgency Indicator and Upload your patient's relevant medical records that support your request.

If your request is urgent select No, if the case is standard select Yes.



You can upload up to **FIVE documents** in .doc, .docx, or .pdf format. Your case will only be considered Urgent if there is a successful upload.

Pause/Save Option

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Clinical Certification		
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Upper Back - Thoracic Spine Lower Back - Lumbar Spine		
Upper Extremity Lower Extremity		
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You can save a certification		
request to finish later.		
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Once you have entered the clinical collection phase of the case process, you can save the information and return within (2) business days to complete.

Medical Review

Is there any a is the any a	additional information specific to the member's condition you would like to provide?	_
Enter text in th	e space provided below or continue.	
Additional In	formation - Notes:	
SUBMIT	You can save a certification	
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If additional information is required, you will have the option to either free hand text in the additional information box, or you can mark Yes to additional info and click submit to bring you to the upload documentation page. Providing clinical information via the web is the quickest, most efficient method.

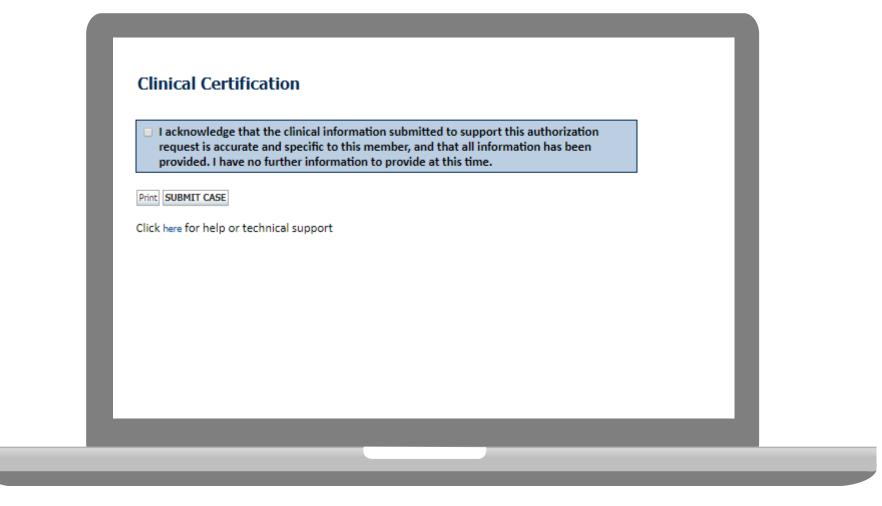
Medical Review

Clinical Upload			
Please upload any additional clinical information that	t justifies the medical necessity of this	request.	
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If additional information is required, you will have the option to either free hand text in the additional information box, or you can mark Yes to additional info and click submit to bring you to the upload documentation page.

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Medical Review



Acknowledge the Clinical Certification statements, and hit "Submit Case."

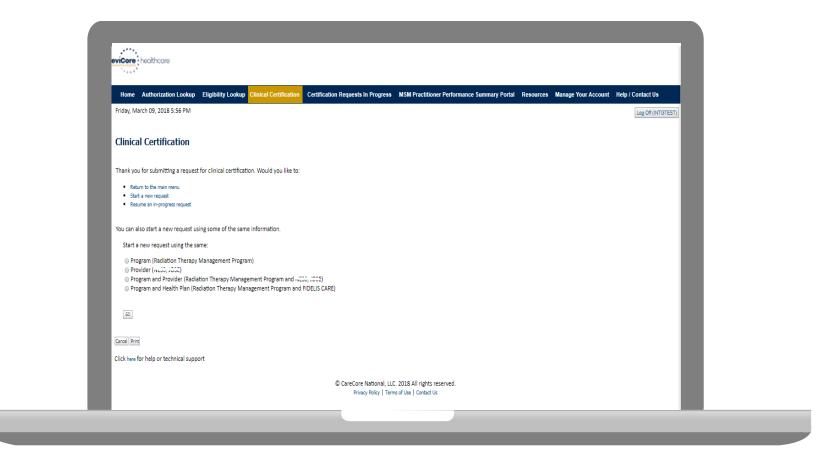
Approval

Your case has been	n Approved.		
Provider Name:		Contact:	
Provider Address:		Phone Number:	
		Fax Number:	
Patient Name:	1	Patient Id:	1
Insurance Carrier:	-		
Site Name:		Site ID:	
Site Address:			
Site Address: Primary Diagnosis Code:	M25.562	Description:	Pain in left knee
Primary Diagnosis	00,797,027,03	Description: Description:	Pain in left knee
Primary Diagnosis Code: Secondary Diagnosis Code:	00,797,027,03		Pain in left knee
Primary Diagnosis Code: Secondary Diagnosis	1		Pain in left knee MRI LOWER EXTREMITY JOINT W/O
Primary Diagnosis Code: Secondary Diagnosis Code: Date of Service:	Not provided	Description:	MRI LOWER EXTREMITY
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Once the clinical pathway questions are completed and if the answers have met the clinical criteria, an approval will be issued.

Print the screen and store in the patient's file.

Building Additional Cases



Once a case has been submitted for clinical certification, you can return to the Main Menu, resume an in-progress request, or start a new request. You can indicate if any of the previous case information will be needed for the new request.

Authorization look up

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			Auth/Case Number:	1	
Patient ID:	1		Search		
Patient Date of Birth:					
	MM/DD/YYYY				
OPTIONAL FIELDS					
Case Number:					

- Select Search by Authorization Number/NPI. Enter the provider's NPI and authorization or case number. Select Search.
- You can also search for an authorization by Member Information, and enter the health plan, Provider NPI, patient's ID number, and patient's date of birth.

Authorization Status

Authorization	Lookup	
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Click here for help or	technical support	

The authorization will then be accessible to review. To print authorization correspondence, select View Correspondence.

Eligibility Look Up



Home	Authorization Lookup	Eligibility Lookup	Clinical Certification	Certification Requests In Progress	MSM Practitioner Performance Summary Portal	Resources	Manage Your Account	Help / Contact Us
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Eligibility Lookup

New Security Features Implemented

Health Plan:	
Patient ID:	
Member Code:	
Cardiology Eligibility:	Medical necessity determination required.
Radiology Eligibility:	Precertification is Required
Radiation Therapy Eligibility:	Medical necessity determination required.
MSM Pain Mgt Eligibility:	Precertification is Required
Sleep Management Eligibility	Medical necessity determination required.

Print Done Search Again

Click here for help or technical support

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You may also confirm the patient's eligibility by selecting the Eligibility Lookup tab.

Provider Resources



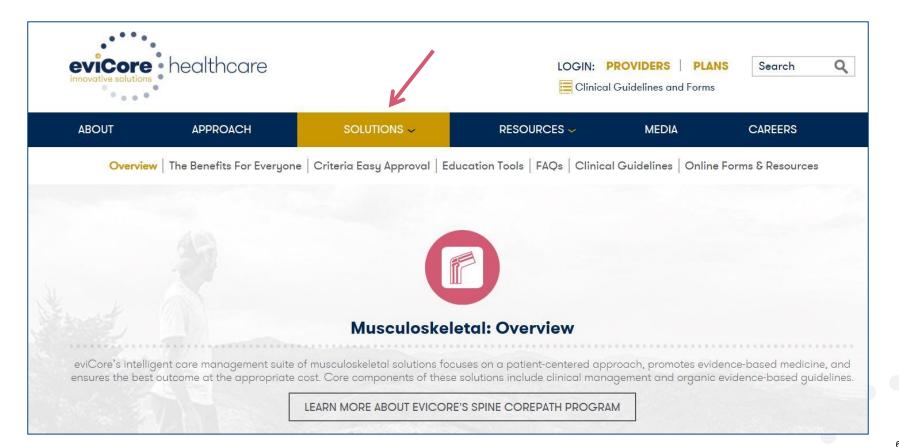




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Musculoskeletal Online Resources

Clinical Guidelines, FAQ's, Online Forms, and other important resources can be accessed at <u>www.evicore.com</u>. Click "Solutions" from the menu bar, and select the specific program needed.



eviCore Provider Blog Series

- The eviCore blog series focuses on making processes more efficient and easier to understand by providing helpful tips on how to navigate preauthorizations, avoid peer-to-peer phone calls, and utilize our clinical guidelines.
- You can access the blog publications from the Media tab or via the direct link at https://www.evicore.com/pages/media.aspx.

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Provider Resources: Preauthorization Call Center



Pre-Certification Call Center







Documents

7:00 AM - 7:00 PM (Local Time): 855-252-1117

- Obtain preauthorization or check the status of an existing case
- Discuss questions regarding authorizations and case decisions
- Change facility or CPT Code(s) on an existing case

Provider Resources: Web-Based Services



Pre-Certification Call Center







Documents

www.evicore.com

To speak with a Web Specialist, call (800) 646-0418 (Option #2) or email portal.support@evicore.com.

- Request authorizations and check case status online 24/7
- Pause/Start feature to complete initiated cases
- Upload electronic PDF/word clinical documents

Provider Resources: Client Provider Operations



Pre-Certification Call Center



Client Provider Operations



Documents

clientservices@evicore.com

- Eligibility issues (member, rendering facility, and/or ordering physician)
- Issues experienced during case creation
- Request for an authorization to be re-sent to the health plan

Provider Resources: Implementation Document



Pre-Certification Call Center





Do	cuments

Provider Enrollment Questions Contact your Provider Network Consultant for more information

Blue Cross and Blue Shield Implementation site - includes all implementation documents:

https://www.evicore.com/healthplan/bcbs

- CPT code list of the procedures that require preauthorization
- Quick Reference Guide
- eviCore clinical guidelines
- FAQ documents and announcement letters

You can obtain a copy of this presentation on the implementation site listed above. If you are unable to locate a copy of the presentation, please contact the Client Provider Operations team at <u>ClientServices@evicore.com</u>.

Thank You!

