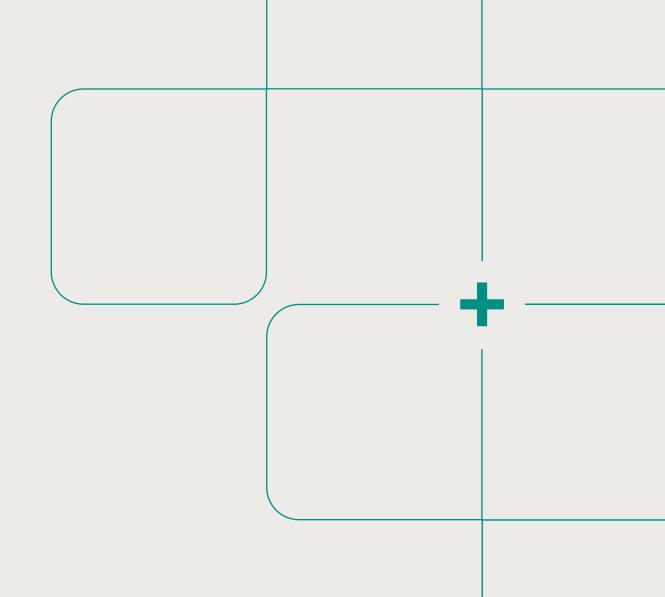
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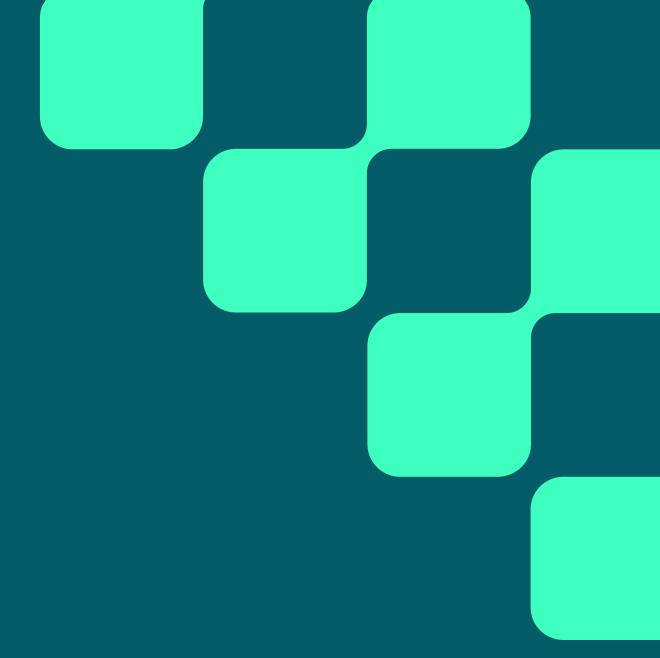
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Self-Service Peer-to-Peer Scheduling Tool



Solution Overview





Health Partners Plans Prior Authorization Services

Applicable Membership:

Medicaid

Prior authorization applies to the following services:

- Physical Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Speech Therapy

Prior authorization from EviCore does NOT apply to services performed in:

- Emergency Rooms
- Observation Services
- Inpatient Stays



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



Evidence-Based Guidelines

The Foundation of Our Solutions







Aligned with National Societies

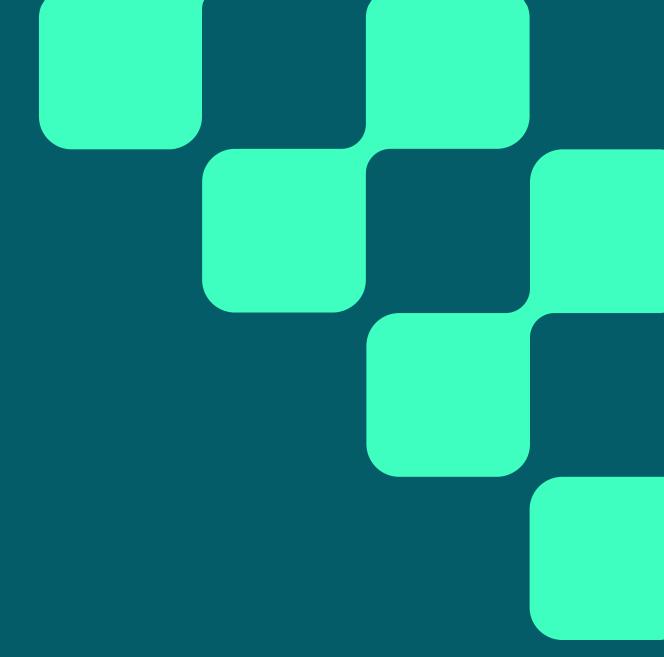
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- American College of Gastroenterology
- American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics
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- American Physical Therapy Association
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- American Thyroid Association
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- Centers for Disease Control
- College of American Pathologists
- Endocrine Society
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Submitting Requests



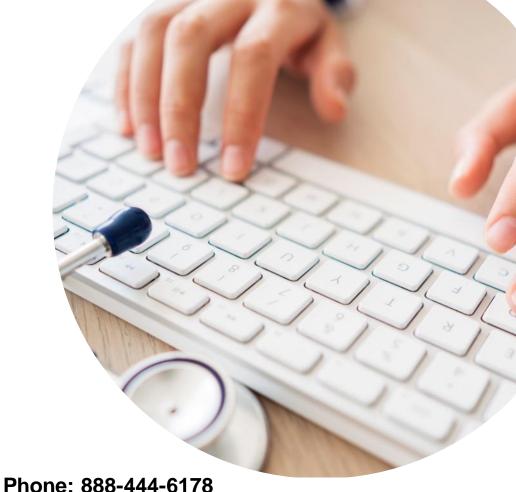


How to Request Prior Authorization

The EviCore Provider Portal is the easiest, most efficient way to request clinical reviews and check status.

- Save time: Quicker process than requests by phone or fax.
- Available 24/7.
- Save your progress: If you need to step away, you can save your progress and resume later.
- **Upload additional clinical information**: No need to fax supporting clinical documentation, it can be uploaded on the portal.
- View and print determination information: Check case status in real time.
- Dashboard: View all recently submitted cases.
- E-notification: Opt to receive email notifications when there is a change to case status.
- Duplication feature: If you are submitting more than one request, you can duplicate information to expedite submissions.

To access the EviCore Provider Portal, visit **EviCore.com/provider**



Monday – Friday
7AM – 7PM (local time)

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Clinical Pathway

- Simplified approach to clinical collection attempting to reduce administrative efforts for providers.
- Improves the ability to receive a real time decision when submitting a request via the web or phone.
- "Gets out of the way" of providers who are practicing efficiently and effectively.
- Adds quality measures via inclusion of patient reported functional outcomes.
- Uses data collected over the years from claims data (managed and unmanaged) to set the average number of visits for a condition.
- Acknowledges complexities that may require a greater frequency or intensity of care.
- Allows providers to provide additional information for cases that are not "average."



Pathway Questions

- Questions are included in the pathway to help EviCore create a case correctly.
- For example, you may be asked questions about the site (location) of the service.
 - Reason Prior authorization may not be required for some sites of service.
 - Example Emergency Department, Inpatient Services.
- Is the care requested following a mastectomy?
 - Should present only when the request is for a cervical or upper extremity condition.
 - Presents for both males and females since mastectomy applies to both.
 - There is a federal mandate related to post-mastectomy care.



Medical Necessity

- There must be high-quality research supporting chiropractic treatment as a specific and effective treatment for the patient's condition.
- The condition is expected to improve significantly in a reasonable and generally predictable period of time. Treatment
 duration should <u>not</u> be ongoing without end.
- The amount, frequency, and length of the services must be reasonable under accepted standards of practice.
 - For these purposes, "generally accepted standards of practice" means standards that are based on credible evidence published in peer-reviewed literature or specialty society recommendations.
- The medical benefit is designed to allow treatment to return the patient to essential activities of daily living.
 - It was <u>not</u> designed to allow continued treatment to return to recreational or athletic activities.
 - It was <u>not</u> designed to cover acupuncture for the purpose of improving or maintaining general fitness.

You can view the chiropractic guidelines at https://www.EviCore.com/provider/clinical-guidelines



Requesting Authorization

- For the first request:
 - Evaluate the member before you request prior authorization.
 - Evaluation codes do <u>not</u> require prior authorization.
 - Submit your request within 7 calendar days of the requested start date.
- If additional care is needed:
 - You may submit your request as early as 7 calendar days prior to the requested start date.
 - This allows time for the request to be reviewed and prevents a gap in care.
 - Remember to provide complete, current clinical information including patient reported functional outcome measures.

Note: Requests with a start date of > than 7 days in the future will not be accepted. If the member is away from treatment, reassess the condition once treatment has resumed. This allows you to provide current information to allow EviCore to determine medical necessity of ongoing treatment.



Timely Filing

- Health Partners Plans allows providers to evaluate and treat at the initial visit.
- The evaluation code does <u>not</u> require prior authorization, but treatment does.
- If treatment is provided during the evaluation visit, you have **7 calendar days** from the date of service to submit your request for authorization for the initial treatment.
- Authorization for treatment beyond the initial visit must be requested prior to providing care.
- Retrospective requests will be accepted up to 180 calendar days. Please note that any cases after this
 timeframe will be expired.



Insufficient Clinical | Additional Documentation Needed

Additional Documentation to Support Medical Necessity

If during case build all required pieces of documentation are not received, or are insufficient for EviCore to reach a determination, the following will occur:

A Hold Letter will be faxed to the Requesting Provider requesting additional documentation

The hold notification will inform the provider about what clinical information is needed as well as the **date by** which it is needed.

The Provider must submit the additional information to EviCore

Requested information must be received within the timeframe as specified in the hold letter or EviCore will render a determination based on the original submission. EviCore will review the additional documentation and reach a determination

Determination notifications will be sent.





Tips to Improve Efficiency

Medical Necessity and Patient-Focused Care

The member's needs determine medical necessity.

- The member's clinical presentation and specific needs are the primary factors considered when determining medical necessity.
- The provider's prescription for treatment frequency and duration does not demonstrate medical necessity.

Review medical necessity regularly.

- The member's response to care should be evaluated each visit to allow modification of the treatment plan based on the member's current status
- Complete a review of continuing medical necessity at least every **30 days**. This allows you to assess how the member is responding to treatment.
- Clinical documentation should include the member's response to care, functional improvement, and remaining functional deficits.
- Consider whether the skills of a provider are still necessary and, if it is, identify the specific interventions that require that skill.



Tips to Improve Efficiency

Scheduling Visits

Members have different needs.

Evaluate and determine each member's specific needs. Members with the same or similar diagnoses have different needs based on their own circumstances. Avoid following "cookbook" protocols.

Once or twice a week may work.

Many members do not need treatment three times a week. Members may be seen once or twice a week as they work toward their goals following their comprehensive home program.

Let progress determine frequency.

Do not schedule an entire series of visits at a set frequency. Instead, determine the date of the member's next visit based on the member's progress after each visit. Set goals for the member's next visit during each treatment appointment.

Decrease frequency during strengthening and stretching phase.

Strengthening and stretching take time. After instructing the member in a strengthening and/or flexibility home program, allow time for the member to work on the exercises. The intensity of care should be decreased during this phase. Often the member needs to be seen only once or twice a week to update the home program.



Authorization decisions include:

- **Visits** These represent the total number of visits that can be billed over the approved period.
- **Units*** These represent the total number of CPT codes that can be billed over the approved period.
- **Approved Time Period**
 - **Example** 4 visits, 16 units
 - **Units example** $(98940 + 98943) \times 4 = 4 \text{ visits}, 8 \text{ units}$

Tip!!! Spread the units over the approved period to prevent a gap in care.



^{*}Dependent upon health plan.

Treating Multiple Conditions

- If you are treating multiple conditions within the same period, there is no need to request authorization for treatment for each condition.
- The authorization covers all conditions treated within the same period of time.
- If you are treating more than 1 condition, advise EviCore to ensure adequate care is approved.
 - When submitting by the web, you will be asked if you are treating a second condition.
 - Answer "Yes," then report information specific to the second condition.
 - When requesting authorization over the phone, inform the agent that you are requesting authorization for two conditions.
 - If submitting by fax, complete clinical worksheets for both conditions.



Duplicate Care

- EviCore will approve care by two different providers within the same period only when it is medically necessary.
- If the condition being treated is the same and the member has not discontinued care with their original provider, the request for duplicate care may be denied.



Date extensions are available if you are unable to use all visits within the approved period.

- Extend for the period that is needed up to a maximum of 30 days.
- The extension must be requested prior to the expiration of the authorization.

Extensions can be requested by the following methods:

- By phone at 888-444-6178
- Online at www.EviCore.com

Attention!

Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech Therapy, Massage Therapy, Chiropractic Care, and Acupuncture services are eligible for case duplication and date extensions. Are you requesting one of these services?

Date Extension

Continuing Care

Continue to Build a New Case

Requests for Spine Surgery, Joint Replacement, Arthroscopy, and Pain Management, please select "Continue to Build a New Case"



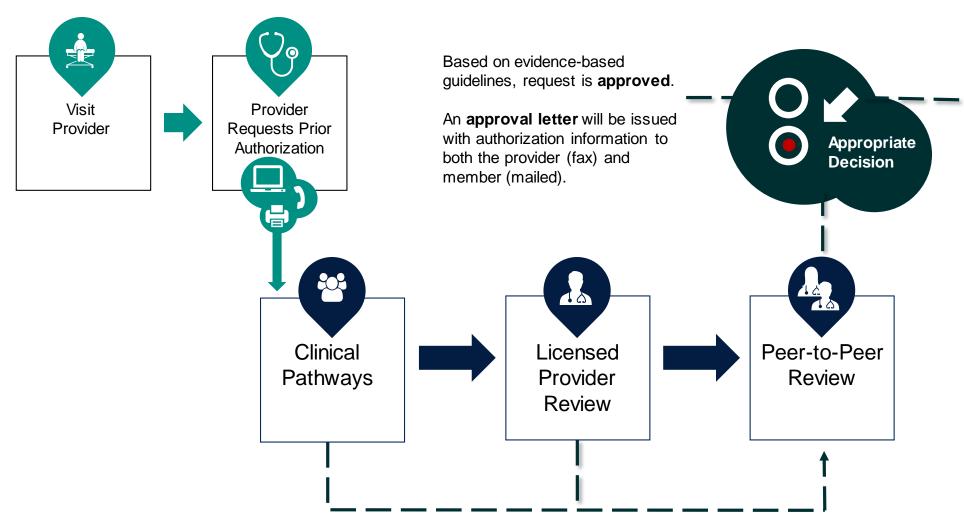
Submitting an initial request via EviCore's Provider Portal

- Submit your request within 7 days of the requested start date.
- Start date for the request should be the date you want the authorization to begin.

Submitting for continued care via EviCore's Provider Portal

- You may submit your request as early as 7 days prior to the requested start date.
- The start date should be after the existing authorization expires.
- Remember to provide complete, current clinical information.
- Note: Requests with a start date of > than 7 days in the future will not be accepted. If the member is away from treatment, reassess the condition once treatment has resumed. This allows you to provide current information to allow EviCore to determine medical necessity of ongoing care.

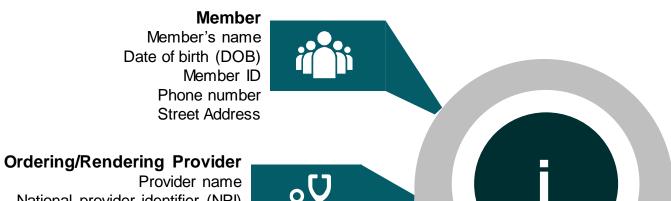




Based on evidence-based guidelines, request is **denied**.

A **denial letter** will be issued with appeal rights to both the provider and member, with clinical rational for decision.

Information Required for Request



Requests

Select **CHIRO** for requested services.

The appropriate diagnosis code (ICD10) for the working or differential diagnosis.

Provider name
National provider identifier (NPI)
Tax identification number (TIN)
Fax/Phone number
Street Address

Clinical information needed for requests:

- Patient's subjective complaints, objective examination findings, and quantified measures of function.
- Baseline clinical information from the initial evaluation.
- Current clinical information from follow-up visit.
- Provider's impression of the member's response to treatment (follow-up visits).
- Information from patient-reported functional outcome measures, progress notes, and/or clinical worksheets.
- Complexities that will impact the therapy plan of care.



Prior Authorization Process | Clinical Information

Clinical Information – What EviCore needs and why we need it:

- Clinical information is required to determine whether the services requested are medically necessary.
- Use clinical worksheets located at EviCore.com as a guide to determine what clinical information is required.
 - The clinical worksheets are specific to conditions and designed to assist with the submission of the patient and provider information for medical necessity review.
 - Worksheets should be used as a guide for questions the provider will be prompted to answer when completing the online requests.
 - These worksheets should be completed by the provider during the initial consultation/evaluation and treatment planning, collecting the clinical information to allow for ease of submission.
 - Chiropractic, physical therapy, and occupational therapy requests have the ability for a real time decision for the first **two (2)** requests for an episode of care.
- Be prepared to provide patient-reported functional outcome measures with your submission (for example: ODI, NDI, DASH/QuickDASH, LEFS, HOOS JR, KOOS JR).
- Clinical information should be current typically something collected within 14 days prior of the request.
- Missing or incomplete clinical information will delay case processing.



Link to Clinical Worksheets | Chiropractic Services

Start at EviCore.com. click on Resources. 🧘 Login Resources **PROVIDER RESOURCES** From the Resources dropdown, select **Clinical Worksheets**. Clinical Worksheets Select Musculoskeletal: **Therapies**. Musculoskeletal: Therapies Search by health plan name to view clinical worksheets. Adobe PDF Reader is required to view clinical worksheets documents. Enter **Health Plan** name in the search field. If you would like to view all eviCore core worksheets, please type in "eviCore healthcare" as your health plan. Search by Health Plan ... Chiropractic The Chiropractic worksheets will be listed under the **Chiropractic** header.



Chiropractic Worksheets (found HERE)

I I	EviCore By EVERNORTH Musculoskeletal Program: Chiropractic, Physical Therapy, and Occupational Therapy Intake Form Required for all MSK Conditions (Including Hand & Pelvic Pain) Please use this fax form for NON-URGENT requests only. Failure to provide all relevant information may delay the determination. Phone and fax numbers may be found on ev/Core.com under the Guidelines and Forms section. You may also log into the provider portal located on the site to submit an authorization request. URGENT (same day) REQUESTS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY PHONE					
Pre	vious Reference/Auth Numb	per (If Continued Care):		Date of	of Submission:	
Ser	vice Type Requested:	Physical Therapy	Occupational	Therapy Chi	iropractic	
Plac	ce of Service:					
	First Name:	MI:		Last Name:		
L	Member ID:	DOB (mm/dd/	yyyy):	G	ender: Male	Female
H	Street Address:				Apt #:	
PATIENT	City:		State	9:	Zip:	
₫.	Home Phone:	Cell Phone:		Pi	rimary: Home	☐ Cell
	Member Health Plan/Insure	er:				
.: B	I agree that the Ordering	g Physician on this case is a reg	istered MD, DO,	PA, or NP 🔲 Y	'es □No	
PA Health Plans ONLY :	First Name:		Last Name:			
2 8	Primary Specialty:	TIN:	:	NPI:		
E C	Physician Phone:		Physician Fax	:		
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2 6	Office Contact:	E	xt:	Email:		
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	Code	Description	Code		Description	
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Start Date for this Request: Is this request for fabricating a splint/orthotic or developing a home exercise program only?						
ST	Primary Treatment Area:					
Ž	Spine:	Cervical / Upper Thoracic		cic / Lumbosacral		
M	Upper Extremity:	Shoulder / Arm	Elbow / Wris	t / Forearm	☐ Hand	
Ā	Lower Extremity:	Hip / Thigh	☐ Knee		Ankle / Foot / Leg	
	Other:	Pelvic Pain / Incontinence				
	Scondary Treatment Area: Choose only one. No second area being treated Spine: Cervical / Upper Thoracic Lower Thoracic / Lower Thoracic / Lower Thoracic					
	Spine: Upper Extremity:	Cervical / Upper Thoracic Shoulder / Arm				
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	Lower Extremity:	Hip / Thigh Pelvic Pain / Incontinence	☐ Knee		Ankle / Foot / Leg	

Mer	mber Name:	Member ID:	Provider Name:				
	Date of initial evaluation: Date of current findings:						
	Previous Treatment						
		Has the member been treated for any other condition in the past 6 months?					
	Spine: Cervic	cal / Upper Thoracic	horacic / Lumbosacral				
	Upper Extremity: Shoul	der / Arm Elbow / \	Wrist / Forearm Hand				
	Lower Extremity: Hip / 1	Thigh	Ankle / Foot / Leg				
	Other: Pelvio	Pain / Incontinence Neurologic/I	Developmental Condition Lymphedema Vestibular				
	Please ONLY complete the following section(s) based upon the Treatment Area(s) selected above. Information specific to the Primary Treatment Area MUST be completed.						
		A: Cervical / Upper Thoracic					
	Post-Surgical Care: Yes	☐ No If yes, Date of Surge					
o	Surgery Type: Decompre		☐ Fusion ☐ Total Disc Replacement ☐ Other				
2	Com	plete the following section for initial OR	follow-up care as appropriate				
2		Initial	Follow-Up				
CERVICAL / UPPER THORACIC	Functional Assessment Used	Neck Disability Index score (NDI) (0-1 Other/No Functional Assessment:	00%) FOTO Neck (Focus on Therapeutic Outcomes)				
E	Neck Disability Index score (NDI):		Current Initial score				
UPP	Weakness, sensory changes or radiating pain below elbow:	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No				
7	Number of episodes in past 3 yrs:	123≥4N/A	N/A - Leave Blank for Follow-Up Request				
X							
Ĭ	Has pt. responded as expected?	N/A - Leave Blank for Initial Request	Yes No (Indicate the reason below) "Overdid" activities/exercise causing increase in				
CER		N/A – Leave Blank for Initial Request	symptoms Progression of symptoms despite treatment Suffered a new injury resulting in significant change				
			☐ Unable to complete clinical visits/home program ☐ Patient is post-surgery with signs of infection				
			Trailerit is post-surgery with signs of infection				
	TREATMENT AREA: Upper Extremity (All Conditions) Side(s): Left Right Bilateral						
	Post-Surgical Care: Yes If yes, Indicate Type of Surgery from	No If yes, Date of Surg	ery:				
_	Shoulder/Arm Rotator Cuff		Biceps/SLAP Repair Instability Fracture/ORIF				
SS	Shoulder/Airii Rolator Cult Total Shoulder Bloeps/SLAP Repair I instability Practitie/ORIP						
2	Elbow / Wrist Tendon Repair/Debridement Ligament Re		☐ Fracture/ORIF ☐ Carpal Tunnel Release				
F	/ Forearm / Other Nerve Pro	ocedure	☐ Debridement/Infection ☐ Osteochondral/Microfracture				
Z	Hand MUA	☐ Post-mastectomy	Other				
JPPER EXTREMITY (ALL CONDITIONS)	Complete the following section below for initial OR follow-up care as appropriate						
MITY	Functional Assessment Used:	DASH (0-100) QuickDASH Other/No Functional Assessment	(0-100) FOTO Shoulder FOTO Elbow/Wrist/Hand				
2		Initial	Follow-Up				
×	Enter Score:		Current score Initial score				
- E	More than 3 blank answers? Shoulder / Elbow:	Yes No	N/A – Leave Blank for Follow-Up Request				
Ä	Does your patient demonstrate	Loss of 15 degrees or more of elbov Recurrent subluxation/dislocation of					
Ь	(choose all that apply)	Measurable (less than 4/5) weakness					
_		Measurable (less than 4/5) weakness of shoulder joint in at least 2 of the following motions (Abduction, Flexion, External Rotation, Extension)					
		Shoulder flexion OR abduction less than 120 degrees					
		Fracture of humeral head, greater tubercle, OR olecranon process Patient has post-surgery swelling of Grade 2 or more (moderate)					
		Patient has post-surgery swelling of Grade 2 or more (moderate) None of the above					
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Chiropractic Worksheets (found HERE)

Mer	mber Name:	Member ID:	Provider Name:				
	HAND/WRIST ONLY: Does your patient demonstrate (choose all that apply) Patient responded as expected?	Crush injury OR fracture of distal radius or olecranon Total active range of motion of the thumb less than 100 degrees Total active range of motion of any other finger less than 130 degrees Post-surgical or post-traumatic swelling of grade 2 or more (moderate) None of the above N/A - Leave Blank for Initial Request "Overdid" activities causing increase in symptoms					
		N/A – Leave Blank for Initial Request	Progression of symptoms despite treatment Suffered a new injury resulting in significant change Unable to participate in clinical visits/home program Patient is post-surgery with signs of infection				
_	Please ONLY complete the following section(s) based upon the Treatment Area(s) selected. Information specific to the Primary Treatment Area MUST be completed. TREATMENT AREA: Lower Thoracic / Lumbosacral						
Ш							
AL	Surgery Type:	s □ No If yes, Date of Surge compression □ Discectomy icture/ORIF □ Scoliosis/Deformi	☐ Fusion ☐ Total Disc Replacement				
8	Com	plete the following section for initial OR	follow-up care as appropriate				
THORACIC / LUMBOSACRAL	Functional Assessment Used: Oswestry Disability Index (ODI) (0-100%) Roland Morris Questionnaire (RMQ) (0-24) FOTO Low Back (Focus on Therapeutic Outcomes) Other/No Functional Assessment						
	Initial Follow-Up						
117	Enter Score:		Current score Initial score				
ပ္က	Number of episodes in past 3 yrs:	□1 □2 □3 □>4 □N/A	N/A – Leave Blank for Follow-Up Request				
ll š	Does your patient demonstrate	Weakness, sensory changes or radiating symptoms below the knee					
ll E	either of the following:	☐ Tinetti Gait/Balance score < 24 OR Berg Balance test < 40 OR TUG test > 13.5 sec					
ΗĒ	Has pt. responded as expected?	N/A – Leave Blank for Initial Request	Yes No (Indicate the reason below)				
LOWER		N/A – Leave Blank for Intial Request	"Overdid" activities causing increase in symptoms Progression of symptoms despite treatment Suffered a new injury resulting in significant change Unable to participate in clinical visits/home program Patient is post-surgery with signs of infection				
	TREATMENT AREA: Lo	wer Extremity (All Conditions)	Side(s):				
SN	Post-Surgical Care: Yes	☐ No If yes, Date					
	Indicate Type of Surgery from Selection Below:						
CONDITIONS	Knee: Total/Partial Replacement Ligament Reconstruction Arthroscopy (not ligament) Fracture/ORIF Osteochondral/Microfracture Quadriceps/Patella Tendon Repair MUA Other						
ll ö	Hip: Total/Partial Replacement/Resurfacing Arthroscopy Fracture/ORIF						
4	Open Bursectomy/Capsulectomy Other Ankle/Foot/ Total Ankle Replacement Achilles/Other Tendon Repair Bunion Surgery						
\ \times	fracture Fracture/ORIF Other						
EXTREMITY (ALL	Complete the following section for initial or follow-up care as appropriate.						
	Functional Assessment Used: Choose only one.	□ LEFS (0-80 score) □ HOOS Jr (0-100 interval score) □ KOOS Jr (0-100 interval FOTO Hip/Knee/Ankle/Foot (Focus on Therapeutic Outcomes) □ Other / No Functional Assessment					
OWER		Initial	Follow-Up				
	Functional Score:		Current score Initial score				
الله	Does your patient demonstrate:	Loss of 10 degrees or more of k	nee extension OR less than 5 degrees of ankle dorsiflexion				

Mer	ember Name: Member ID: Provider Name:				
	Has pt. responded as expected?	Grade 3 or 4 laxity of the ankle or distal tibial-fibular joint Tinetti Gait/Balance score < 24 OR Berg Balance test < 40 OR TUG test > 13.5 sec Measurable (less than 4/5) weakness of hip joint in at least 2 of the following motions (Abduction, Flexion, External Rotation, Extension) None of the above N/A - Leave Blank for Initial Request Yes No (Indicate the reason below)			
		N/A – Leave Blank for Initial Request	"Overdid" activities causing increase in symptoms Progression of symptoms despite treatment Suffered a new injury resulting in significant change Unable to complete clinical visits/home program Patient is post-surgery with signs of infection and/or persistent swelling of grade 2 or more (moderate)		
Please ONLY complete the following section(s) based upon the Treatment Area(s) selected above. Information specific to the Primary Treatment Area MUST be completed. TREATMENT AREA: Pelvic Pain / Incontinence					
	Complete	e the following section for initial or fol	llow-up care as appropriate.		
		e score was used from the selection bel			
		Initial	Follow-Up		
	PFDI-20 (Pelvic Floor Distress Inventory	Summary score (0-300)	Current score Initial score		
	PFIQ-7 (Pelvic Floor Impact Questionnaire)	Summary score (0-300)	Current score Initial score		
	☐ NIH-CPSO (NIH – Chronic Prostatitis Symptom Index)	Summary score (0-43)	Current score Initial score		
9	ODI (Oswestry Disability Index)	% (0-100)	Current score % Initial score %		
Incontinence	FOTO Urinary Problems (Focus on Therapeutic Outcomes)		Current score Initial score		
ncon	FOTO Pelvic Floor Dysfunction (Focus on Therapeutic Outcomes)		Current score Initial score		
Pain / I	FOTO Bowel Constipation (Focus on Therapeutic Outcomes)		Current score Initial score		
Pelvic P	FOTO Bowel Leakage (Focus on Therapeutic Outcomes)		Current score Initial score		
Pel	Other/No Functional Assessment		Current score Initial score		
_	Does your patient demonstrate:	□ Iliac crest height OR Pubic symphysis asymmetry □ Positive provocative S.I. test OR Sacral torsion □ INABILITY to perform repetitive contractions of the pelvic floor muscles □ INABILITY to relax the pelvic floor muscles			
	Has pt. responded as expected?	N/A - Leave Blank for Initial Request	☐ Yes ☐ No (Indicate the reason below)		
		N/A Leave Blank for Initial Request	"Overdid" activities/exercise causing increase in symptoms Progression of symptoms despite treatment Suffered a new injury resulting in significant change Unable to complete clinical visits/home program		



Chiropractic Management | Summary of Portal Benefits

- ☑ Elimination of pre-set waivers
- ✓ Increased provider satisfaction
- ☑ Reduced administrative burden for providers
- ✓ Increased opportunity for real-time decisions
- ☑ Expanded, member-focused decisions
- Decreased case review turn-around-times.
- Patients able to receive the right amount of care in a timely manner.





Prior Authorization
Outcomes,
Special Considerations
&
Post-Decision Options



Prior Authorization Outcomes

Determination Outcomes:

- Approved Requests: Authorizations are valid for up to 60 calendar days from the date of approval.
- Partially Approved Requests: In instances where multiple CPT codes are requested, some may be approved and some denied. In these instances, the determination letter will specify what has been approved as well as post decision options for denied codes, including denied Site of Care (if applicable).
- **Denied Requests:** Based on evidence-based guidelines, if a request is determined as inappropriate, then a notification with the rationale for the decision and post decision/ appeal rights will be issued.

Notifications:

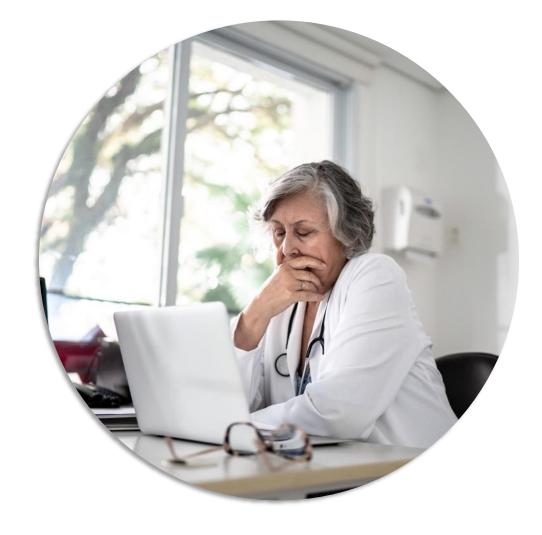
- Authorization letters will be faxed to the ordering provider.
- Web initiated cases will receive e-notifications when a user opts to receive.
- Members will receive a letter by mail.
- Approval information can be printed on demand from the EviCore portal: <u>www.EviCore.com</u>



Special Circumstances

Authorization Update

- If updates are needed on an existing authorization, you can contact EviCore by phone at **888-444-6178**.
- While EviCore needs to know if changes are made to the approved request, any change could result in the need for a separate clinical review and require a new request (and the original approved request would need to be withdrawn).
- If the authorization is not updated, it may result in a claim denial.





Post-Decision Options | Medicaid Members

My case has been denied. What's next?

- Your determination letter is the best immediate source of information to assess what options exist on a case that has been denied.
- You may also call EviCore at **888-444-6178** to speak with an agent who can provide available option(s) and instruction on how to proceed.
- Alternatively, select All Post Decisions under the authorization lookup function on <u>EviCore.com</u> to see available options.



Reconsiderations

- Reconsiderations can be requested in writing or verbally via a Clinical Consultation with an EviCore physician.
- Please refer to the determination letter for instructions.

Appeals

- EviCore will not process first-level appeals.
- Please refer to the determination letter for appeal options.



Special Circumstances

Retrospective (Retro) Authorization Requests

- Must be submitted within 180 calendar days from the date of services.
- Reviewed for clinical urgency and medical necessity.
- When authorized, the start date will be the submitted date of service.
- Clinical submitted for retrospective review should include:
 - The requested number of visits and date range.
 - Information from patient-reported functional outcome measures, progress notes, and/or clinical worksheets.

Urgent Prior Authorization Requests

- EviCore uses the NCQA/URAC definition of **urgent**: when a delay in decision-making may seriously jeopardize the life or health of the member.
- Can be initiated on provider portal or by phone.
- Urgent cases are typically reviewed within 24 to 72 hours.





Provider Portal Overview





EviCore Provider Portal | Access and Compatibility

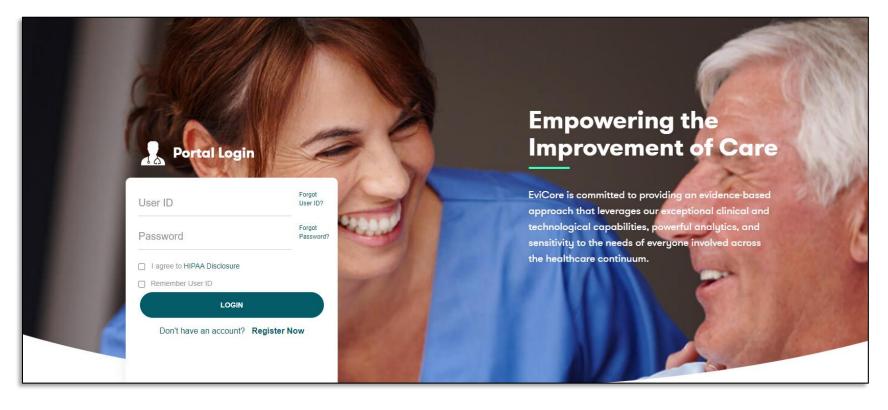
Most providers are already saving time submitting clinical review requests online vs. telephone.

To access resources on the EviCore Provider Portal, visit EviCore.com/provider.

Already a user?

Log in with User ID & Password.

Don't have an account? Click Register Now.

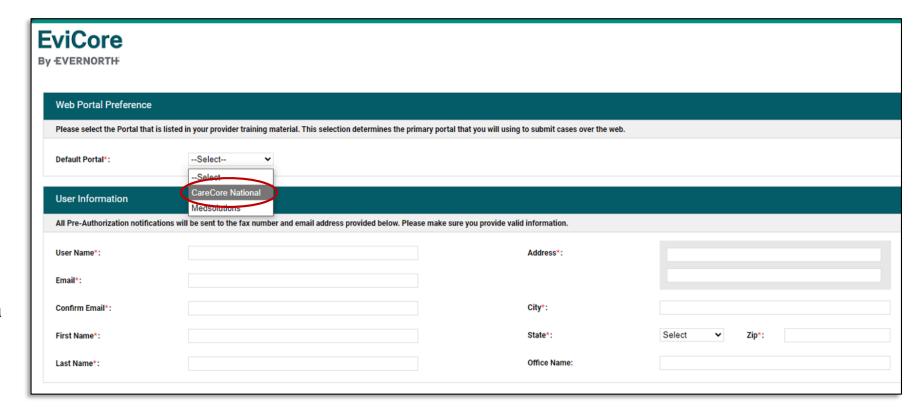


EviCore's website is compatible with **all web browsers**. If you experience issues, you may need to **disable pop-up blockers** to access the site.



Creating an EviCore Provider Portal Account

- Select CareCore
 National as the Default
 Portal.
- Complete the User Information section in full and Submit Registration.
- You will immediately be sent an email with a link to create a password.
 Once you have created a password, you will be redirected to the login page.





Setting Up Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA)

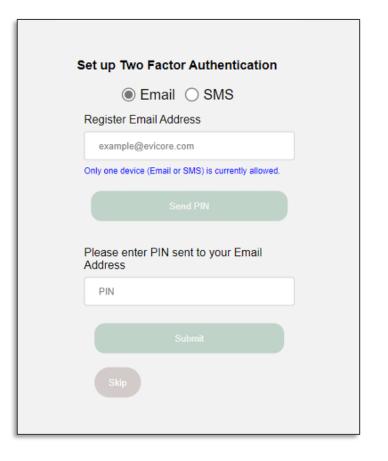
To safeguard your patients' private health information (PHI), we have implemented a multi-factor authentication (MFA) process.

After you log in, you will be prompted to register your device for MFA.

Choose which authentication method you prefer: Email or SMS. Then, enter your email address or mobile phone number.

Select **Send PIN**, and a 6-digit pin will be generated and sent to your chosen device.

After entering the provided PIN in the portal display, you will successfully be authenticated and logged in.





EviCore Provider Portal | Add Providers

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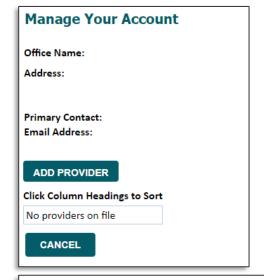
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Providers will need to be added to your account prior to case submission.

- Click the Manage Your Account tab to add provider information.
- Select Add Provider.
- Enter the NPI, state, and zip code to search for the provider.
- Select the matching record based upon your search criteria.
- Once you have selected a practitioner, your registration will be complete.
- You can also click Add Another Practitioner to add another provider to your account.
- You can access the Manage Your Account at any time to make any necessary updates or changes.

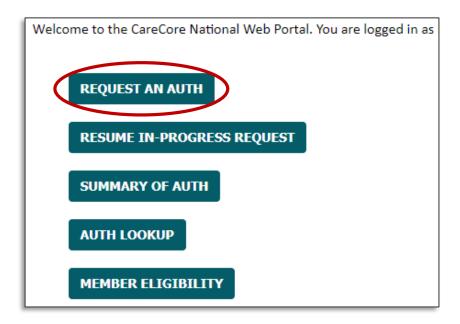


ı	Add Practitioner
	Enter Practitioner information and find matches. *If registering as rendering genetic testing Lab site, enter Lab Billing NPI, State and Zip
	Practitioner NPI
	Practitioner State
	Practitioner Zip
	FIND MATCHES CANCEL



Initiating a Case

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- Click the Clinical Certification tab to get started.
- Choose Request an Auth to begin a new case request.



Select Program

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Request an Authorization To begin, please select a program below: Durable Medical Equipment(DME) Evicore Medical Oncology Pathways Gastroenterology ○ Lab Management Program Medical Specialty Drugs Musculoskeletal Management O Pharmacy Drugs (Express Scripts Coverage) Radiation Therapy Management Program (RTMP) Radiology and Cardiology/Vascular Intervention Sleep Management CONTINUE Click here for help

Attention!

Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech Therapy, Massage Therapy, Chiropractic Care, and Acupuncture services are eligible for case duplication and date extensions. Are you requesting one of these services?

Date Extension

Continuing Care

Continue to Build a New Case

Requests for Spine Surgery, Joint Replacement, Arthroscopy, and Pain Management, please select "Continue to Build a New Case"

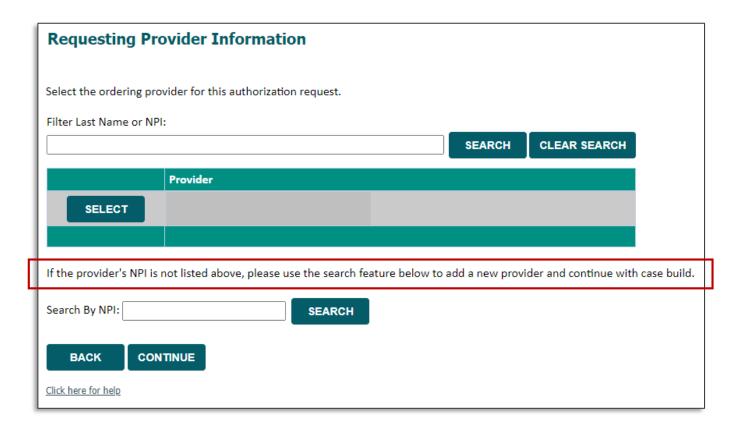
Always select "Build a New Case" for the 1st authorization request from EviCore.

Select the Program for your certification.



Clinical Certification Request | Search and Select Provider

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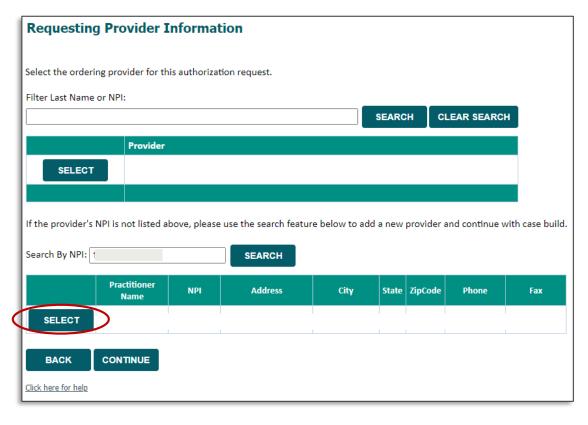


- Search for and select the Provider/Group for whom you want to build a case. This is the list of providers you added to your account.
- If the Provider/Group is not on your list of providers added to your account, you can now Search by NPI.

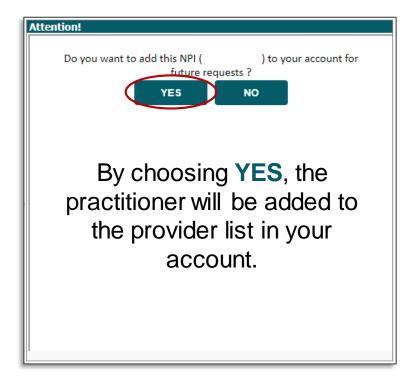


Clinical Certification Request | Search and Select Provider

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Once the provider is found by searching NPI, the line will turn gray to indicate they are selected.





Clinical Certification Request | Select Health Plan





- Choose the appropriate health plan for the request.
- Another drop down will appear to select the appropriate address for the provider.
- Click CONTINUE.



Clinical Certification Request | Enter Contact Information

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Add Your Co	ntact Info				
Provider's Name:*	[2]				
Who to Contact:*	[2]				
Fax:*	[2]				
Phone:*	[2]				
Ext.:	[2]				
Cell Phone:					
Email:					
Please review the fax and phone numbers presented for accuracy. Change as necessary and click "Confirm Fax and Continue" to confirm they are correct. Changes apply only to this specific request. If you wish the change to be permanent, please contact the Health Plan. BACK CONFIRM FAX AND CONTINUE					
Click here for help					

- Enter/edit the **provider's name** and appropriate information for the point of contact.
- Practitioner name, fax, and phone will pre-populate; edit as necessary.

The e-notification box is checked by default to enable email notices for any updates on case status changes. Make sure to uncheck this box if you prefer to receive faxed notices.



Expected Treatment Date

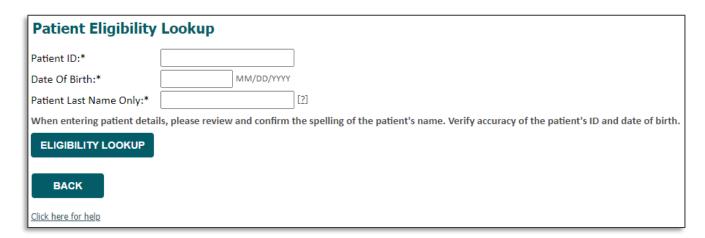
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Attention!
What is the expected procedure date or treatment start date for this request? (MM/DD/20YY)
If the Date of Service is unknown, please enter today's date.
in the Bate of Service is antiform, please effect today's date.
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Clinical Certification Request | Enter Member Information





- Enter **member information**, including patient ID number, date of birth, and last name.
- Click ELIGIBILITY LOOKUP.

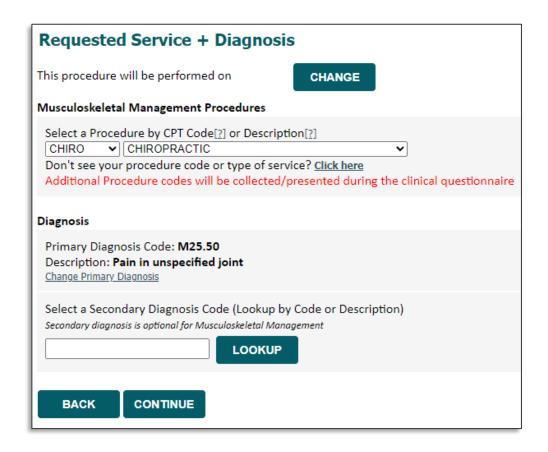
Search Results						
	Patient ID	Member Code	Name	DOB	Gender	Address
SELECT						
ВАСК						
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• Confirm the patient's information and click **SELECT** to continue.



Clinical Certification Request | Procedure and Diagnosis Codes

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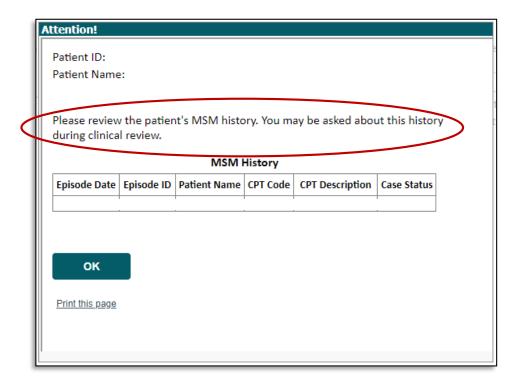


- Enter CHIRO for Chiropractic.
- Add diagnosis code(s).

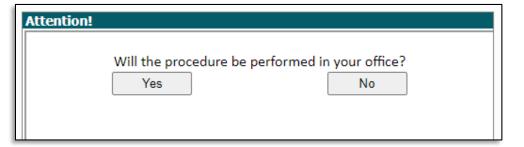


Clinical Certification Request | Verify Service Selection

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- Review the patient's history before proceeding to site selection.
- <u>Note</u>: Place of service can vary depending on health plan rules.





Clinical Certification Request | Site Selection

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Add Site of Service								
Use the fiel	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.							
NPI:		Zip Code:		Site Name:				
TIN:		City:			○ Exact match			
		,			Starts with			
						LOOKUP SITE		

- Search for the **site of service** where the procedure will be performed (for best results, search with NPI, TIN, **or** zip code).
- Select the specific site where the procedure will be performed.



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Proceed to Clinical Information

You are about to enter the clinical information collection phase of the authorization process.

Once you have clicked "CONFIRM AND CONTINUE," you will not be able to edit the Provider, Patient, or Service information entered in the previous steps. Please be sure that all this data has been entered correctly before continuing.

In order to ensure prompt attention to your online request, be sure to complete the clinical review before exiting the system. Even if you will be submitting additional information at a later time, please continue through the final summary page. Failure to formally submit your full request will cause the record to expire with no additional correspondence from eviCore.

I acknowledge that the clinical information I am about to submit for this authorization request is accurate and specific to this member, and that all information will be provided for this request.

BACK

CONFIRM AND CONTINUE

- Verify that all information is entered and correct.
- Check the acknowledgement statement.
- Once you enter the clinical collection phase of the process, the answers to the clinical questions will not save unless the case is completed.
- You will not have the opportunity to make changes after this point.



Clinical Certification Request | Standard or Urgent Request

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Proceed to Clinical Information Urgency Indicator If the case you are submitting is found NOT to meet one of the two conditions below, your case will be processed as a standard/routine, non Urgent request. If you have clinical information and this request meets the criteria for urgent, please indicate below. In order for eviCore to process this case as clinically urgent you must upload clinical documentation relevant to this case. If you are unable to upload clinical documentation at this time contact eviCore to process this case as urgent. Please indicate if any of the following criteria are true regarding urgency of this request: A delay in care could seriously jeopardize the life or health of the patient or patient's ability to regain maximum function. A delay in care would subject the member to severe pain that cannot be adequately managed without the care or treatment requested in the prior authorization. None of the above In order for eviCore to process this case as clinically urgent you must upload clinical documentation relevant to this If you are unable to upload clinical documentation at this time contact eviCore to process this case as urgent. Required Medical information checklist Browse for file to upload (max size 25MB, allowable extensions .DOC.,DOCX,.PDF,.PNG): Choose File No file chosen UPLOAD

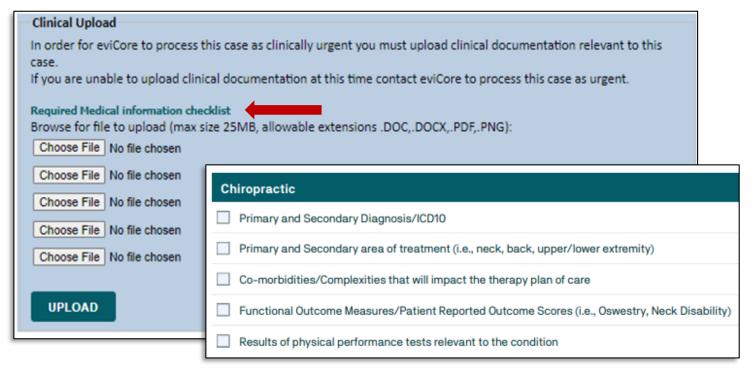


- If the case is standard, select Yes.
- If your request is urgent, select No.
- When a request is submitted as urgent, you will be required to upload relevant clinical information.
- Upload up to FIVE documents.
 (.doc, .docx, or .pdf format; max 5MB size)
- Your case will only be considered urgent if there is a successful upload.



Clinical Certification Request | Required Medical Information Checklist

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- Below the Clinical Upload description, select Required Medical Information Checklist.
- Once you open the document, you will search for the **Specialty Therapies** section to review the list of required medical information EviCore requires in order for the prior authorization request to meet medical necessity.
- Direct link to document: Required Medical Information Check List.pdf (EviCore.com)



Clinical Collection

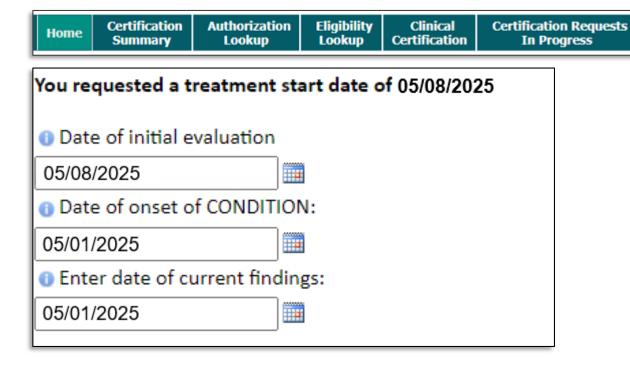




- If you need to confirm information you've entered, or need to add additional information, check Finish Later, then submit.
- You will then have <u>until the end of the day</u> to complete the request.
- If needed, any changes or updates can be made by phone.



Clinical Collection | From the Clinical Worksheets



 The clinical information will be considered out-of-date if the "date of current findings" is greater than 10 days prior to the "treatment start date" for this request.

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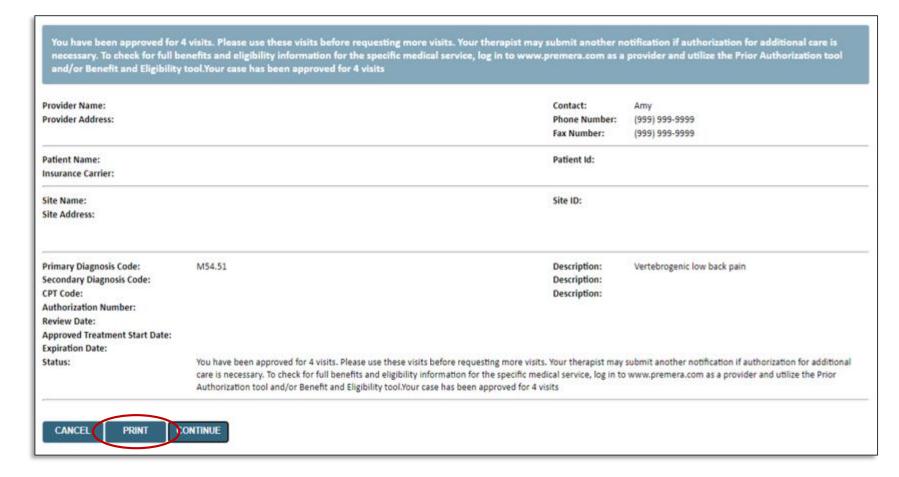
 Cases with out-of-date clinical information may be placed on hold, awaiting current clinical information.
 This may delay an authorization decision.

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Criteria Met



- Once the clinical pathway questions are completed and the answers have met the clinical criteria, an approval will be issued.
- You can print the certification and store in the patient's record if needed.



Criteria Not Met

- Once you complete the clinical questions, you will have an opportunity to upload additional clinical information.
- You will also receive a summary of your request to print for your records.

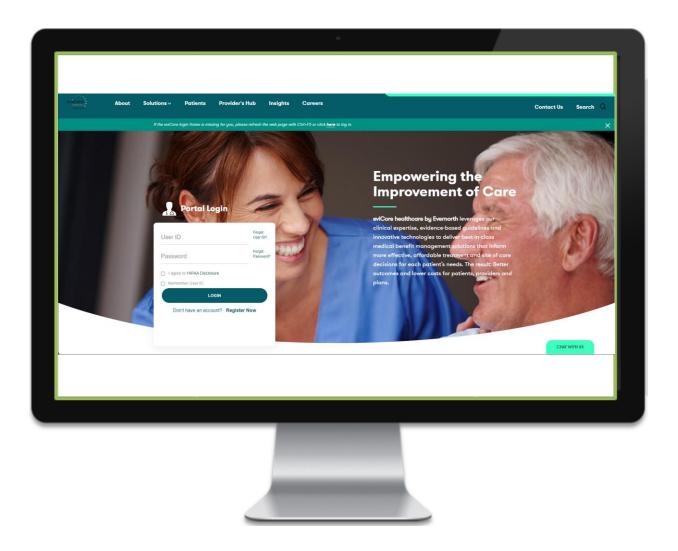
Is there any additional information specific to the member's condition	on you would like to provide	?			
○ I would like to upload a document					
○ I would like to enter additional clinical notes in the space provided					
OI would like to upload a document and enter additional notes					
I have no additional information to provide at this time	Your case has been sent to Med The prior authorization you sub		ditional case status notifications will be sent if you opted in for email notificati	ons. Thank you.	
PRINT CONTINUE	Provider Name: Provider Address:			Contact: Phone Number: Fax Number:	
	Patient Name: Insurance Carrier:			Patient Id:	
	Site Name: Site Address:	:		Site ID:	
	Secondary Diagnosis Code:	G46.3 Not provided		Description: Description:	Brain stem stroke syndrome
		70551		Description:	MRI Brain W/O CONTRAST
	Status:	N/A Your case has been sent to Medical Review. The prior authorization you submitted, Case	has been received. Additional case status notifications will be sent if you opted in for er	nail notifications. Tha	ınk you.
	CANCEL PRINT CON	ITINUE			



Provider Portal Demo

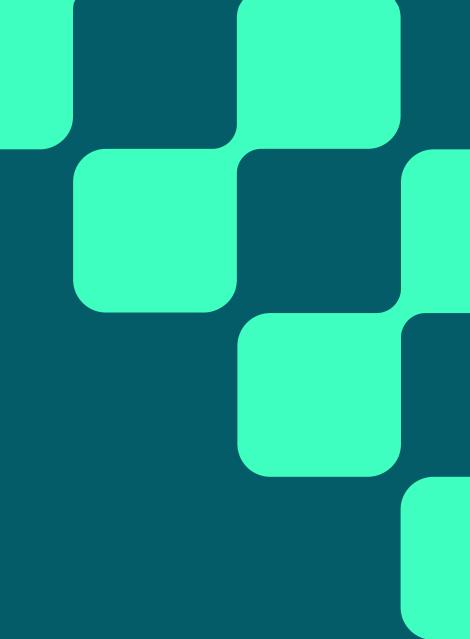
The EviCore online portal is the quickest, most efficient way to request prior authorization and check authorization status.

Click HERE to view a video demo (2 min)





EviCore Portal Features





EviCore Provider Portal | Features

Eligibility Lookup

Confirm if patient requires clinical review.

Clinical Certification

Request a clinical review for prior authorization on the portal.

Prior Authorization Status Lookup

- View and print any correspondence associated with the case.
- Search by member information OR by case number with ordering national provider identifier (NPI).
- Review post-decision options, submit appeal, and schedule a peer-to-peer.

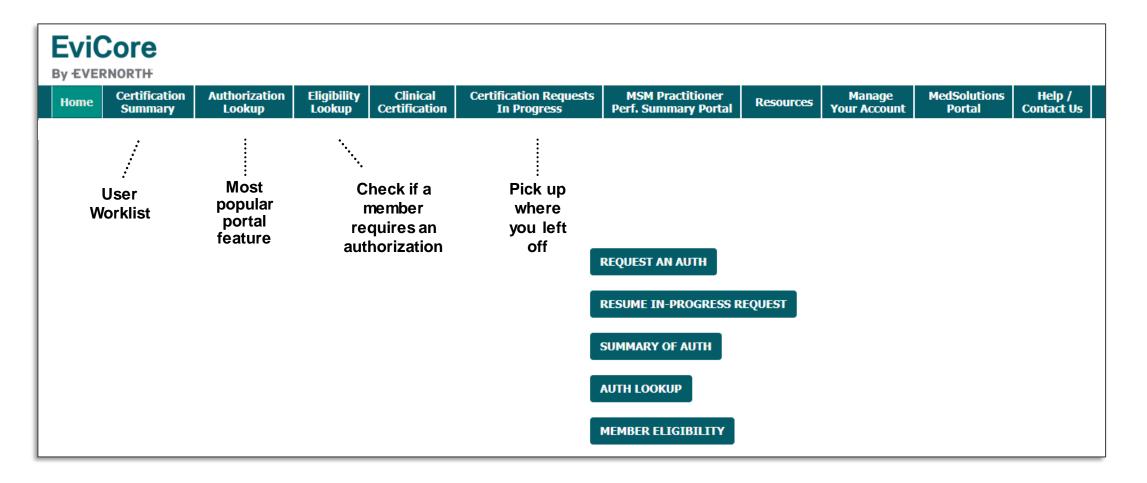
Certification Summary

Track recently submitted cases.



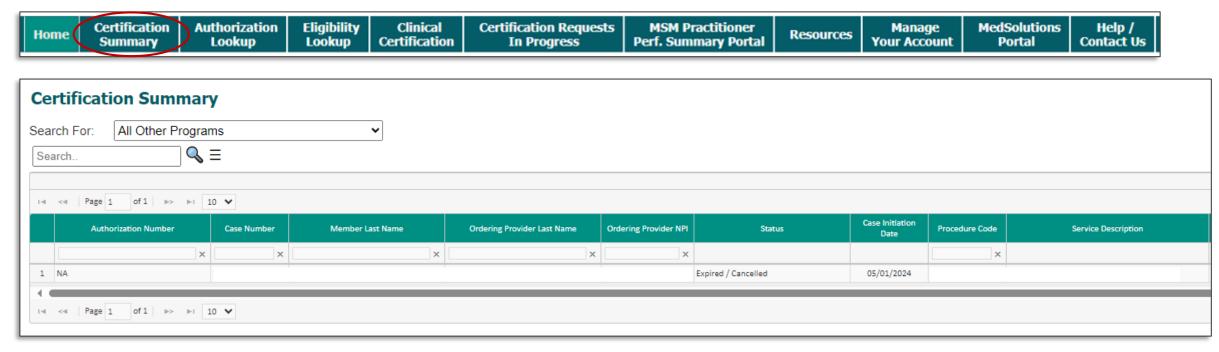


Provider Portal | Feature Access





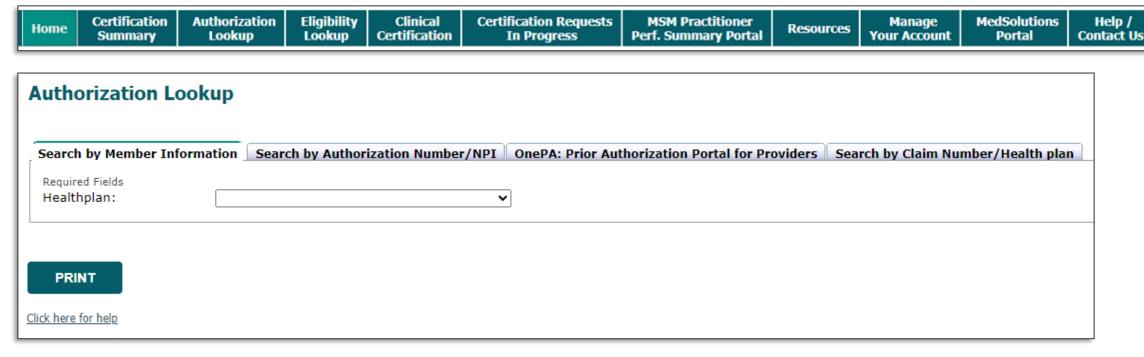
Certification Summary | User Worklist



- The Certification Summary tab allows you to track recently submitted cases.
- The worklist can also be filtered.



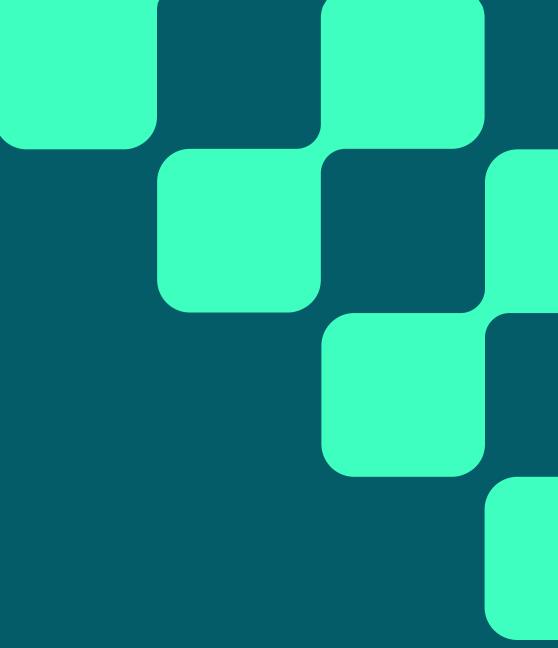
Authorization Lookup



- You can lookup an authorization case status on the portal.
- Search by member information OR
- Search by authorization number with ordering NPI.
- Initiate appeals and/or schedule Peer-to-Peer calls.
- View and print any correspondence.



Provider Resources





Contact EviCore's Dedicated Teams

Client and Provider Services

For eligibility issues (member or provider not found in system) or transactional authorization related issues requiring research.

• Email: <u>ClientServices@EviCore.com</u>

• Phone: **800-646-0418** (option 4).

Web-Based Services and Portal Support

Live chat

Email: Portal.Support@EviCore.com

Phone: 800-646-0418 (option 2)

Provider Engagement

Regional team that works directly with the provider community.

Provider Engagement Manager Territory List



Call Center/Intake Center

Call **888-444-6178**. Representatives are available from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. local time.



Provider Resource Website

Provider Resource Pages

EviCore's Provider Engagement team maintains provider resource pages that contain educational material to assist providers and their staff on a daily basis. The provider resource pages include, but are not limited to, the following educational material:

- Provider training material
- CPT code list
- Quick Reference Guide (QRG)
- Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

To access these helpful resources, please visit:

https://www.evicore.com/resources/healthplan/health-partners-plans

EviCore also maintains online resources <u>not</u> specific to health plans, such as guidelines and our required clinical information checklist.

To access these helpful resources, visit EviCore's **Provider's Hub**.





Ongoing Provider Portal Training

The EviCore Portal Team offers general portal training, twice a week, every week.

All online orientation sessions are free of charge and last approximately one hour. Advance registration is required, so follow the instructions below to sign up:

How to register:

- 1. Go to http://EviCore.webex.com/
- 2. Click on the "hamburger" menu on the far left hand side (below the EviCore logo), then choose Webex Training.
- 3. On the **Live Sessions** screen, click the **Upcoming** tab. In the search box above the tabs, type: **EviCore Portal Training.**
- 4. Choose the date and time for the session you would like to attend, and click the **Register** link beside it. (You will need to register separately for each session.)
- 5. Complete the required information and click the **Register** button.

Immediately after registering, you will receive an e-mail containing the toll-free phone number, meeting number, conference password, and a link to the web portion of the conference. Please keep the registration e-mail so you will have the Web conference information for the session in which you will be participating.



Provider Resource Review Forum

The EviCore website contains multiple tools and resources to assist providers and their staff during the prior authorization process.

We invite you to attend a **Intro to EviCore Online Resources** session to learn how to navigate **EviCore.com** and understand all the resources available on the Provider's Hub.

Learn how to access:

- EviCore's evidence-based clinical guidelines
- Clinical worksheets
- Existing prior authorization request status information
- Search for contact information
- Podcasts & insights
- Training resources

To register, go to EviCore.com, then:

Provider's Hub > Scroll down to EviCore Provider Orientation Session Registrations > Upcoming





EviCore's Provider Newsletter

Stay up to date with our free provider newsletter!

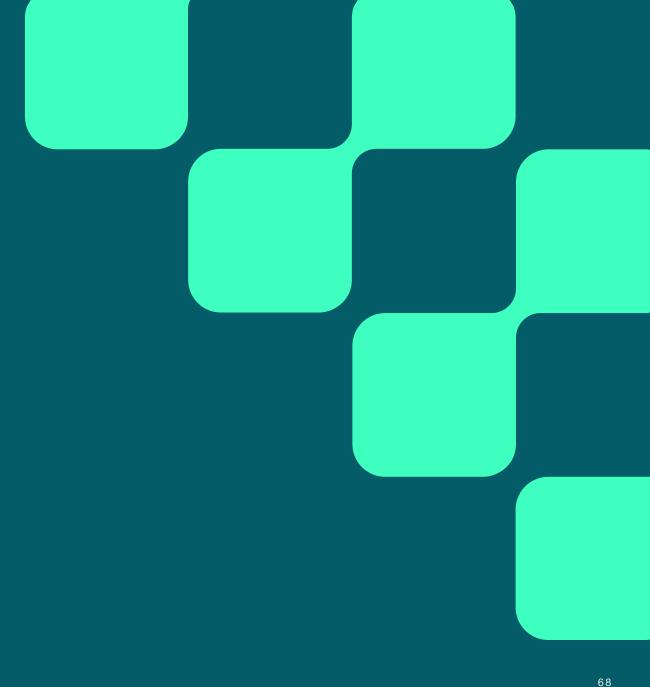
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- Visit <u>EviCore.com</u>.
- Scroll down to the section titled Stay Updated With Our Provider Newsletter.
- Enter a valid email address.



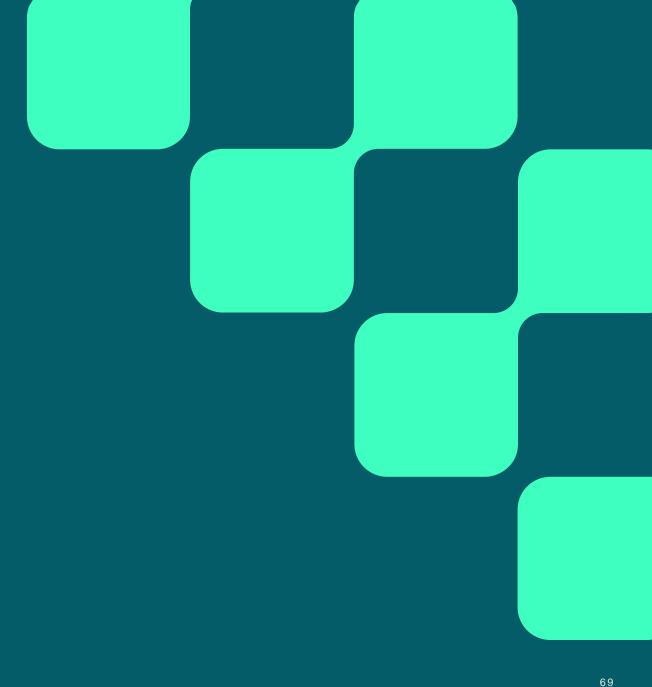


Thank You





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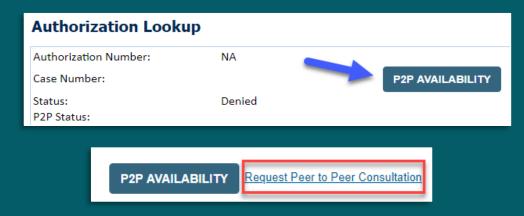


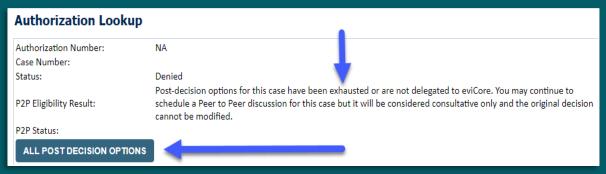
Peer-to-Peer (P2P) Scheduling Tool



If your case is eligible for a Peer-to-Peer (P2P) consultation, a link will display, allowing you to proceed to scheduling without any additional messaging.

- Log-in to your account at EviCore.com.
- 2. Perform **Clinical Review Lookup** to determine the status of your request.
- Click on the P2P AVAILABILITY button to determine if your case is eligible for a. Peer-to-Peer consultation
- 4. Note carefully any messaging that displays.*

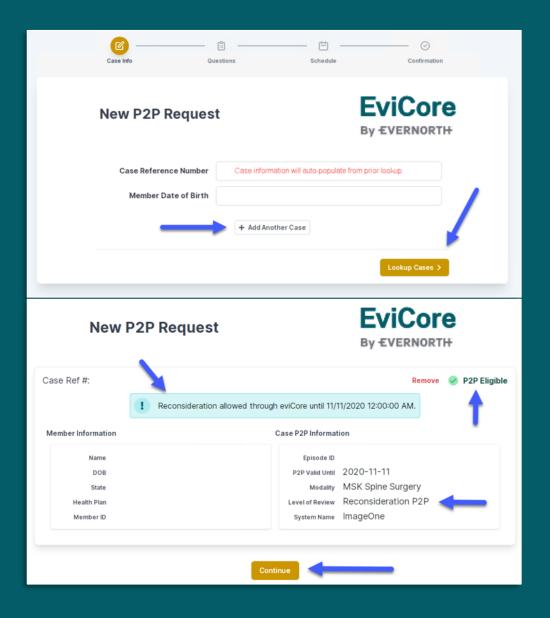




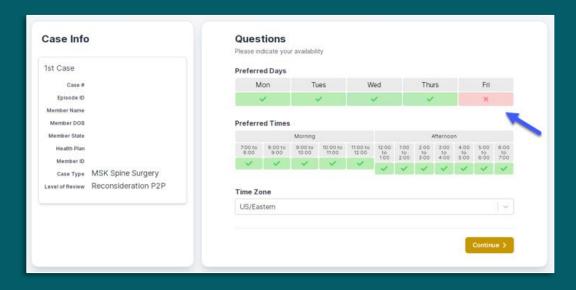
*In some instances, a Peer-to-Peer consultation is allowed, but the case decision can not be changed. In such cases, you can still request a **Consultative-Only Peer-to-Peer.** You can also click on the **ALL POST-DECISION OPTIONS** button to learn what other action can be taken.

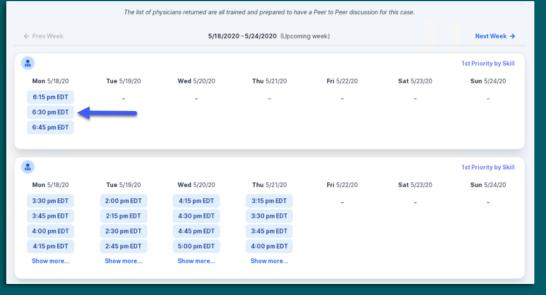
Once the **Request Peer-to-Peer Consultation** link is selected, you will be transferred to our scheduling software via a new browser window.

- 1. Upon first login, you will be asked to confirm your default time zone.
- 2. You will be presented with the case number and member date of birth.
- 3. Add another case for the same Peer-to-Peer appointment request by selecting **Add Another Case**.
- 4. To proceed, select Lookup Cases.
- 5. You will receive a confirmation screen with member and case information, including the level of review for the case in question.
- 6. Click **Continue** to proceed.

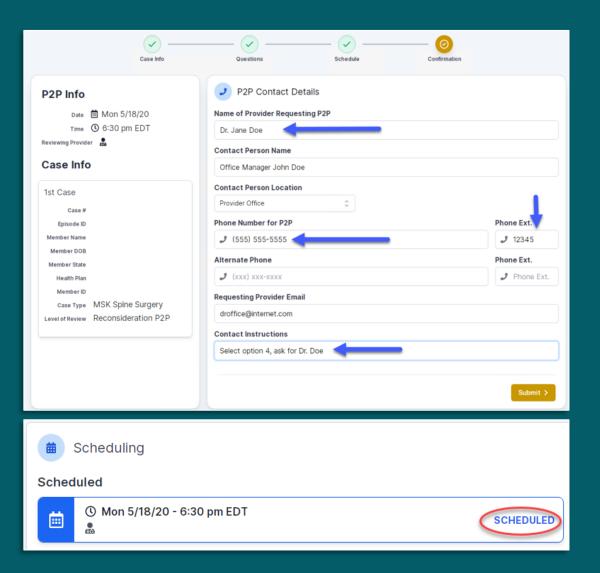


- 1. You will be prompted with a list of EviCore Physicians/Reviewers and appointment options.
- 2. Select any of the listed appointment times to continue.
- 3. You will be prompted to identify your preferred days and times for a Peer-to-Peer consultation (all opportunities will be automatically presented).
- Click on any green checkmark to deselect that option, then click Continue.



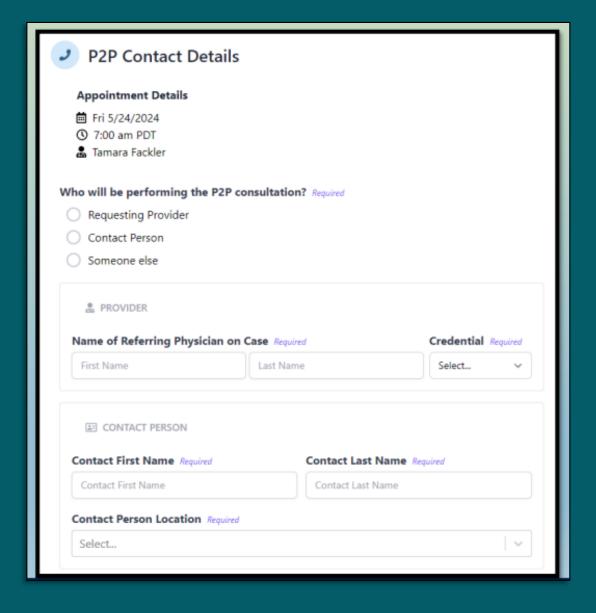


- 1. Update the following fields to ensure the correct person is contacted for the Peer-to-Peer appointment:
 - + Name of Provider Requesting P2P
 - + Phone Number for P2P
 - + Contact Instructions
- 2. Click **Submit** to schedule the appointment.
- 3. You will be presented with a summary page containing the details of your scheduled appointment.
- 4. Confirm contact details.



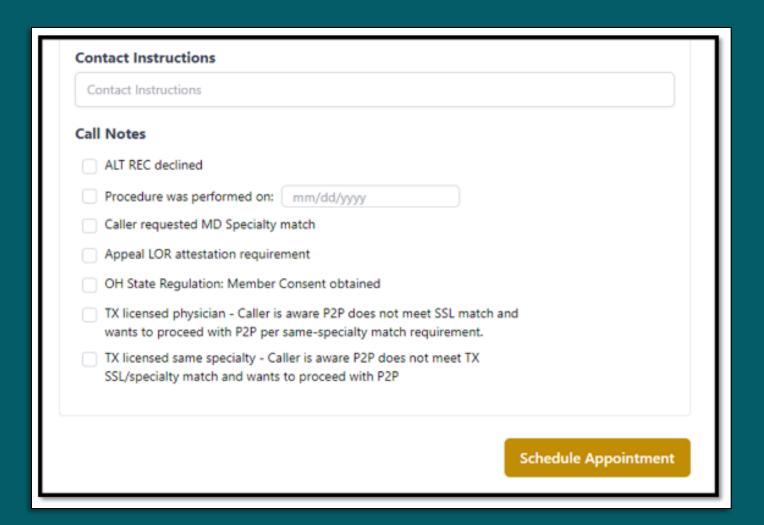
P2P Contact Details

- Use the radio button option to select who will perform the P2P with the EviCore Medical Director.
- 2. Open fields will manually open to input the provider's first, last name, and their credential.



Call Notes

- 1. Use the radio button to select options if applicable.
- 2. If "Procedure was performed on" is selected, then the date is required.



Cancel or Reschedule a P2P Appointment

To cancel or reschedule an appointment:

- Access the scheduling software and select My P2P Requests on the left-pane navigation.
- 2. Select the request you would like to modify from the list of available appointments.
- 3. When the request appears, click on the schedule link. An appointment window will open.
- 4. Click on the **Actions** drop-down and choose the appropriate action:
 - + **If choosing to reschedule,** select a new date or time as you did initially.
 - + **If choosing to cancel**, input a cancellation reason.
- 5. Close the browser once finished.

