PROVIDER ORIENTATION SESSION

Radiology Cardiovascular Pain Management

Aetna Better Health of New Jersey (Aetna Assure Premier Plus)





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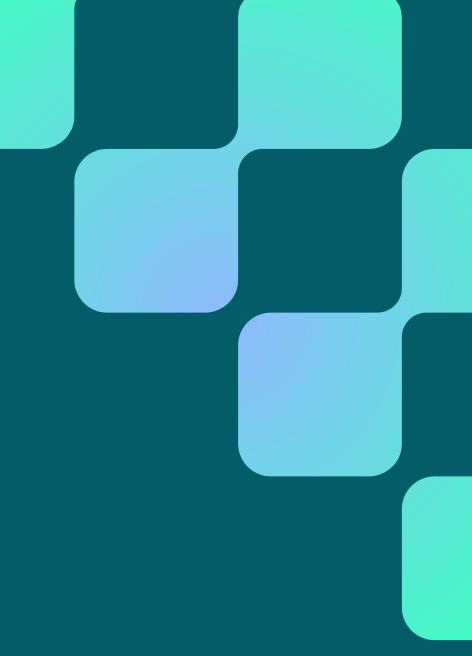
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Solution Overview





Aetna Better Health of New Jersey Prior Authorization Services

EviCore will begin accepting prior authorization requests for Radiology, Cardiovascular and Pain Management services on 8/18/2025 for dates of service 9/1/2025 and after.

Applicable Membership

- Medicaid
- AAPP

Prior authorization applies to the following services

- Outpatient
- Elective/Non-emergent

Prior authorization does NOT apply to services performed in

- Emergency Rooms
- Observation Services
- Inpatient Stays

Providers should verify member eligibility and benefits on the secured provider log-in section at:

<u>www.aetnabetterhealth.com/NewJersey</u> (ABH-NJ) https://www.aetnabetterhealth.com/new-jersey-hmosnp/index.html (AAPP)



Radiology, Cardiovascular and Pain Management

Covered Services

Radiology

- Advanced Imaging
- CT, CTA
- MRI, MRA
- PET, PET/CT

Cardiovascular

- Cardiac Imaging
- Myocardial Perfusion Imaging
 - (SPECT & PET)
- Cardiac CT & MRI
- Echo Stress Testing (XSE)
- Diagnostic Heart Catheterization

Interventional Pain

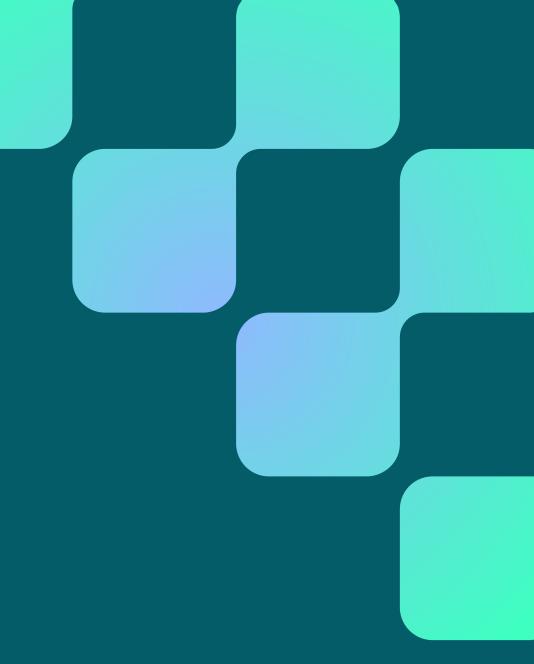
- Spinal injections
- Spinal implants
 - Spinal cord stimulators
 - Pain pumps

To find complete lists of resources including the Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes that require prior authorization, please visit:

Aetna Better Health NJ Provider Resources | EviCore by Evernorth



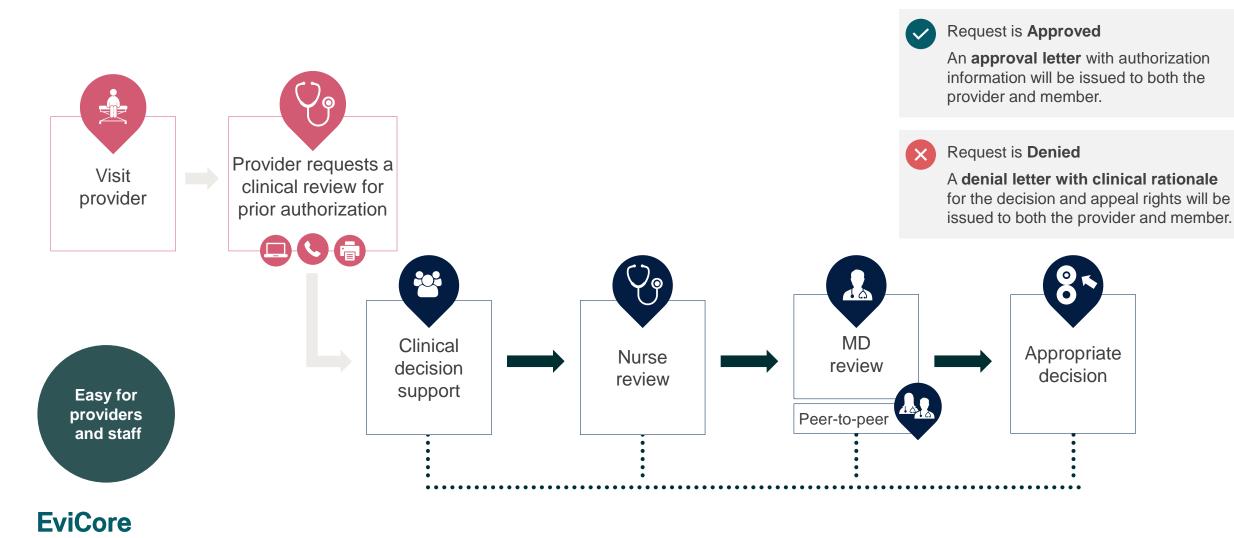
Submitting Requests





Utilization Management | Prior Authorization

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How to Request Prior Authorization

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

- + 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 in 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:** 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 submittals

To access the EviCore Provider Portal, visit evicore.com/provider Or by phone: 866-668-8295 Monday – Friday 7 AM - 7 PM EST Or by fax: 800-540-2406



Necessary Information for Prior Authorization



To obtain prior authorization on the very first submission, the provider submitting the request will need to gather information within four categories:



Member

- ✓ Health Plan ID
- ✓ Member name
- ✓ Date of birth (DOB)



Referring (Ordering) Physician

- ✓ Physician name
- √ National provider identifier (NPI)
 - ✓ Phone & fax number



Supporting Clinical

- Pertinent clinical information to substantiate medical necessity for the requested service
 - ✓ CPT/HCPCS Code(s)
 - ✓ Diagnosis Code(s)
 - ✓ Previous test results



Rendering Facility

- √ Facility name
 - ✓ Address
- √ National provider identifier (NPI)
- √ Tax identification number (TIN)
 - ✓ Phone & fax number

All Clinical Information pages must include 2 patient/member identifiers



Additional Documentation Needed

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:







The provider must submit the additional information to EviCore.

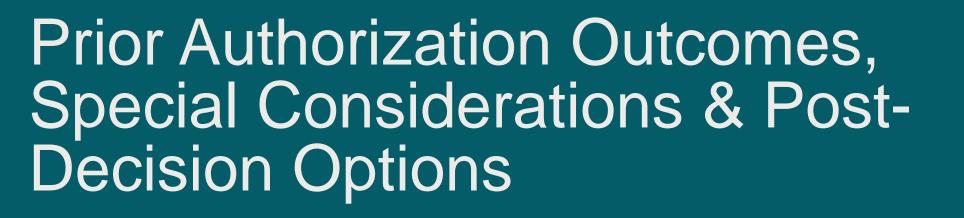


EviCore will review the additional documentation and reach a determination.

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

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. Determination notifications will be sent.







Prior Authorization Determination Outcomes

Determination Outcomes

- **Turnaround Time:** Decisions on standard requests will be made within 14 calendar days from case submission. Urgent requests are processed within 72 hours.
- Approved/Partially Approved Requests: Authorizations are valid for 60 calendar days from the date of case submission. 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.
- Denied Requests: If a request is determined as inappropriate based on evidence-based guidelines, a notification with the rationale for the decision and post-decision rights will be issued.

Notifications

- Notifications will be provided to members and providers per state requirements.
- Approval information can be printed on demand from the <u>EviCore portal</u>.





Special Circumstances

Retrospective Authorization Requests

- Retrospective requests must be submitted to EviCore within 90/180 (AAPP) calendar days from the date of service. Any submitted beyond this timeframe will be expired
- Reviewed for clinical urgency and medical necessity
- Processed within 30 calendar days
- When authorized, the start date will be the submitted date of service

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 patient
- Can be initiated on the <u>EviCore Provider Portal</u> or by phone
- Urgent cases are typically reviewed within 24 hours (can vary by state based on state-specific regulations)

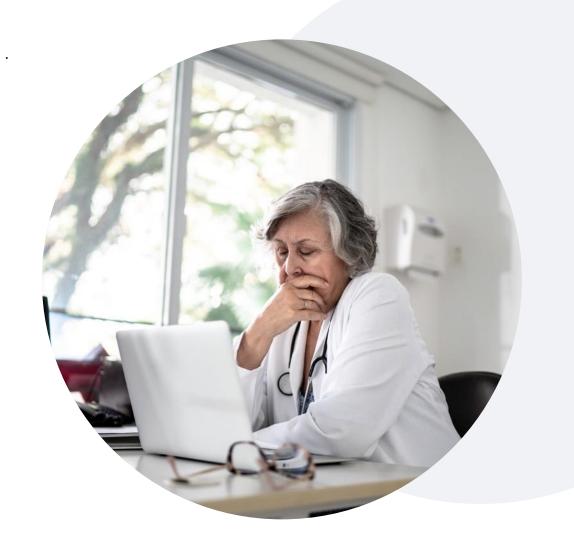




Special Circumstances (cont.)

Authorization Update

- If updates are needed on an existing authorization, providers can contact EviCore by phone
- If the authorization is not updated and a different facility location or CPT code is submitted on the claim, it may result in a claim denial





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 **866-668-8295** 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 EviCore.com to see available options.



Reconsiderations

- + Reconsiderations must be requested within 5 calendar days from date of decision.
- + Reconsiderations can be requested writing or verbally via a Clinical Consultation with an EviCore physician.

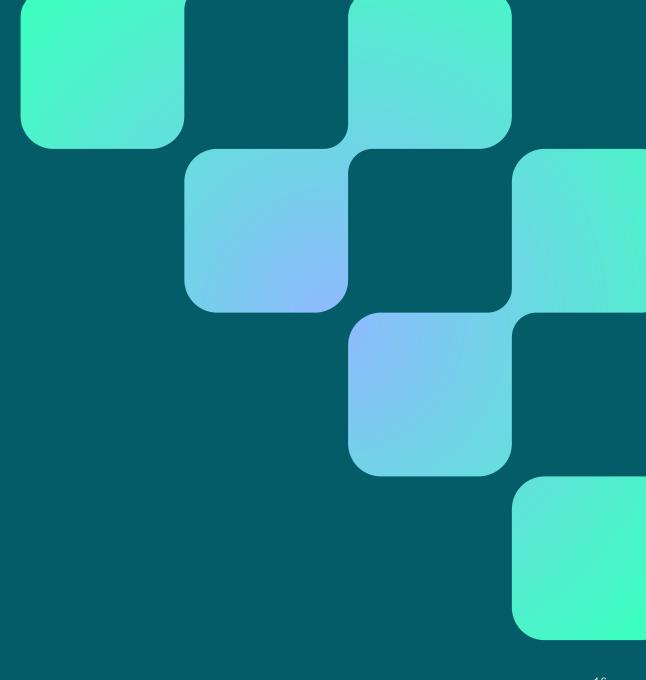


Appeals

+ EviCore will not process first-level appeals.



Portal Case Submission





EviCore Provider Portal | Access and Compatibility

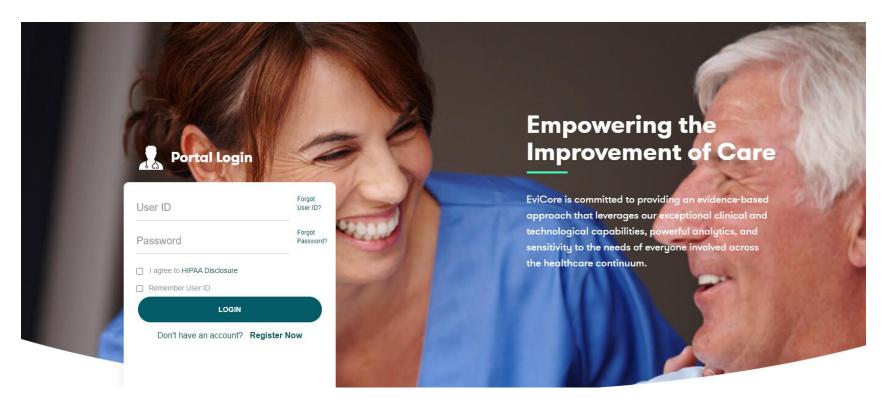
Most providers are already saving time submitting clinical review requests online vs. telephone.

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.

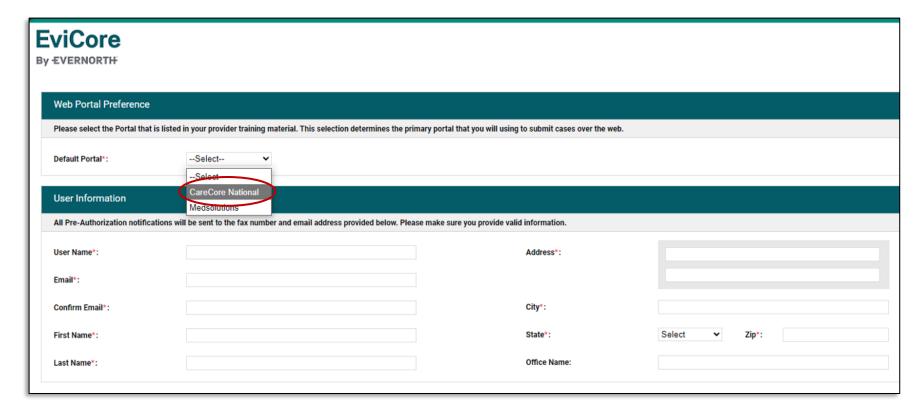




EviCore's website is compatible with **all web browsers**. If you experience issues, you may need to **disable pop-up blockers** to access the site.

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)

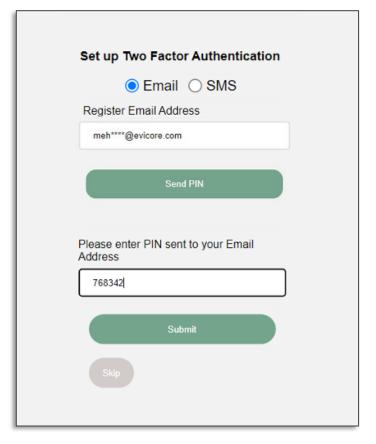
To safeguard your patients' private health information (PHI), we have implemented a multi-factor authentication (MFA) process.

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.



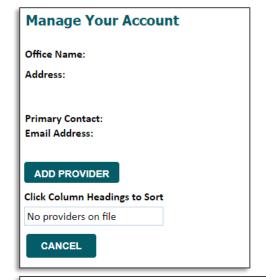


EviCore Provider Portal | Add Providers

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

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

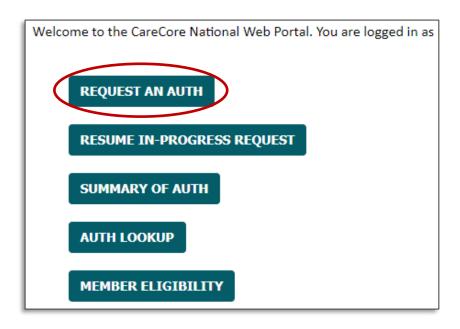
- Click the Manage Your Account tab to add provider information.
- Select Add Provider.
- Enter the NPI, state, and zip code to search for the provider.
- Select the matching record based upon your search criteria.
- Once you have selected a practitioner, your registration will be complete.
- You can 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.



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

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



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



Clinical Certification Request | Initiating a Case

Home

Certification Summary Authorization Lookup

Eligibility Lookup Clinical Certification Certification Requests In Progress MSM Practitioner Perf. Summary Portal

Resources

Manage Your Account

To begin, please select one of the programs below that are applicable to Aetna Better Health of OK.

- Durable Medical Equipment (DME)
- Gastroenterology
- Lab Management Program
- Medical Oncology Pathways
- Musculoskeletal Management
- Radiation Therapy Management Program (RTMP)
- Radiology and Cardiology
- Sleep Management
- Specialty Drugs

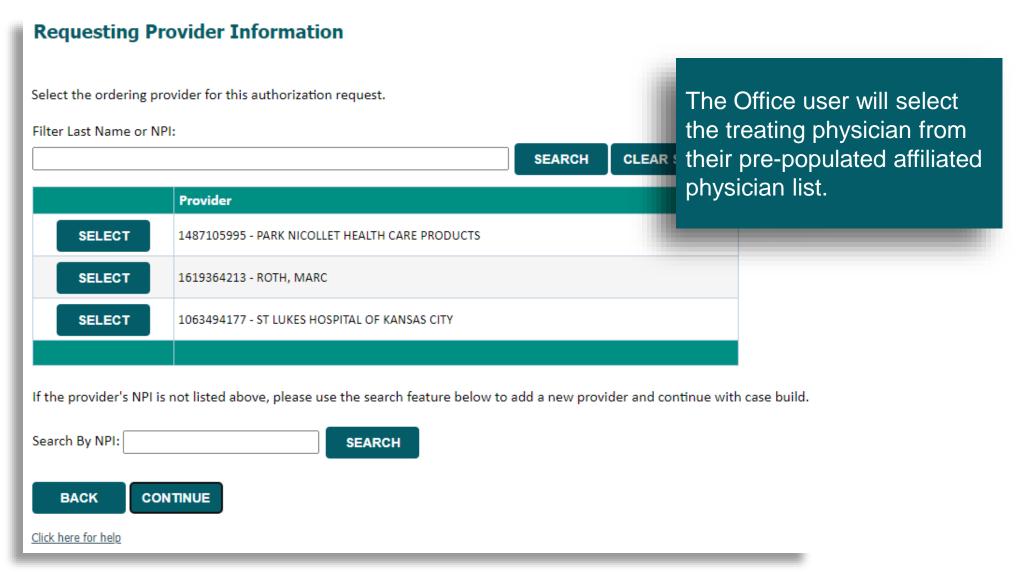
CONTINUE

Click here for help

- Click Clinical Certification to begin a new request
- Select the Program for your certification
- Select Requesting Provider Information



Provider Experience – Provider Selection





Clinical Certification Request | Select Health Plan

Clinical

Certification

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Eligibility

Lookup

Choose Your Insurer

Requesting Provider:

Please select the insurer for this authorization request.

Please Select a Health Plan

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 Choose the appropriate Health Plan for the request

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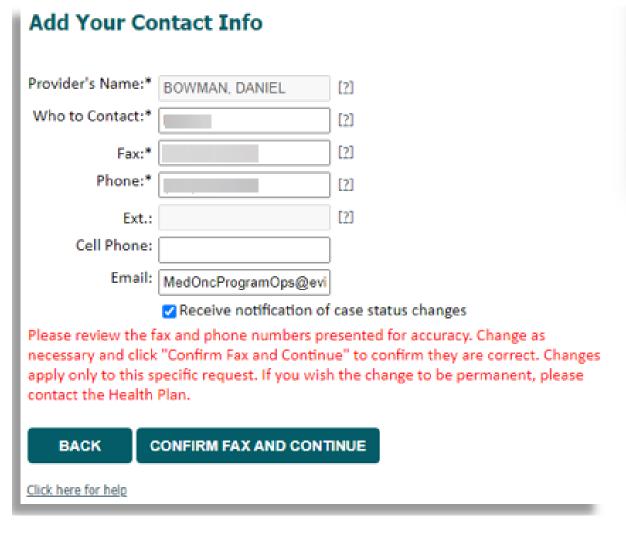
Select CONTINUE

MSM Practitioner

Perf. Summary Portal



Provider Experience – Case Submission



Contact information is confirmed or entered to ensure smooth communication of the determination or to request additional information as needed.

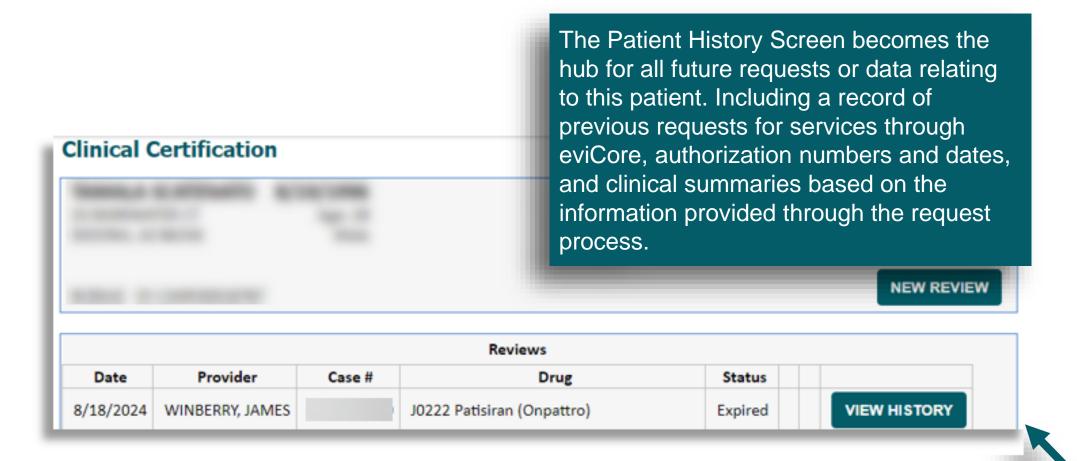


Provider Experience – Member

Patient Eligibility Lookup Current Patien New patients are registered **New Patient Registration** or current patients are Member ID Filter by Physician All Providers selected from the drop (no spaces or dashes) down list. If a new patient (type to fil Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY) is being registered and eligibility is verified, a User or provider has no patients ... Last Name confirmation screen will appear. Click "Yes" to First Name (optional) **New Patient Registration** continue. Provider: Select Provider CANCEL **SEARCH** Health Plan: Member ID: Date of Birth: 2/20/1973 Name: City, State: Do you want to continue with this patient? YES NO



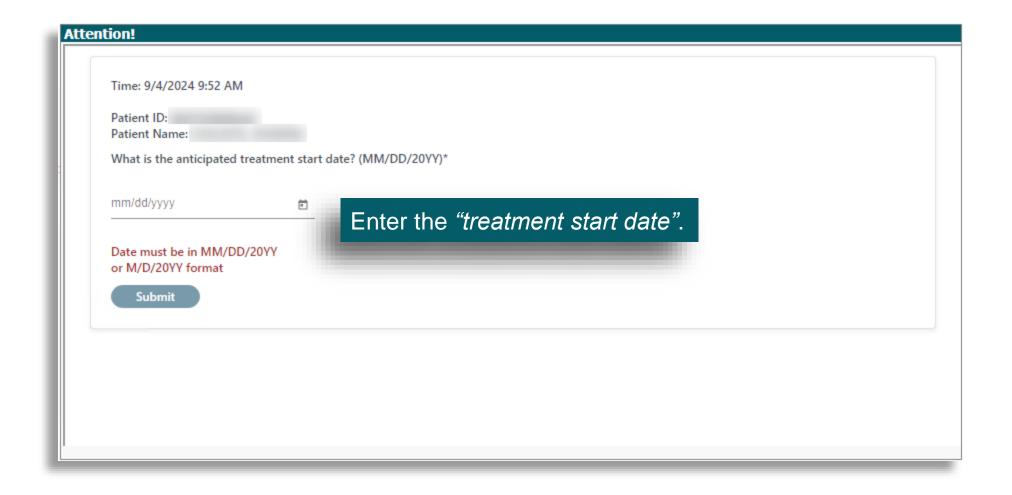
Provider Experience – History



Click to view clinical information, Jcodes, and expiration date.

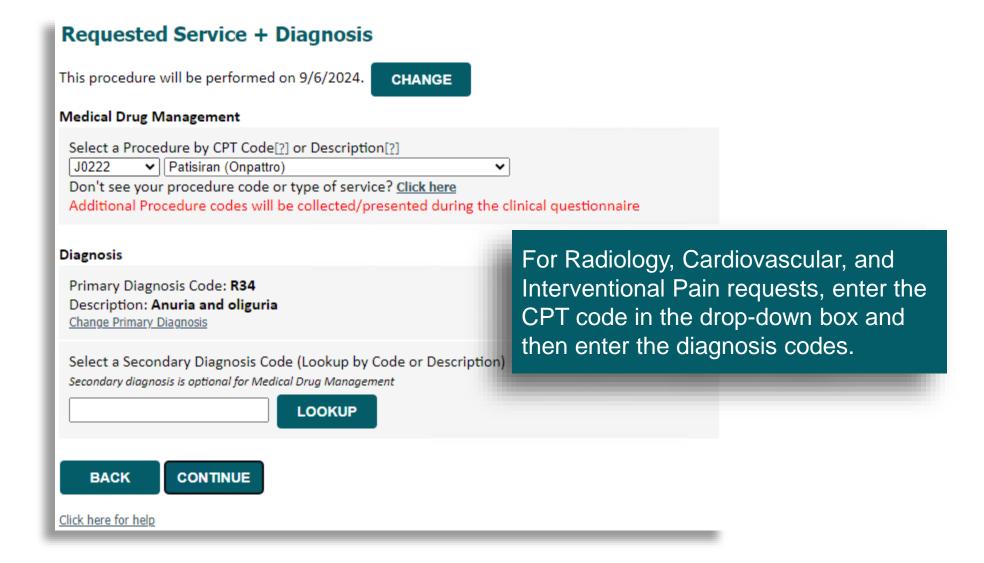


Provider Experience – Date of Service



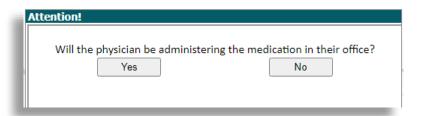


Provider Experience – Drug and Diagnosis





Provider Experience – Site



In office administration allows user to bypass site selection step

Add Site of Service 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 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: 1063494177 Zip Code: Site Name: TIN: City: Distinct rendering site or facility can be entered if needed. **LOOKUP SITE** Multiple lookup options are available. Network logic can be applied as Site Email (optional) needed. Name Address 711 MARSHALL ST **SELECT** SAINT LUKES REGIONAL LAB LEAVENWORTH, KS 66048 4401 WORNALL RD SELECT SAINT LUKES HOSPITAL KANSAS CITY, MO 64111 4401 WORNALL RD FL B SELECT SAINT LUKES REGIONAL LABS KANSAS CITY, MO 64111 4401 WORNALL SELECT SAINT LUKES HOSPITAL OF KANSAS CITY KANSAS CITY, MO 64111 **BACK**

Provider Experience – Urgency

Proceed to Clinical Information Is this case Routine/Standard? YES NO

Answer if the request is "Routine/Standard". If no, select "Urgency Indicator".

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



Provider Experience – Transition to Clinical

Proceed to Clinical Information

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

After answering the clinical question(s) on each screen you will need to click the "squestions will be displayed on the lower portion of the screen. If you made an error process you can click on the question. The system will ask that you answer the que You can use the "Finish Later" button, for Standard/Routines cases only, to save in later time (Note: For most scenarios you will need to complete the review on the sall case information recorded up to but not including the current screen.

The demographic portion of the case is complete.

Reminders on how to complete the clinical portion are displayed. Click "Confirm and Continue" to proceed to the clinical review.

Failure to formally submit your request clicking the "Submit" button at the conclusion of all clinical questions will cause the request for a prior authorization to expire with no additional correspondence.

✓ 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.

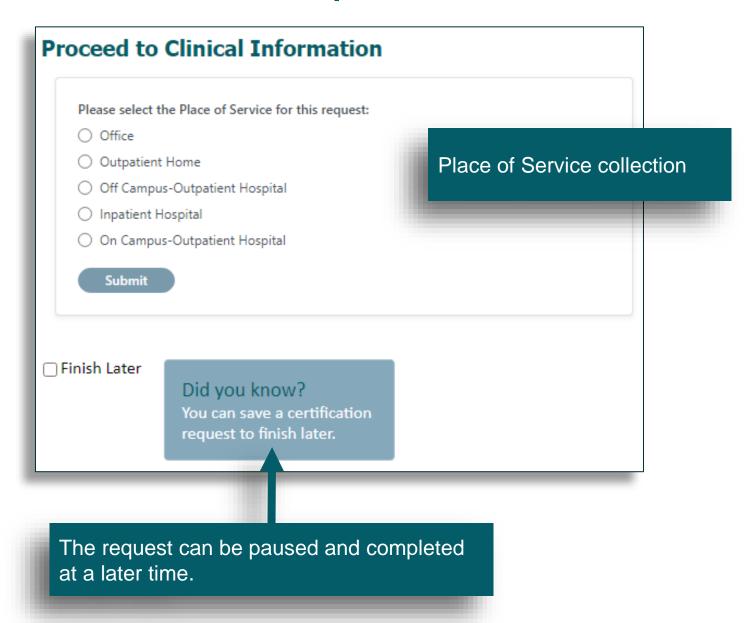
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CONFIRM AND CONTINUE

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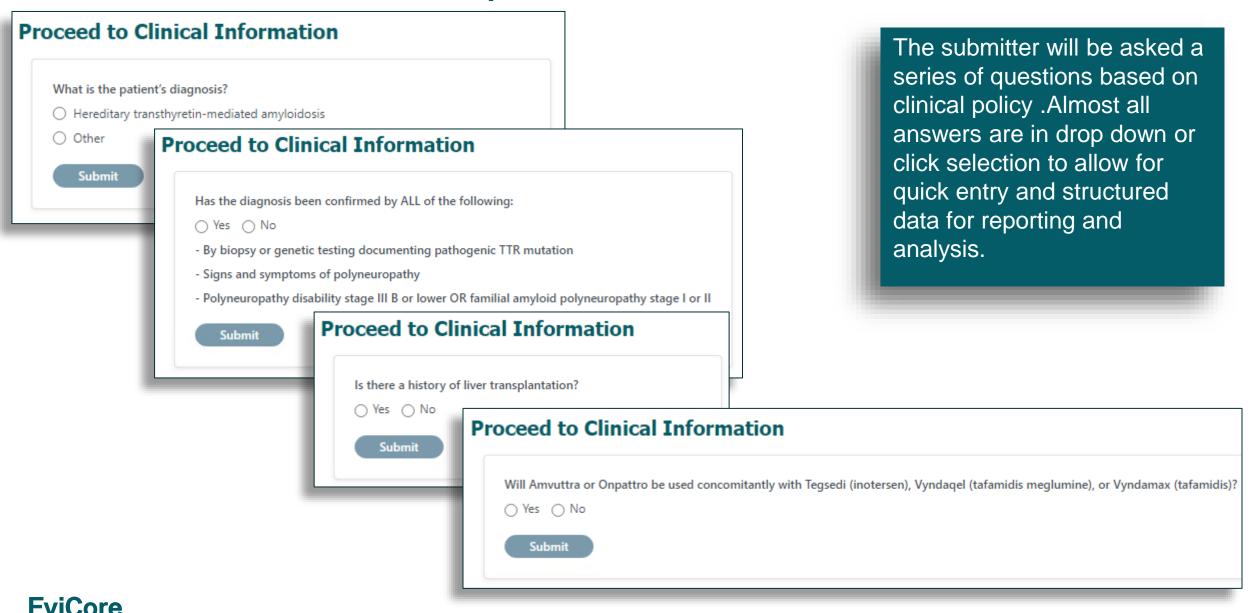


Provider Experience – Place of Service



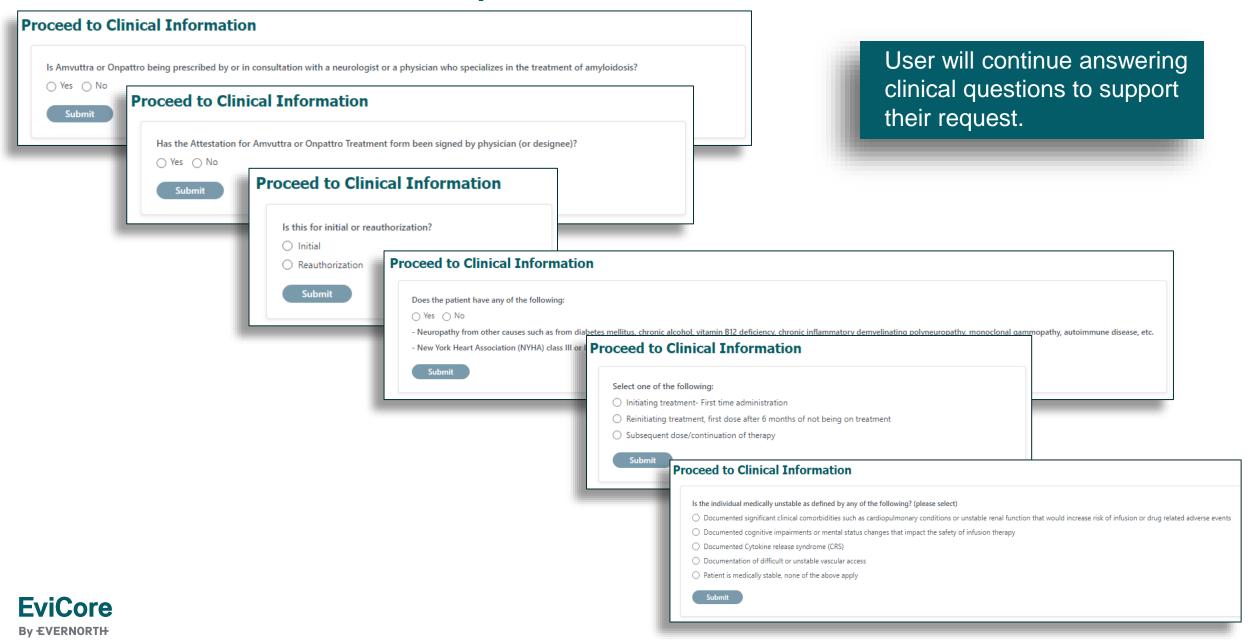


Provider Experience – Clinical information



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Provider Experience – Clinical Information



Provider Experience – Additional information

Proceed to Clinical Information Is there any other information specific to the member's health condition that you would like to provide at this time? (If none, please click SUBMIT.) Submit User will continue answering clinical questions and have Proceed to Clinical Information the opportunity to upload additional clinical information Clinical Upload to support the request. Please upload any additional clinical information that justifies the medical necessity of this request. Required Medical information checklist Browse for file to upload (max size 25MB, allowable extensions .DOC,.DOCX,.PDF,.PNG): Choose File | No file chosen Choose File | No file chosen

UPLOAD

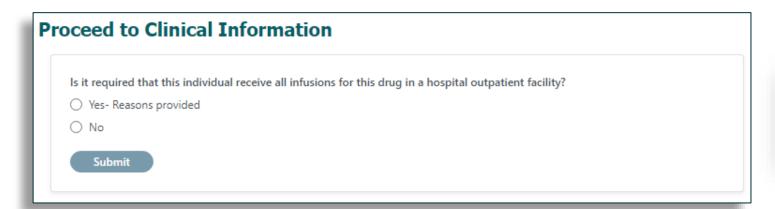
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Provider Experience – Case Submission





Provider Experience – Case Submission

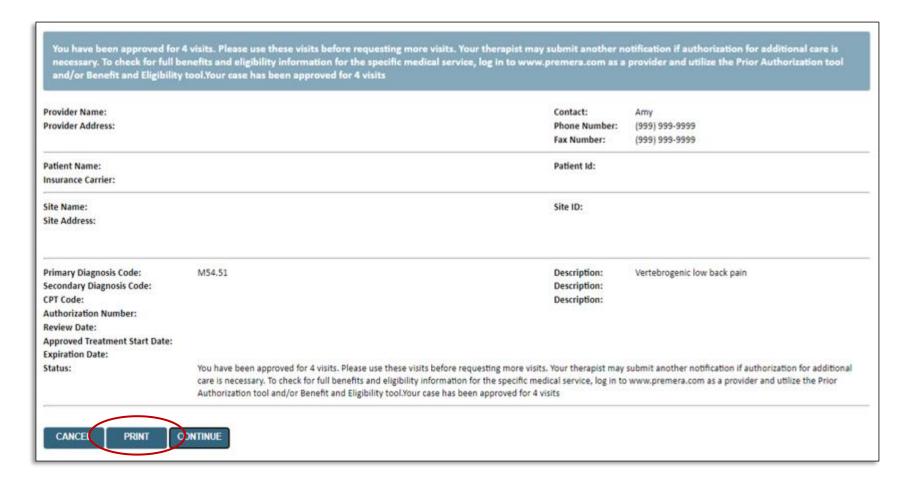


User will continue answering clinical questions to support their request.

Proceed to Clinical Information
Please submit the reason(s) for administering all drugs in a hospital outpatient facility: Submit



Criteria Met

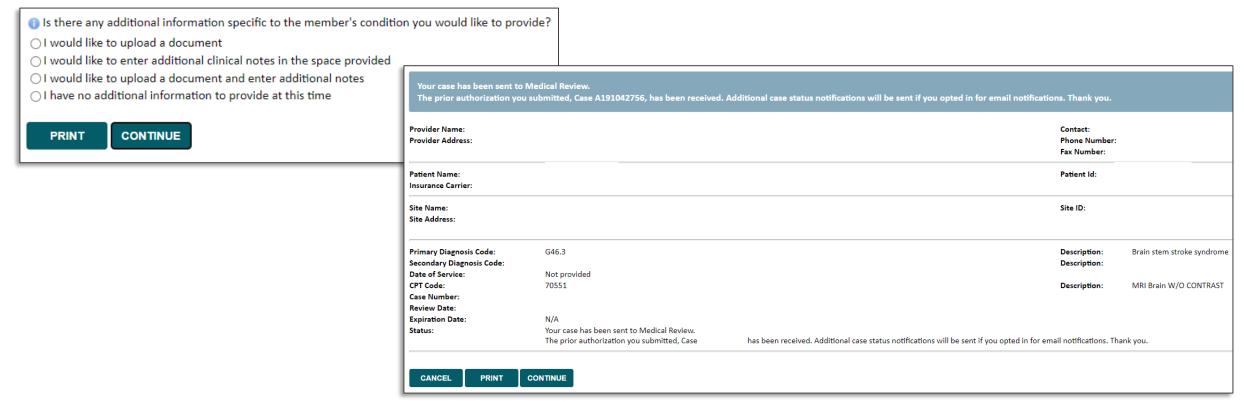


- Once the clinical pathway questions are completed and the answers have met the clinical criteria, an approval will be issued.
- You can print the certification and store in the patient's record if needed.



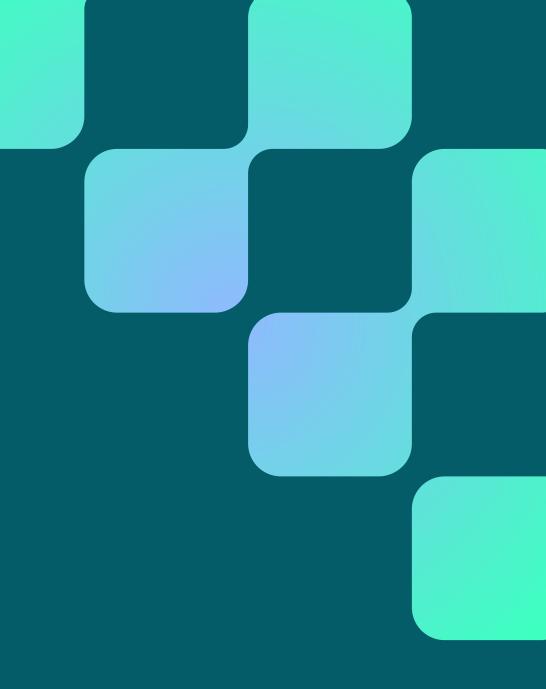
Criteria Not Met

- 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.





Provider Resources





Client and Provider Services

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

+ Email: clientservices@evicore.com

+ 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.
- + Sara Vandiver, NY/NJ
- + Email: Sara.Vandiver@evicore.com

+ Phone: **804-814-4878**.

Call Center

Call **888.910.1199**, representatives are available from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. local time.

Contact EviCore's **Dedicated Teams**



Provider Resource Website

EviCore's Client and Provider Services team maintains provider resource pages that contain client- and solution-specific educational materials to assist providers and their staff on a daily basis.

This page will include:

- + Frequently asked questions
- + Quick reference guides
- + Provider training
- + CPT code list

- + To access these helpful resources, visit

 Provider Resources
- + Contact our Client and Provider Services team via email at ClientServices@evicore.com or by phone at 1-800-646-0418 (option 4)





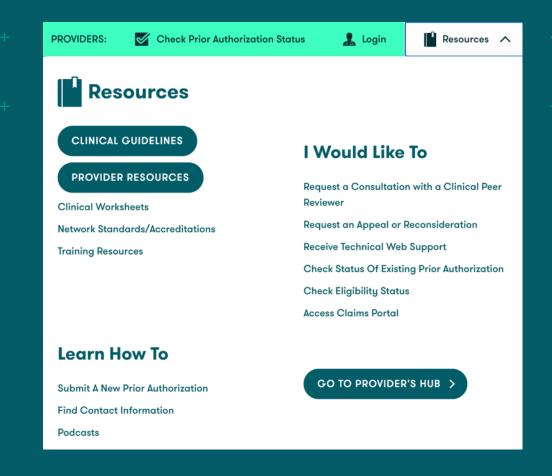
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Quick Reference Tool

Where can I locate plan-specific contact information?

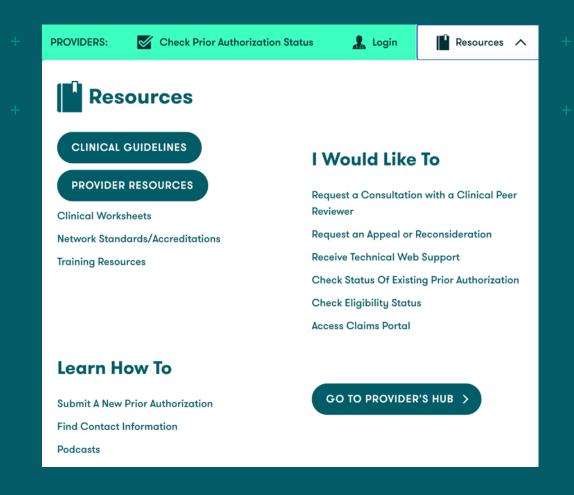
- 1. Open the **Resources** menu in the top right of the browser
- 2. Select Find Contact Information
- 3. Use Select a Health Plan and Select a Solution to populate the contact phone and fax numbers
 - + This will also advise which portal to use for case requests



EviCore Provider's Hub

Providers and staff can access important tools and resources at EviCore.com

- 1. Open the **Resources** menu in the top right of the browser
- 2. Select **GO TO PROVIDERS HUB** to access clinical guidelines, schedule consultations (P2P), and more





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 Provider Resource Review Forum 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
- + Existing prior authorization request status information
- + Search for contact information
- + Podcasts & insights
- + Training resources

Register for a Provider Resource Review Forum:

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

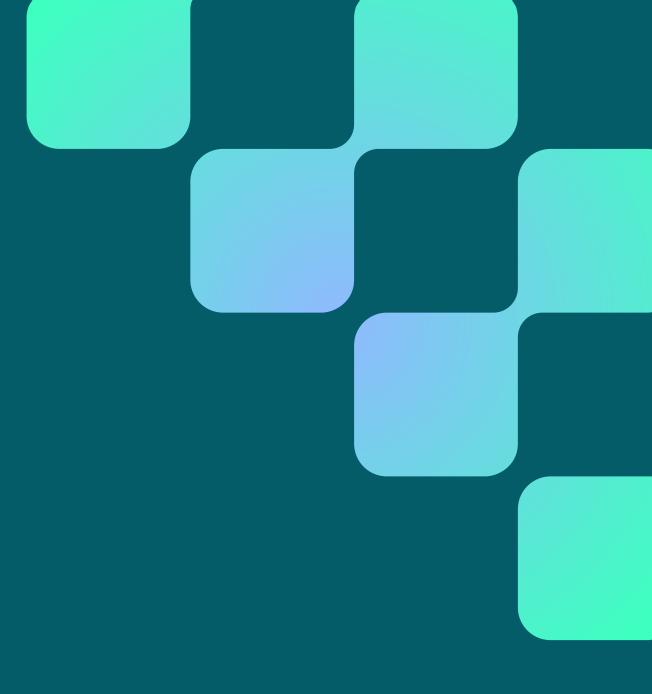
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- + Visit EviCore.com
- + Scroll down to the section titled Stay Updated With Our Provider Newsletter
- + Enter a valid email address

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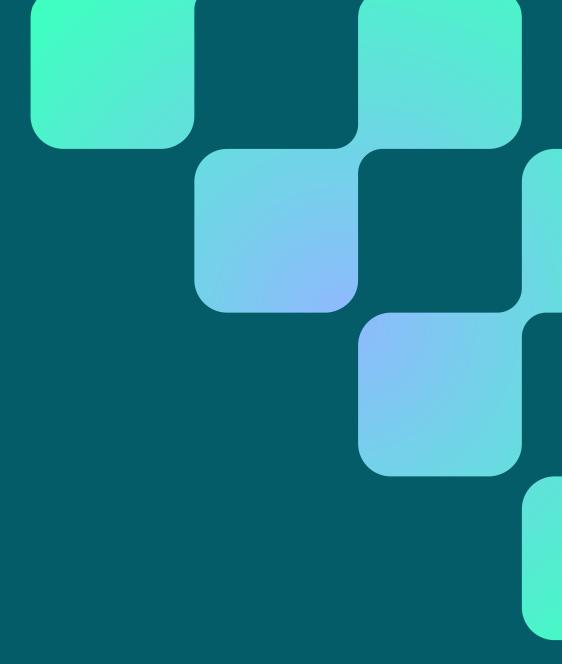


Q & A





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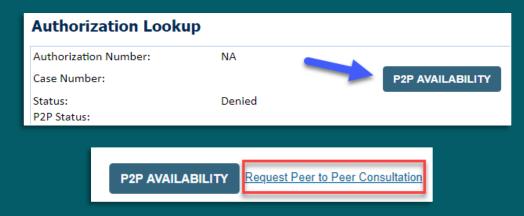
Peer-to-Peer (P2P) Scheduling Tool





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.*

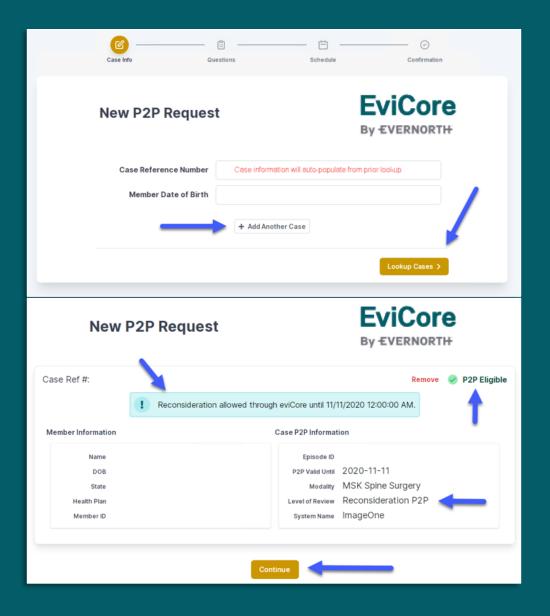




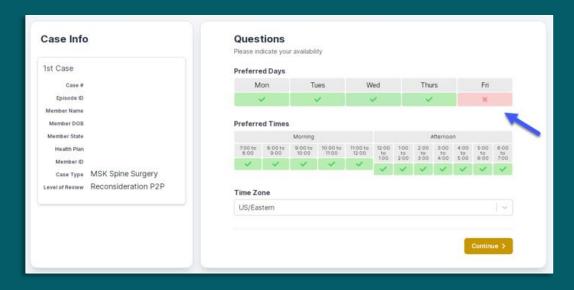
*In some instances, a Peer-to-Peer consultation is allowed, but the case decision can not be changed. In such cases, you can still request a **Consultative-Only Peer-to-Peer.** You can also click on the **ALL POST-DECISION OPTIONS** button to learn what other action can be taken.

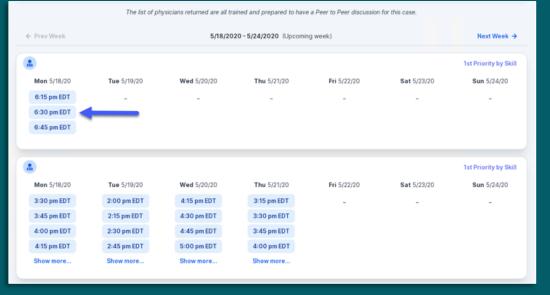
Once the **Request Peer-to-Peer Consultation** link is selected, you will be transferred to our scheduling software via a new browser window.

- 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.
- 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.

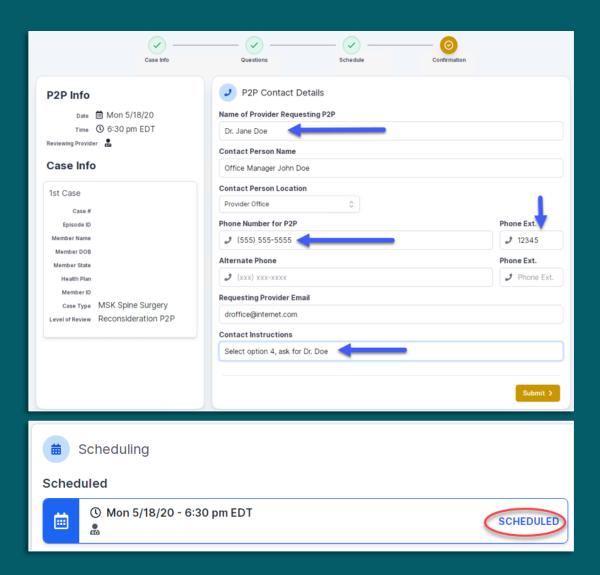


- 1. You will be prompted with a list of EviCore Physicians/Reviewers and appointment options.
- 2. Select any of the listed appointment times to continue.
- 3. You will be prompted to identify your preferred days and times for a Peer-to-Peer consultation (all opportunities will be automatically presented).
- 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.
- Confirm contact details.



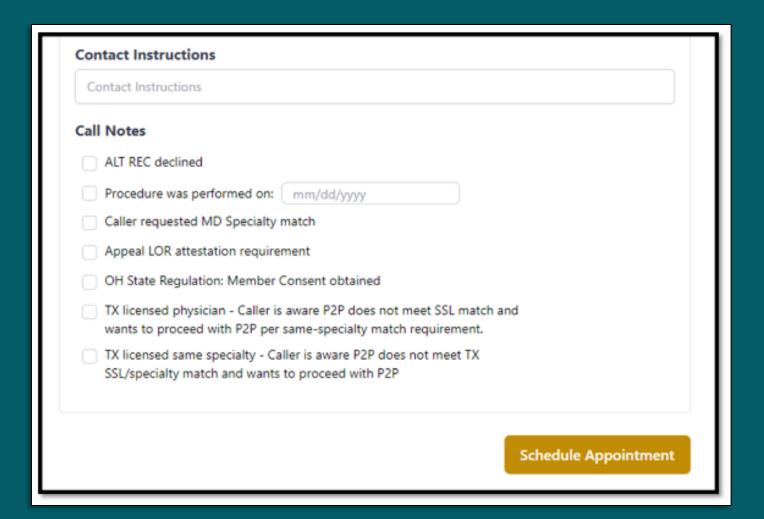
P2P Contact Details

- 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.

