

## **Provider Memorandum**

## **Coronavirus Response: Another Extension of Modified Prior Authorizations Process**

Molina Healthcare of Illinois (Molina) continues to monitor developments related to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19). After reviewing vaccination progress and new cases, Molina will continue to extend PA practices developed for the Public Health Emergency (PHE). Reference the <u>previous memo dated January</u> <u>15, 2021</u>. The extension will now be in effect **until further notice**.

Therefore, Molina has extended the following procedural changes for providers.

- 1) Any Prior Authorization (PA) that is time-limited for a procedure that was found to be medically necessary and approved may be extended **until further notice**, without need for review. This includes eviCore authorizations.
- Any therapy (PT/ST/OT) that has been approved may also be extended without additional review.
  Note: No additional visits may be approved. However, the same number of visits may be extended with the authorizations not to expire until further notification from Molina.
- Utilization Management (UM) for new procedures not previously approved and physical therapy requests must go through the normal review process but should not expire until further notification from Molina.
- 4) Providers should follow normal procedures for inpatient stays and concurrent review.

## Questions?

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