



State of Iowa Medicaid Enterprise Plan Authorization Requirements

Includes Notification Requirements; Provider Resources; and Operations & Billing Requirements

Prior Authorization Requirements				
SECTION 1: Service or Category	Amerigroup	Iowa Total Care	UnitedHealthcare	
Air or Land Ambulance	Prior authorization is required for non-emergent ambulance or air ambulance transport	Prior authorization is required for fixed wing air transport. All others, please check PA Tool.	Authorization Required if non- emergent air ambulance	
Audiology Services and Testing	No Authorization Required	No Authorization Required	Authorization not required unless hearing device is listed on the PA overview	
Bariatric Surgery	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	
Behavioral Health / Substance Abuse	(Specific categories listed belo	w)		
23-Hour Observations	No Authorization Required	Notification Required	No Authorization Required	
Applied Behavioral Assessment / Analysis	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	
Assertive Community Treatment	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	
Behavioral Health Inpatient Services	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	
Behavioral Health Outpatient Services	Authorization Required	Authorization Required if code is listed on PA Tool.	No Authorization Required	
Community Support Services	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	No Authorization Required	

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Behavioral Health / Substance Abuse	(Cont.) (Specific categories li	isted below)		
Crisis Intervention MHSA Services	No Authorization Required	No Authorization Required	No Authorization Required. Crisis Respite requires authorization.	
Day Treatment	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	
Electroconvulsive Therapy (ECT)	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	No Authorization Required	
Integrated Health Home Participation	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Providers should submit the enrollment form. Form available on <u>UHCProvider.com > Provider</u> Forms and Reference Guides > <u>Health Homes Member</u> Enrollment / Disenrollment Form	
Intensive Outpatient (IOP)	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	
Methadone Maintenance	No Authorization Required	No Authorization Required for medication. Please check PA	No Authorization Required	
MH/SUD Evaluations and Assessments	No Authorization Required	No Authorization Required	No Authorization Required	
MH/SUD Inpatient Admissions	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	
MH/SUD Outpatient Therapy	No Authorization Required	Authorization Required if code is listed on PA Tool.	No Authorization Required	
MH/SUD Therapeutic Injections	No Authorization Required	No Authorization Required	Authorization Required if code is listed on PA overview (refer to Provider Resources link below) No Authorization Required for office visits for MH/SUD therapeutic injections.	
Mobile Counseling	Authorization Required	Authorization may be required, please verify using PA Tool.	No Authorization Required	

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Partial Hospitalization (PHP)	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	
Psychoanalysis	No Authorization Required	No Authorization Required	No Authorization Required	
Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation	Not a covered service	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	
Biofeedback	Not a covered service	No Authorization Required	No Authorization Required	
Bone Growth Stimulator	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	
Breast Reconstruction (Non-Mastectomy)	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	
Cardiology	Authorization may be required depending on service requested: No authorization required for office visits with Cardiologist Authorization is required for echocardiograms	Authorization Required if code is listed on PA Tool.	Authorization Required for: electrophysiology implants, diagnostic catheterizations, and stress echoes. Reference Cardiology CPT Code List and Crosswalk available on UHCProvider.com > Prior Authorization and Notification > Cardiology Prior Authorization and Notification Program > Community Plan	
Chiropractic Care	No Authorization Required	Authorization Required	No Authorization required	
Circumcision	No Authorization Required at any age	No Authorization Required	No Authorization required	
Cochlear and Other Auditory Implants	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	

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Cosmetic, Reconstructive, or Plastic Surgery	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	
Cytogenetic, Reproductive, and Molecular Diagnostic Laboratory Testing	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	No Authorization Required	
Drug Testing		Authorization Required if code is listed on PA Tool.		
Durable Medical Equipment – Rental	Authorization Required	Authorization Required if code is listed on PA Tool.	Authorization Required for DME > \$500, if code is listed on Prior Authorization overview	
Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetic Devices, Orthotics, and Medical Supplies	Authorization Required if code is listed on PA overview (refer to PLUTO on Provide Portal)	Authorization Required if code is listed on PA Tool.	Authorization Required for DME > \$500 if code is listed on Prior Authorization overview	
Elective Hospital Outpatient Surgery	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Authorization Required if code is listed on Prior Authorization overview	
Elective Inpatient Admissions/Surgeries	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Admission Notification Required / Authorization Required	
Enteral Services (In-home nutritional therapy, either enteral or through a gastrostomy tube)	No Authorization Required	No Authorization Required. Associated DME-authorization required if code is listed on Prior Authorization Tool.	Authorization Required	
Experimental or Investigational Services	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	
Femoroacetabular Impingement Syndrome (FAI)	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	
Genetic Testing (Including BRCA)	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	

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Hearing Exams & Hearing Aids	No Authorization Required	Authorization Required if code is listed on Prior Authorization Tool.	No Authorization Required for hearing exam Authorization required for hearing aids if codes is listed on Prior Authorization overview.	
Home- and Community-Based Services (HCBS) / Long Term Services and Supports (LTSS)	Authorization Required	Authorization Required. Please verify using PA Tool.	Authorization Required through Service Plan	
Home Health Care	Authorization Required Skilled Nursing Services Occupational Therapy Physical Therapy Speech-Language Pathology Medical Social Services Private Duty Nursing / Personal Care Services Waiver Services Medical Day Services / Child Care Medical Services	Authorization Required	No Authorization Required for: Skilled Nursing Services Home Health Aide Services Occupational Therapy Physical Therapy Speech-Language Pathology Medical Social Services Authorization Required for: Private Duty Nursing / Personal Care Services Waiver Services (authorized through the member's service plan) Medical Day Services / Child Care Medical Services	
Hospice	Notification only	Authorization Required	No Authorization Required	
Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	No Authorization Required	

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SECTION 1: Service or Category	Amerigroup	Iowa Total Care	UnitedHealthcare
Hysterectomy	Authorization Required	No authorization required. Sterilization Consent Form must be completed and submitted	No Authorization Required. Consent form is required.
Infusion / Injection Therapy	Authorization Required if code is listed on Prior Authorization overview (refer to PLUTO on Provider Portal)	Authorization Required if code is listed on Prior Authorization Tool.	Authorization Required if code is listed on Prior Authorization overview
Joint Replacement	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Authorization Required
Non-Emergent ER Services	No Authorization Required	No Authorization Required	No Authorization Required
Orthognathic Surgery	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Authorization Required
Orthotics and Prosthetics	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Authorization Required if > \$500, if code is listed on Prior Authorization overview
Pain Management	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Authorization Required if code is listed on the Prior Authorization overview
Pregnancy Termination	Certificate of Medical Necessity for Abortion Form must be completed and submitted with supporting documentation with claim	No Authorization Required. Certificate of Medical Necessity for Abortion Form must be completed and submitted with supporting documentation with	Certificate of Medical Necessity for Abortion Form must be completed and submitted with supporting documentation with claim
Private Duty Nursing	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Authorization Required
Proton Beam Therapy	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Authorization Required
Radiation Therapy Management	No Authorization Required	Authorization Required	No Authorization Required

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Radiology – Advanced Outpatient Imaging: CT Scan, MRI, MRA, PET Scan, DEXA, HIDA Scans, Nuclear Medicine, and Nuclear Cardiology	Authorization Required	Authorization Required if code on Prior Authorization Tool.	Authorization Required if on Prior Authorization overview. Reference Crosswalk Table available on <u>UHCProvider.com</u> > Prior Authorization and Notification > Radiology Prior Authorization and Notification Program > Community Plan	
Psychological, Neuropsychological, Developmental	Authorization Required Psychological Testing – No Authorization Required for first 3 hours.	Authorization Required if code on Prior Authorization Tool.	Neuropsychological testing – No Authorization Required Psychological Testing – No Authorization Required up to 8 hour limit per year	
Rehabilitation Facility Admission	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	
Rhinoplasty	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	
Sinusplasty	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	
Skilled Nursing Facility Admissions	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Admission Notification Required / Prior Authorization Required	
Sleep Apnea Procedures and Surgeries	Authorization Required	Authorization Required. Please verify code using PA Tool.	Authorization Required	
Sleep Studies	Authorization Required	Authorization Required. Please verify code using PA Tool.	No Authorization Required	
Speech, Occupational, and Physical Therapy	Authorization Required	No Authorization Required for initial evaluation. Authorization	No Authorization Required	
Spinal Surgery	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	
Spinal Stimulator for Pain Management	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	

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Sterilization	Authorization (precertification) not required. Claim payment is dependent on submission of Sterilization Consent Form	Authorization not required. Claim payment is dependent on submission of Sterilization Consent Form	No Authorization Required. Sterilization consent form is required
Transportation (Non-Medical)	Authorization through Service Plan for Waiver	Authorization through Service Plan for Waiver. Please verify code using PA Tool.	Authorization through Service Plan for Waiver
Transplant	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Authorization Required
Vagus Nerve Stimulation	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Authorization Required
Vein Stimulation	Authorization Required	Authorization Required. Please verify code using PA Tool.	Authorization Required if code is listed on the Prior Authorization overview
Ventricular Assist Devices (VAD)	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Authorization Required
Wound Vac	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Authorization Required
Out-of-Network Services	Authorization Required	Authorization Required	Authorization Required

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Notification Requirements			
SECTION 2: Service or Category	Amerigroup	Iowa Total Care	UnitedHealthcare
Observation	Notification Required within 24 hours or next business day	Authorization Required	Notification not required, but is preferred
Inpatient Hospital Services	Notification and Authorization Required	Notification and Authorization Required	Admission Notification Required/Prior Authorization Required
Emergent Inpatient Admissions	Notification Required Within 24 Hours or next business day	Notification Required Within 24 Hours	Notification Required Within 24 Hours or by 5 pm the Next Business Day
Maternity Care	Notification required within three days of initial prenatal visit. Completion of Maternity Notification Form is required.	Notification required within three days of initial prenatal visit. Completion of Maternity Notification Form is required	Provide notification of a member's pregnancy status. Please call 888-650-3462 or fax an American College of Gynecology or other initial prenatal visit form to 877-353-6913
Newborn Delivery	Notification Required within 24 hours or next business day delivery. Completion of Newborn Notification of Delivery Form is required	Notification Required within 24 hours of delivery. Sick baby – authorization from date of birth	Provide notification by calling 888-650-3462 or faxing the following information to 866- 943-6474: Date of birth, Birth weight, Gender, Delivery type, and gestational age

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Provider Resources			
SECTION 3: Service or Category	Amerigroup	Iowa Total Care	UnitedHealthcare
Provider Manuals	https://providers.amerigroup.co m/IA/Pages/ia.aspx	Iowa Total Care Provider Manual	https://www.uhcprovider.com/en/admin-guides/cp-admin-manuals.html > lowa
Quick Reference Guide	https://providers.amerigroup.co m/ProviderDocuments/IAIA QR C.pdf	www.iowatotalcare.com/providers -	https://www.uhcprovider.com/cont ent/dam/provider/docs/public/com mplan/ia/resources/IA-UHCCP- Provider-Quick-Reference- Guide.pdf
Training PowerPoints	https://providers.amerigroup.co m/IA/Pages/ia.aspx	Iowa Total Care Provider Training	https://www.uhcprovider.com/en/health-plans-by-state/iowa-health-plans/ia-comm-plan-home/ia-cp-training.html training.html
Prior Authorization Review	https://providers.amerigroup.co m/IA/Pages/ia.aspx	Prior Authorization Check Tool	https://www.uhcprovider.com/en/health-plans-by-state/iowa-health-plans/ia-comm-plan-home/ia-cp-prior-auth.html

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Operations and Billing Requirements			
SECTION 4: Service or Category	Amerigroup	Iowa Total Care	UnitedHealthcare
Web Portal	www.availity.com	https://www.iowatotalcare.com/	www.uhcprovider.com/iaprovider
Secure Web Portal	Link to initiate first step in accessing it is: https://apps.availity.com/availity/web/public.elegant.login? source=MBU Please note lowa Providers have a secure provider portal (Availity + PSS) and access the system through www.availity.com_or https://providers.amerigroup. com/ia. Providers will need to register through Availity to obtain system access to the secure site	https://www.iowatotalcare.com/	www.uhcprovider.com/Link
Utilization Management – Concurrent Review	Required	Required	Required: Healthy First Steps manages concurrent review for newborn's extended stay. MCG used for concurrent review for other populations

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Operations and Billing Requirements				
SECTION 4: Service or Category	Amerigroup	Iowa Total Care	UnitedHealthcare	
Transportation (Non-Emergent)	Vendor: LogistiCare (should be scheduled 3 days in advance) 844-544-1389 Reservations 844-544-1390 Ride Assist	Vendor: Access2Care Hours: 7:00AM-6:00PM To schedule a non- emergency medical transportation trip, please lowa Total Care Member Services at 833-404- 1061	Vendor: MTM, Inc. To schedule a Non- Emergency Medical Transportation trip, please call MTM at 888-513-1613	
OB Billing Requirements	OB services must be billed separately (antepartum, delivery, and post-partum care CPT codes, instead of global OB CPT codes)	OB services must be billed separately	Following OB Billing Requirements as outlined in the IME Maternity Billing Guidelines	
Timely Filing	180 days from the date of services or date of Primary Payor's RA	180 days from the date of services or date of Primary Payor's RA	180 days from the date of services or date of Primary Payor's RA	
Secondary Payor Timely Filing	180 days from the date of the primary payor's EOP	180 days from the date of the primary payor's EOP	180 days from the date of the primary payor's EOB (per contract)	
Corrected Claim Timely Filing	Corrected claims and additional information must be submitted within 180 days of the request	180 Days Timely Guidelines	Corrected claims and additional information must be submitted within 365 days from the RA.	

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Timely Reconsideration	Claim payment appeals based on retrospective medical necessity reviews require all pertinent information must be submitted within 365 days of a claim disposition. Submit requests for claims payment appeals in writing to Amerigroup within 60 days of the date you receive your RA.	180 days from claim disposition	Claim Reconsideration must be submitted within 365 days from the date of the original RA
Timely Formal Appeal	Provider disputes must be submitted within 120 days of receipt of Amerigroup's RA	Reconsiderations are accepted in writing within 180 days from the date on the EOP or PRA Claim payment appeals are accepted in writing within 30 days from the date of determination letter or EOP/PRA resulting from reconsideration action.	Grievances may be filed by the member, or their Authorized Representative, at anytime Pre-service appeals must be submitted by the member, or their Authorized Representative, within 60 days from the initial notice of decision. Post-service claims disputes and appeals must be submitted within 365 days from the RA.

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Plan Benefits				
SECTION 5: Service or Category	Amerigroup	Iowa Total Care	UnitedHealthcare	
Pharmacy	PBM – ExpressScripts Prescriptions are covered according to the State's Preferred Drug List (PDL)	PBM – Envolve Pharmacy Solutions Prescriptions are covered according to the State's Preferred Drug List (PDL)	PBM – OptumRx Prescriptions are covered according to the State's Preferred Drug List (PDL)	
Non-Covered Benefits (Carve Outs)	Dental services outside of a hospital setting remain covered by the Iowa Dental Program. Amerigroup contracts with Superior Vision Care to provide covered routine and emergency vision services. Non-covered services: Cosmetic surgery; experimental or investigational procedures, services that are not medically necessary; sex change surgery or treatments; surgery or drugs to enhance fertility. Non-covered services also include any instance when the precertification for a service was not granted, or the service was provided before precertification was given.		Vision (routine) – Superior Vision Dental – Dental services outside of a hospital setting remain covered by the lowa Dental Program.	

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