

Provider Update

Additional Radiation Oncology Prior Authorizations Should Be Directed to AIM Effective July 1, 2016

Prior authorization of outpatient radiation therapy services for Amerigroup* Community Care individual Medicare Advantage members is administered by AIM Specialty Health® (AIM).

AIM reviews certain treatment plans against clinical appropriateness criteria to help ensure that care aligns with established medical best practices. Effective July 1, 2016, providers should contact AIM to request prior authorization for the radiation therapy modalities and services listed below:

- Fractions (number of treatments) for patients with breast cancer or bone metastases
- Image Guided Radiation Therapy (IGRT)
- Special consults and procedures associated with radiation therapy (CPT codes 77370 and 77470)

Providers should continue to contact AIM to request prior authorization for the radiation therapy modalities and services listed below:

- Intensity Modulated Radiation Therapy (IMRT)
- 3D Conformal/ External Beam Radiation Therapy (EBRT)
- Brachytherapy
- Proton Beam Therapy
- Stereotactic body radiation therapy (SBRT) and Stereotactic radiosurgery (SRS)

Radiation therapy performed as part of an inpatient admission will continue to be reviewed through Amerigroup inpatient precertification process.

To submit your request, go to the AIM **ProviderPortal**_{sm} at www.aimspecialtyhealth.com/goweb. From the dropdown menu, select Amerigroup MA. For additional assistance you may also call AIM toll free at 800-714-0040, Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Central Time.

Coverage of services will continue to be subject to all of the terms and conditions of the member's health benefit plan and applicable law.

For questions regarding these changes, please contact AIM at 800-714-0040.

For more information:

Go to www.aimprovider.com/radoncology.

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Amerivantage is a DSNP plan with a Medicare contract and a contract with the State Medicaid program. In New Mexico: Amerivantage is an HMO with a Medicare contract. Enrollment in Amerivantage depends on contract renewal.

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