

Provider Update

Behavioral health: Authorization requirement changes

Summary of change: As part of our goal of being easy to do business with, effective December 1, 2015 Amerigroup Community Care has updated our Precertification Lookup Tool (PLUTO) to more accurately reflect the current behavioral health authorization process for our Medicaid products. As a result of this update and effective December 1, 2015, certain behavioral health services will now require authorization.

What is the impact of this change?

Effective December 1, 2015, the codes listed below have been updated in PLUTO to show that authorization is required for the service.

Procedure Code	Service Description
H0012	Alcohol and/or drug services; Sub-acute Detoxification (Residential Addiction Program Outpatient)
H0013	Alcohol and/or drug services; Acute Detoxification (Residential Addiction Program Outpatient)
H0018	Behavioral health; short-term residential (non-hospital residential treatment program), without room and board, per diem.

Medicaid Psychological and Neuropsychological Testing

Historically we have not required authorization for psychological and neuropsychological testing for Medical purposes. Effective December 1, 2015, authorization will be required, regardless of the submitted diagnosis, for the testing procedures noted below.

Procedure Code	Service Description
96101	Psychological Testing
96102	Psychological Testing by Technician
96103	Psychological Testing by Computer
96118	Neuropsychological Testing
96119	Neuropsychological Testing by Technician
96120	Neuropsychological Testing by Computer

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