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Elective one and two vessel coronary artery bypass graft to require prior authorization

Summary: Effective January 1, 2017, elective one and two vessel coronary artery bypass graft (CABG) will require prior authorization (PA).

What is the impact of this change?

Amerigroup Washington, Inc. will require PA for the elective one and two vessel CABG beginning January 1, 2017. Please refer to the provider self-service website for detailed PA requirements (<https://providers.amerigroup.com/WA> > Provider Resources & Documents > Quick Tools > Precertification Lookup Tool).

To request PA, contact us via phone (1-800-454-3730), fax (1-800-964-3627) or the provider website.

In review of these services, this market currently uses the Interqual criteria; therefore, the Utilization Review team will utilize the Interqual Procedures criteria for CABG.

What if I need assistance?

If you have questions about this communication, received this fax in error or need assistance with any other item, contact your local Provider Relations representative or call Provider Services at 1-800-454-3730.