

# PRIOR AUTHORIZATION REQUESTS

## OVERVIEW

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This manual provides a list of services by services type and HCPCS code that require prior authorization. In addition to the services listed below, some services may require prior authorization for other reasons such as exceeding a service limit. Prior authorization criteria is listed in the applicable manual and links to the criteria are provided below.

South Dakota Medicaid has 30 days to make a prior authorization determination. However, in most circumstances' authorizations can be completed in less time, usually around 2 weeks. Prior authorization is only required for the elective services listed below. Urgent or emergent care is exempt from prior authorization requirements. Retro authorizations can be requested after the service is provided if care was suspected to be urgent/emergent at the time but will be billed as elective.

If an inpatient hospitalization admission is the result of an emergent or urgent situation, or is a transfer situation, the Prior Authorization Request Form should be submitted within 48 hours and authorizations will be expedited and completed within 2 business days of the request. No prior authorization is needed for the transportation. Please refer to the [transportation manuals](#) for transportation coverage requirements.

Only one prior authorization is needed for a hospital stay. Physician and other licensed practitioner services are included as part of the prior authorization for the inpatient stay. A prior authorization will be issued to the prior authorization contact for the inpatient facility for the dates of the approved hospital stay. In addition to the hospital facility, this authorization must be shared with all physicians to use for visits billed during that hospital stay.

Most out-of-state services require prior authorization. The out-of-state prior authorization requirement does not apply to telemedicine services if the recipient is located in South Dakota at the time of the service and the provider is located outside of the State. If the service otherwise requires a prior authorization, the provider is still required to obtain prior authorization prior to providing the service. For questions regarding services rendered by an out-of-state provider please refer to the [Out-of-State Providers manual](#).

## REQUEST DOCUMENTATION

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All prior authorization requests must be submitted with the following information:

- Appropriate prior authorization request form:
  - [BRCA](#)
  - [Applied Behavior Analysis Therapy](#)
  - [Private Duty Nursing & Extended Home Health Services](#)
  - [Durable Medical Equipment](#)
  - [Medical Nutrition](#)
  - [Out-of-State Services](#)
  - [Long Term Acute Care \(LTAC\) And Out-Of-State Rehab](#)
  - [Genetic Testing](#)
  - [Incontinence Supply Family Support 360 Waiver](#)
  - [Incontinence Supply Supply HOPE Waiver](#)
  - [Incontinence Supply ADLS Support 360 Waiver](#)

- [Incontinence Supply CHOICES Waiver](#)
- Physician Administered Drugs, Vaccines and Immunizations – see individual forms for each product on our [Physician Administered Drugs, Vaccines and Immunizations page](#)
- [General](#) (Use if there is not a specific form for the requested service)
- Medical documentation, including medical records, to support medical necessity;
- Prescriptions.
- Any additional documentation required by South Dakota Medicaid as listed in the prior authorization criteria.

## SUBMISSION

Prior Authorizations requests should be submitted to South Dakota Medicaid via secure email. Use secure email to send completed documentation to [DSSMedicaidPA@state.sd.us](mailto:DSSMedicaidPA@state.sd.us)

If secure email is unavailable, mail or fax completed documentation to:

South Dakota Department of Social Services  
Division of Medical Services  
Attn: Prior Authorization  
700 Governors Drive  
Pierre SD 57501

Fax – 605-773-5246

## DENIED REQUESTS

Requests that are denied always include an explanation of the reason for denial, as well as instructions for recipients to exercise the right to appeal within 30 days of the date of the letter if desired. Providers may make a second prior authorization request with new medical records or documentation. Any time new requests and records are submitted, South Dakota Medicaid will consider the new records to make a new prior authorization determination.

## SERVICES REQUIRING PRIOR AUTHORIZATION BY SERVICE TYPE

Service	Criteria Location	Form
<b>Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) Therapy Services</b>	<a href="#">Applied Behavior Analysis Services</a>	<a href="#">Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>Bariatric Surgery</b>	<a href="#">Surgical Services</a>	<a href="#">General Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>Bone Growth Stimulators</b>	<a href="#">Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies</a>	<a href="#">DME Prior Authorization Request Form</a>

<b>Breast Pump (Hospital Grade Electric Breast Pump)</b>	<a href="#">Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies</a>	<a href="#">DME Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>Breast Reconstruction</b>	<a href="#">Surgical Services</a>	<a href="#">General Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>Breast Reduction</b>	<a href="#">Surgical Services</a>	<a href="#">General Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>Care Management For Rehabilitation Units</b>	<a href="#">Inpatient Hospital Services</a>	<a href="#">General Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>Care Management Psychiatric Units</b>	<a href="#">Inpatient Hospital Services</a>	<a href="#">Out-of-State Prior Authorization Request Form</a>  <a href="#">General Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>CAR T Cell Therapy</b>	<a href="#">Physician Administered Drugs Vaccines and Immunizations</a>	<a href="#">General Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>Cochlear Implant</b>	<a href="#">Surgical Services</a>	<a href="#">General Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>Continuous Glucose Monitoring Policy</b>	<a href="#">Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies</a>	<a href="#">DME Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>Continuous Passive Motion Devices</b>	<a href="#">Surgical Services</a>	<a href="#">DME Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>Cough Stimulating Devices</b>	<a href="#">Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies</a>	<a href="#">DME Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>EPSDT</b>	<a href="#">Well Child, Well Adult, and Other Preventative Services</a>	<a href="#">General Prior Authorization Request Form</a>  <a href="#">DME Prior Authorization Request Form</a>  <a href="#">Nutrition Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>Gait Trainers</b>	<a href="#">Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies</a>	<a href="#">DME Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>Genetic Testing</b>	<a href="#">Laboratory and Pathology Services</a>	<a href="#">Genetic Testing Prior Authorization Request Form</a>  <a href="#">BRCA Testing Prior Authorization Request Form</a>

<b>High Frequency Chest Wall Compression Or Intrapulmonary Percussive Ventilation Devices</b>	<a href="#">Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies</a>	<a href="#">DME Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy</b>	<a href="#">Outpatient Hospital Services</a>	<a href="#">General Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>Hysterectomy</b>	<a href="#">Sterilization</a>	<a href="#">Hysterectomy Acknowledgement of Information</a>
<b>Implanted Nerve Stimulators</b>	<a href="#">Surgical Services</a>	<a href="#">General Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>Long Term Acute Care</b>	<a href="#">Inpatient Hospital Services</a>	<a href="#">General Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>Low Air Loss / Pressure Reduction Therapy</b>	<a href="#">Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies</a>	<a href="#">DME Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>Lymphedema Pumps</b>	<a href="#">Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies</a>	<a href="#">DME Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>Magnetoencephalography (Meg) And Magnetic Source Imaging (Msi)</b>	<a href="#">Outpatient Hospital Services</a>	<a href="#">General Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>Medically Complex / Rehab For Children</b>	<a href="#">Inpatient Hospital Services</a>	<a href="#">General Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>Mental Health Visits Beyond The Coverage Limit</b>	<a href="#">Independent Mental Health Practitioners</a>	<a href="#">General Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>Mental Health Visits For Children Under 2 Years Of Age</b>	<a href="#">Community Mental Health Centers</a>	<a href="#">General Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>Negative Pressure Wound Therapy Pumps V.A.C.</b>	<a href="#">Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies</a>	<a href="#">DME Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>Neonatal Intensive Care Unit</b>	<a href="#">Inpatient Hospital Services</a>	<a href="#">General Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>Nutrition Therapy</b>	<a href="#">Nutritional Therapy Services and Nutrition Supplements</a>	<a href="#">Nutrition Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>Out-Of-State Services</b>	<a href="#">Out-of-State Providers</a>	<a href="#">Out-of-State Prior Authorization Request Form</a>

<b>Panniculectomy</b>	<a href="#">Surgical Services</a>	<a href="#">General Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>Physician Administered Drugs, Vaccines and Immunizations</b>	<a href="#">Physician Administered Drugs, Vaccines and Immunizations</a>	Individualized per product
<b>Private Duty Nursing</b>	<a href="#">Private Duty Nursing</a>	<a href="#">Private Duty Nursing &amp; Extended Home Health Services Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facilities (PRTF)</b>	<a href="#">Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facilities</a>	<a href="#">State Review Team Facilitator Megan Newling</a> Phone: 605-773-3448
<b>Questionably Cosmetic Procedures</b>	<a href="#">Surgical Services</a>	<a href="#">General Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>Removal Of Excess Skin</b>	<a href="#">Surgical Services</a>	<a href="#">General Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>Specialty Mobility Devices</b>	<a href="#">Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies</a>	<a href="#">DME Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>Speech Generating Device</b>	<a href="#">Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies</a>	<a href="#">DME Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>Spinal Surgery</b>	<a href="#">Surgical Services</a>	<a href="#">General Prior Authorization Request Form</a>
<b>Sterilization</b>	<a href="#">Sterilization</a>	<a href="#">Sterilization Consent Form</a>
<b>Transplants</b>	<a href="#">Surgical Services</a>	<a href="#">General Prior Authorization Request Form</a>

## SERVICES REQUIRING PRIOR AUTHORIZATION BY HCPCS

Services that require a prior authorization are identified at the HCPCS level in the [Procedure Code Look-Up Tool](#).

## REFERENCES

- [Administrative Rule of South Dakota \(ARSD\)](#)
- [South Dakota Medicaid State Plan](#)
- [Code of Federal Regulations](#)