



This requirement has been postponed. Please see [Web Announcement 1692](#) for updated information.

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Web Announcement 1684

Prior Authorization Required for Radiology Scans

Effective on claims with dates of service on or after August 1, 2018, prior authorization (PA) is required for medically necessary Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI), Magnetic Resonance Angiography (MRA), Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy (MRS) and Positron Emission Tomography (PET) scans.

The PA requirement applies to provider types 12 (Hospital, Outpatient), 20 (Physician, M.D., Osteopath, D.O.), 22 (Dentist), 24 (Advanced Practice Registered Nurse), 27 (Radiology and Non-Invasive Diagnostic Centers) and 77 (Physician's Assistant).

Claims for the above services with dates of service on or after August 1, 2018, and before October 29, 2018, that paid when no PA was present, will be automatically reprocessed. A future web announcement will notify providers when any claims are reprocessed.

The Billing Guide for Provider Type 27 (Radiology) has been updated to reflect the PA requirement. The Billing Guide is posted on the [Providers Billing Information](#) webpage.