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Nevada Medicaid Web Announcement 3067

COVID-19 UNWIND:

COVID-19 Prior Authorization Requirements Changing

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services is ending the COVID-19 public health emergency on May 11, 2023. All flexibilities will also be ending on May 11, 2023, as published in [Web Announcement 3049](#). The flexibility that waived prior authorization requirements related to COVID-19 testing and treatment is included in the changes (see Item #17 in the COVID-19 Unwind – Nevada Medicaid 1135 Flexibilities Table in Web Announcement 3049). Therefore, starting on May 12, 2023, any prior authorization requirements for COVID-19 testing and/or treatment, such as hospital admissions or continued hospital stay, will be reinstated. For example, if a recipient is admitted to a hospital for an inpatient stay on May 5 and is still in the hospital on May 11, and a continued stay is expected, a prior authorization will be required for the continued stay starting May 12.

All Nevada Medicaid Fee-For-Service (FFS) billing guides, including the COVID-19 General Billing Guide, can be found on the Providers Billing Information webpage at: <https://www.medicaid.nv.gov/providers/BillingInfo.aspx>.

For additional COVID-19 information, please see the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP) COVID-19 webpage at: <https://dhcfnv.gov/covid19/>. A Member Outreach page is available with resources related to COVID-19 that providers and partners can distribute to members. The page is available at: <https://dhcfnv.gov/Pgms/CPT/COVID-19/MemberOutreach/> As a reminder, anyone can sign up to receive emails directly from Nevada Medicaid about a variety of topics. ListSrvs are available for members and providers [here](#).