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Web Announcement 401

Urgent Clarification for Behavioral Health Providers: Do Not Use APIs on Prior Authorization Requests Dates of Service On/After Aug. 1, 2011

Prior authorization (PA) requests for all behavioral health QMHP, QMHA and QBA services (new initial requests or additional/subsequent requests) with a beginning **date of service on/after Aug. 1, 2011, will not be authorized** on an Atypical Provider Identifier (API).

The group/billing National Provider Identifier (NPI) must be used on these PA requests submitted by provider types 14 (Behavioral Health Outpatient Treatment) and 82 (Behavioral Health Rehabilitative Treatment).