

Authorization Request: Provider User's Guide



# **Table of Contents**

Introduction	1
Supported Web Browsers	1
Requesting a new user account	1
Authorization Request Workflow	2
About this manual	2
Diagnosis Only Workflow Chart	2
Procedure Code Workflow Chart	2
Authorization Request Steps	3
Starting an authorization request	3
Who is the provider requesting pre-authorization?	3
What is the Request Type?	3
Who is the patient requiring the pre-authorization?	4
What is the patient's diagnosis?	4
What procedure(s) are requested in this authorization?	5
At which facility does the service need to be performed?	5
Who is the servicing provider for the service?	6
Are there any other details?	6
Tips for Finding a Provider	7
Find a provider, patient or facility ID	7
Tips for Finding and Selecting a Code	8
Tips for selecting procedure and diagnosis codes	8
Looking up codes	8
Navigating the code results	8
Providing Additional Information	10
Update the number of requested units for a code-level level of care	10
Update additional information for a procedure code	10
Attaching Documentation Tips  Attach a file to a new gutherization request	11
Attach a file to a new authorization request	11 11
Attach a file in response to a message Tips for attaching files	11
Document Clinical Indications	12
Document clinical indications for codes	12
Authorization code detail box	12
Authorization Request Clinical Indication page	12
Authorization Guideline Search page	12
Authorization Request No Guideline Applies page	12
OB Clinical Indications	13
Clinical Indication Notes	14
Add a Clinical Indication Note	14
Indication Definitions	14
Edit Indications	15
Edit indications of a draft authorization request	15
Submit / Cancel Authorization Request	16
Submit a completed authorization request	16
Cancel an authorization request	16
Tips about submitting an authorization request	16
Manage the authorization request queue	17
Filtering request queue	18
Find a review a request	18
Request status types	18
Authorization request ID number	18
Filter authorization request list	18
Tips for filtering authorization request list	18
Messages	19
Manage authorization request messages	19
View messages	19
Reply to messages and Compose	19

# Introduction

This authorization request website is a service of Cite AutoAuth Module that is provided by Children's Community Health Plan (CCHP) to speed authorization of patient care.

Use this website to:

- Prepare and submit an authorization request electronically
- Receive immediate notification of whether the authorization request was approved, denied, or held for further review

### On this website, you can perform the following actions:

- Request a new user account
- Start an authorization request
- Provide additional information
- Document clinical indications
- Submit a complete authorization request
- Manage the auto authorization queue
- Manage auto authorization messages
- Manage document attachments

#### **Contact Information**

You may call CCHP at 414-266-5747 with any questions about the provider portal registration.

#### We welcome your feedback

We value your feedback on this manual. Please forward any corrections, questions, and comments to us by email at <u>cchp-providernews@chw.org</u>.

#### Supported Web browsers

The following browsers in a Windows environment are supported:

- Microsoft Internet Explorer 8, 9, 10
- Google Chrome

If you are not using a compatible browser, a warning message will appear at the top of the page.

If you ignore the message, application functionality should be largely unaffected, but you may experience page layout irregularities. To stop the error message from appearing on all pages, you must close it on two pages. Select the "Close" link on the message when it appears on the login page and on the main page of the application. After being closed for both instances, the message will remain closed for the duration of your session. The next time you log in, the message will reappear. Removing the message for a session does not change the fact that you are using a browser that is not supported. See your administrator about upgrading to a supported browser.

### Request a new user account

1. CCHP providers should confirm with their administrator if they need to register online or if the Site Administrator will register for the provider.

#### Note: the first person signing in will be deemed the Site Administrator.

- 2. Complete the form. All fields on the form must be completed, and the facility's tax ID number is required.
- 3. After submitting the form, you'll receive a confirmation email of the submission.
- 4. Within 30 minutes of submitting the form, you'll receive an email to verify your email address. Click on the link to verify your email address is valid.
- 5. You will receive an "Email Verification Completed" email to the email address you provided.
- 6. In approximately 3 business days, you will receive your user login information and password.
- 7. Site Administrators may register additional users for their facilities at any time after they have registered. An individual user will follow the above steps for email verification and login.

# **Authorization Request Workflow**

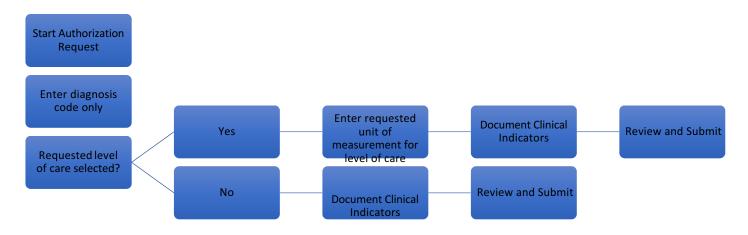
#### **About this Manual**

Use these general steps to create and submit an authorization

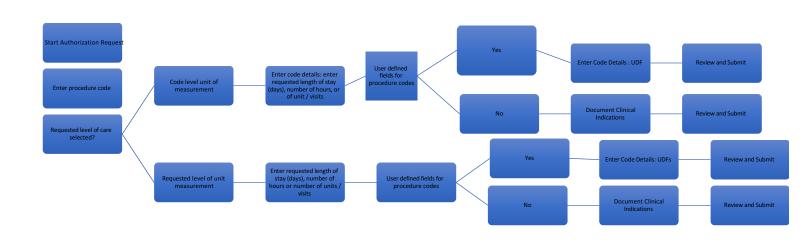
request: Create the core authorization request, in which you identify the request type, patient, providers, procedure and diagnosis codes, date and place of requested services, and so on.

- 2. Provide additional information as specified by CCHP, if required.
- 3. Document the clinical indications for each code to be authorized.
- 4. Review and then submit the authorization request. You will receive the initial response back from CCHP. The following diagrams illustrate the general workflow for creating and submitting an authorization request

#### Authorization Request Workflow – diagnosis only



### Authorization request workflow- procedure code



Chorus Community Health Plans is responsible for providing all medically necessary covered services under BadgerCare Plus and its Marketplace and Commercial products. Some services may require a doctor's order, a prior authorization, or a copayment.

# **Authorization Request Steps**

When you create an authorization request, you begin by specifying the core information of the request:

- 1. Requesting provider
- 2. Request type
- 3. Patient
- Codes for one or more diagnoses and/or procedures

- 5. Facility (if known)
- 6. Requested level of care
- 7. Attending provider

#### Step 1

Select the Authorization Request tab to open the first page of the Authorization Request



**Authorization Request - Request Form** 

#### Step 2

- Who is the provider requesting pre-authorization?
  - o Type the name of the requesting Provider or your CareWeb unique ID number. A dropdown listing of possible matches will appear. Select yours for it to populate the other fields.

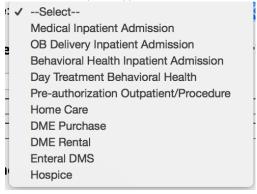


- Each provider has a unique ID number that may be entered in the Provider Search field. If you don't know the provider, you may enter "Pro-Unknown" in the field.
- o If two records have the same name, and you need more information to determine which record is the correct one, move your mouse over the information icon (1) located at the end of a record ID. A small information window appears, displaying the ID number, name, and address details for that record. Patient records also display the date of birth. Note that the "Patient Record Selector" window also lists the plan eligibility dates. To close the window, simply move the mouse away from the information icon. The 1 may not appear with some browsers; hover near the end of the unique provider number and the information will appear.
- o Tap the information icon to open the information window. Tap the window to close it.

#### Step 3

What is the Request

Type? Select the Request Type from the list



#### Step 3 Continued

- o Pre-authorization, outpatient procedures
  - Select this option when requesting a procedure that is noted on the Prior Authorization List for CCHP (https://childrenscommunityhealthplan.org/cchp). A primary diagnosis code must be entered and all procedure codes that are being requested. The procedure codes will need to be documented.
- Medical inpatient admission
  - Select this option when requesting an admission authorization. First, enter a primary diagnosis code, which need to be documented. There is the option to enter additional diagnosis codes, which you can (but are not required to) document. You also have the option to enter procedure codes, but you cannot document them.

#### Step 4

• Whois the patienting the or D number. The patient's date of birth (DOB), Eligibility and Address text boxes will authorize the patient of birth (DOB), Eligibility and Address text boxes will authorize the patient of birth (DOB).



#### Step 5

- What is the patient's diagnosis?
  - Add one or more diagnosis codes. If a red asterisk is present, at least one diagnosis code is required. You can always add optional (non-required) diagnosis codes:
  - Select the type of code from the Code Type list.
  - o Only ICD-10 codes will be accepted
  - \* Note: Any diagnosis code that doesn't generate a description is an indication that the code is invalid.



- Two options for entering a diagnosis code:
  - 1. Type all or part of the diagnosis code in the Code text box.
  - 2. Type all or part of the diagnosis code description in the Description text box.
- o Select the Add button. One of the following things will happen:
  - 1. If a single, exact match is found for the code or description you provided, the code and description are automatically added to your authorization request.
  - 2. If there is more than one possible match to the code or description you provided, a window opens with a list of codes. Locate the code you want in the list and select the corresponding link to add it to your authorization request.
- o If there is no match, a message appears indicating nothing was found and asking if you want the code to be used as entered. Click OK to save the code as entered.
- o If listing multiple diagnoses, select the Primary option for the code that is the primary reason for the authorization request.
- Clear the Documentable check box if you do not want to document a non- primary diagnosis.
- o If the Documentable check box for the primary diagnosis is automatically selected and is inactive, you cannot clear it. You must document the diagnosis code.
- Repeat these steps until you have added all of the diagnosis codes relevant to this request.

\*Note: You can remove codes at any time by selecting the Delete link for the code. You can also select Close to leave the Search Results window without selecting a code.

Step 6

- What procedure(s) are requested in this Authorization?
  - Add one or more procedure codes if the request type is Procedure Pre-authorization or a type that requires a procedure code. If a red asterisk is present, at least one procedure code is required. You must add all codes requested that require an authorization
    - 1. Select the type of code from the Code Type list.



- 2. Do one of the following:
  - Type all or part of the procedure code in the Code text box.
  - Type all or part of the procedure code description in the Description text box.
- 3. Select the Add button. One of the following things will happen:
  - If a single, exact match is found for the code or description you provided, the code and description are automatically added to your authorization request.
  - If there is more than one possible match to the code or description you provided, a window opens with a list of codes. Locate the code you want in the list and select the corresponding Select link to add it to your authorization request.
  - If there is no match, a message appears, informing you that nothing was found and asking if you want the code to be used as entered. Click OK to save the code as entered.
- 4. Select the Primary option button if this code is the primary procedure for the authorization request. If you enter only a single code, the system automatically selects the Primary option.
- 5. Clear the Documentable check box for non-primary procedure codes you do not want to document.
- 6. Repeat these steps until you have added all of the procedure codes relevant to this request.
- Note: Do not complete if the request type is inpatient (medical: OB or behavioral health). You can remove codes at any time by selecting the Delete link for the code.

#### Step 7

- At which facility does the service need to be performed?
  - o For inpatient select the location where member has been admitted.
  - For all other request types select the facility location of the auth request creator.
  - Provide information about the place and date of the requested service: (Name and address auto-fill).
  - o Type or select from the calendar the Date of Service.
  - Select the Requested Level of Care from the list Inpatient, Outpatient or Observation.



- If the selected Requested Level of Care has a unit of measurement at the request level, type the requested length of care in the unit of measurement field that appears (number of hours, days, or units/visits). If it has a unit of measurement at the code level, the unit of measurement field appears on a different page.
  - The default unit of measurement for an Inpatient Requested Level of Care is Requested Length of Stay (number of days) and appears on the request page.

- The default unit of measurement for an Outpatient Requested Level of Care is units or visits, and appears on a different page.
- Select the Mark as Urgent check box to indicate the authorization request needs immediate review.
  - An "Urgent Request" is defined as a service where the normal processing time of 15 days for
    routine and not life-threatening determinations could seriously jeopardize the life, health or safety
    of the member. The condition would subject the member to adverse health consequences without
    the care or treatment that is the subject of the request.
  - You can change the Mark as Urgent setting (whether selected or cleared) prior to submitting the authorization request, but not after.

#### Step 8

- Who is the servicing provider for the service?
  - o Type or select the servicing provider, using name or ID number. (Name and address auto-fill)



o For inpatient, the servicing provider can be the medical doctor or the facility the member is admitted to. For any other request type its the billing entity.

#### Step 9

- Are there any other details?
  - o In the text box, provide any nonclinical notes about the case that you think should be considered when making the authorization decision. The maximum allowed is 2500 characters.



- Date format required: mm/dd/yyyy
  - mm: 2 digit month, with a leading zero
  - dd: 2 digit day, with a leading zero
  - yyyy: 4 digit year

### Step 10

- Please provide the following additional information:
  - o Please include the contact information for the Utilization Management Nurse that CCHP should contact for more clinical information.
  - o This step is required.



#### Step 11

When the page is complete, select Next. If additional information about procedure codes is required, the Authorization Code
Detail page opens. Once the Authorization Request Review page opens, documentation for the patient's clinical indications for
each required code from this page is allowed.



 All required information needs to be entered prior to proceeding to next page, such as Requesting Provider ID, Request Type, Attending Provider ID, Patient ID, Facility ID, and Date of Service.

#### Tips for finding a provider:

- Find a provider, patient or facility ID
  - o Type the name in the text box on the request page, and then select the adjoining Jutton. Record Selector window displays a list of potential matches.
- If the feature that allows an unknown provider is active for your system, the Requesting Provider may default to an unknown provider (the "PRO-Unknown" provider record), which you can change.
- If two records have the same name, and you need more information to determine which record is the correct one, mouse over the information icon located at the end of a record ID. A small information window appears, displaying the ID number, name, and address details for that record. Patient records also display the date of birth. Note that the Patient Record Selector window also lists the plan eligibility dates. To close the window, simply move the mouse away from the information icon.
- Tap the information icon to open the information window. Tap the window to close it.
  - o Scroll down the list of names and select the Select link for the one you want.
- Tips for finding a provider, patient or facility ID
  - o If the full name of a provider, facility, or patient is unknown you can look it up by typing a few characters of the first or last name (for a facility, the name or city where it is located) in the text box, and then selecting Search and Select.
  - o If unable to find the correct provider, patient or facility contact CCHP for assistance at 414-266-5707.
  - o You can search for a different name while you're at the Record Selector page. Type all or part of the name in the text box and select Search.
  - o In-Network checkbox (that appears next to the Search button in the Record Selector window) to search for only in-network attending providers and facilities.

# Tips for Finding and Selecting a Code

- Tips for selecting procedure and diagnosis codes
  - o The Documentable option is automatically selected for each code you add if the request type supports documentation of the respective code type. This option controls whether the code will go through the process of documenting clinical indications (pre-certification) or not. To exclude a code from documentation (and from appearing on the Authorization Request Review page), clear the Documentable checkbox (select the checkbox to clear it) for the code.
  - o This option is useful if you want to include a diagnosis or procedure code for reference, but do not want it to be considered for authorization.
  - Each code you document will receive a separate authorization decision from CCHP.

#### • Looking up codes

- 1. There is an automatic code lookup feature to help you add a diagnosis or procedure code to an authorization request. This feature gives you the option to enter an exact code or description, if you know it, or to look-up a code based on part of the code or one or more words in the code description.
- To use the code look-up feature, type a value into either the Code or Description box on the Authorization Request page, and then press the Add button. The system automatically begins a search for codes or code descriptions matching the value you typed.
   If a single exact match to the code or words you provided is found, the associated code and description is
  - automatically added to your authorization request. Otherwise, you will have the option to select the code you want from a list of potential matches, begin a new code search without selecting a code or to add the code exactly as you typed it.
- 3. Remove any punctuation marks when searching for a code based on words in the description. For example, if you type, "infection unspecified" in the Description box, the system will not find any code matches; however, if you type "infection unspecified" the system will find matches.
- 4. You can remove a code from your authorization request at any time by selecting the associated delete link. You cannot add the same code more than once to an authorization request.
- 5. You can search for ICD-10 diagnosis codes, and for CPT/HCPCS and ICD-10 procedure codes, whether or not they're associated with an MCG guideline.
- 6. You can select only one code from the Code Lookup Results page. If you want to select more than one, add any others as additional codes on the Authorization Request Review page.
- 7. The Code Lookup Results page displays a maximum of 200 potential code matches. If you do not see the code you are looking for in the list, return to the Authorization Request
- 8. Review page and start a new search using a more specific code, or more of the words contained in the code description.
- 9. If you do not receive any entries on the Code Lookup Results page, return to the Authorization Request Review page and verify that the Code Type is set to the correct type.
- Navigating the code results
  - If there are more entries than will display on a single page, you will see a page navigation bar at the lower right of the page.



- To move between pages of entries, select one of the options in the navigation bar:
  - First: Return to the first page of the results.
  - Next: Proceed to the next page of results.
  - Last: Jump to the last page of results.
  - Previous: Back up one page in the results.
  - Page numbers: Select the number of the page to which you want to jump to
- o If you want to jump to a page greater than shown, select the last page number in the list until you see the one you want. For example, if you want to jump to page 7 of the results using the sample shown above, you would select page number 5 first, then select page 7.

- o To change the number of entries displayed on the page, select one of the options in the Show entries menu at the top left of the page. The options are 10, 25, 50 and 100.
- o To further narrow your list of code match results, type another search term (code or word) in the Search box at the top right of the Code Lookup Results page. The list of results will be narrowed to only those codes in the list that match both your original search term on the Authorization Request page, and the term you provide on the Code Lookup Results page.
- You can list the results in code or code description order. To do this, select either the Code or Code Description heading at the top of the page. Selecting the heading once causes the list to appear in ascending (1-10, and then A-Z) order. Selecting the column heading again causes the list to appear in descending (Z-A, and then 10-1) order.
- The list of codes automatically adjusts as you type. Type as many characters of the code or word as you need until you see the code you want in the list.

# **Providing Additional Information**

- Provide additional information
  - o Depending on the requested level of care (inpatient or outpatient), and the procedure requested, additional information when creating an authorization request may be needed.
  - o Update the number of requested units for a code-level of care
    - 1. Open the Authorization Code Detail page (on the Authorization Request page, select the Next button).
    - 2. In the Code Attributes panel for the code's Detail, update the unit of measurement value (Requested Hours, Requested Length of Stay (number of days), or Units/Visits). A separate Code Attributes panel appears for each procedure code.
    - 3. Select the Next button. The Auto Authorization Review page opens.

\*Note: If the Requested Level of Care selected for the authorization request has a code-level unit of measurement, the unit of measurement field (Requested Length of Stay (number of days), or Units/Visits) appears in the Code Attributes panel on the page that appears after the initial authorization request page. The default unit of measurement for an Outpatient Requested Level of Care has a code-level unit of measurement of units or visits.

- Update additional information for a procedure code
  - 1. Open the Authorization Code Detail page (on the Authorization Request page, select the Next button).
  - 2. If CCHP needs additional information at the procedure code level, these fields appear in an Additional Information panel for each procedure code. Enter the information as needed.
  - 3. Select the Next button. The Auto Authorization Review page opens.

# **Attaching Documentation Tips**

- When you first open the Authorization Request Review page and/or upon completion of documentation, one or more
  disclaimers from CCHP may appear for each procedure code.
- A disclaimer might provide information related to indicated codes, requesting that specific documents be attached to the request to expedite nursing review, or detail some other request-specific action.

### Manage document attachments

An external document attachment is enabled by CCHP; you can attach documents to an auto authorization request at any time before and after submitting the request.

#### 1. Attach a file to a new authorization request

- a. Create the request, then document each of the requested codes.
- b. On the Authorization Request Review page, select the Attach File button. The Upload Episode Attachment window appears.
- c. Type a File Description. [Optional]
- d. Select Upload. When the upload is complete, the window displays the file name and description. If you provided no file description, the file name is used as the file description.
- e. Select the Close button. You return to the Authorization Request Review page, which displays the file name, description and time and date of the upload. Before you submit the file to CCHP, you can do the following:
  - Select the Open link to preview the file.
  - Select the Remove link to remove the file in order to upload a different file.
- f. Repeat as needed to add additional files.
- a. Select Submit.

#### 2. Attach a file in response to a message

- a. Open the Auto Authorization Queue page (select the Auth Queue tab).
- b. Select the authorization number link. The Authorization Request Review page appears if the request has been submitted.
- c. Select the Attach File button. The Upload Episode Attachment window appears.
- d. Select Browse to locate and select the file to upload.
- e. Type a File Description. [Optional]
- f. Select Upload. When the upload is complete, the window displays the file name and description. If you provided no file description, the file name is used as the file description.
- g. Select the Close button. You return to the Authorization Request Review page, which displays the file name, description and time and date of the upload. Before submitting the file to CCHP, you can do the following:
  - Select the Open link to preview the file.
  - o Select the Remove link to remove the file in order to upload a different file.
- h. Repeat as needed to add additional files.
- i. Select Submit.

#### Tips for attaching files

- You can attach and review files of those types supported by the system and for which your computer has the supporting software. Supported file types include:
  - Microsoft Word documents (.doc and .docx)
  - Microsoft Excel files (.xls, .xlsx)
  - Adobe Reader files (.pdf)
  - Image files (ipa, .tiff, and .gif)
- Contact your system administrator if you need additional file types supported.
- You can use up to 100 characters in a file name.
- o You can upload files up to 5 MB in size.
- After upload, you can view or delete but not edit an attached file. The system maintains a log of users who have viewed an attachment including the date and time viewed

Attachments

File Name Description Date

## **Document Clinical Indications**

- When you document the clinical indications in an authorization request, you provide clinical information that supports the codes that you've submitted for authorization. During this step, you may be asked to provide additional information about your patient's condition.
  - A list of the codes entered for authorization in the previous step will appear. You must document each of the listed codes before you can submit the authorization request to CCHP.

### Document clinical indications for codes

 Navigate to the Authorization Request Review page (open the Authorization Request page and select the Next button. (If the Authorization Code Detail page opens, select the Next button to continue.) The Authorization Request Review page opens.



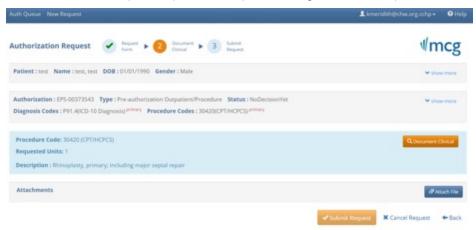
 Authorization code detail box will only open when a procedure code is required (for example: when entering DME or surgical information).



- o Review the information provided. If you want to update any of the information, select the Back button to return to the Authorization Request form.
- o For each primary procedure and/or diagnosis code in the list, select Document. One of four things happens:
  - 1. If no additional documentation is needed, Edit and Remove buttons appear for the code. No further action is required for this code.
  - The Authorization Request Clinical Indication page appears if CCHP has determined which guideline to
    use, and wants additional information about your request. You will be presented with bulleted options listing
    potential indications.
    - Select the indications that apply to your patient (add notes by clicking on the blue notepad icon , and then select Next.
    - You can leave the page blank if any of the indications do not apply to your patient.
  - The Authorization Guideline Search page appears if you need to select the guideline to use for your request before proceeding.
    - Scroll through the list of guidelines until you find the one that best describes your authorization request.
    - o Select the Select link for the guideline. The Authorization Request Clinical indication page appears with a list of indications.
    - o Complete the clinical indication pages as described above.
    - o If none of the guidelines on the Authorization Guideline Search page apply, select the No Guideline Applies button. Type the patient's clinical information in the No Guideline Applies box on the Applies page and then select the Next button. Use this box to note if there is no clinical information available at the time of entry of the authorization.
  - 4. If no guidelines are found for the code, the Authorization Request No Guideline Applies page appears. Enter your clinical documentation text or select the Back button to delete the code. Repeat this step until all the listed codes have been documented. The request for authorization is ready to be submitted.

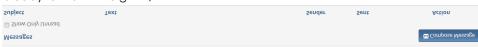
# **Document Clinical Indications**

- Depending on the diagnosis and/or procedure code or codes you submitted, you might be required to document
  the clinical indications for the patient's condition. This is done through a series of pages where you select the
  indications that apply to your patient's case.
- You can select as many of the indications that are relevant to your patient's situation. You do not need to select any of the indications that are displayed if they do not apply. However, you must continue through each page of questions by selecting Next until you see the Authorization Request Review page again.
- Only codes that were designated as "documentable" on the original request appear on the Authorization Request Review page. Any other codes are considered to be informational only. You must document
- The clinical indications for each of the codes listed on this page. The Submit button at the bottom of the page will remain unavailable until the clinical indications for all codes have been documented.
- You only need to attach a specific guideline to your request once. If other codes require the same guideline, you will have the opportunity to update any information you've already documented for the guideline.
- If you are asked to select a guideline for your request, you may see a guideline in the list in gray type that cannot be selected. This means that your request already uses that guideline, and you cannot select it a second time.



#### OB Clinical Indications

- OB Delivery Inpatient admissions require the entry of some specific information to meet the newborn reporting requirements for the State of Wisconsin. Please enter the following information in Box 8 at the time of building the authorization. If the information is being submitted after the authorization was created please insert the information in the message area:
  - 1. Delivery type vaginal or cesarean.
  - 2. Baby first name
  - 3. Baby last name
  - 4. Baby gender
  - 5. Baby date of birth
  - 6. Baby gestational age
  - 7. Baby weight in grams
  - 8. Is baby low birth weight Y/N

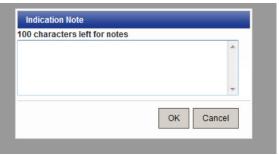


 The day the mother admits to the hospital should be the date entered as the admit date NOT the date mother delivers.

#### Add a Clinical Indication Note

# **Edit indications**

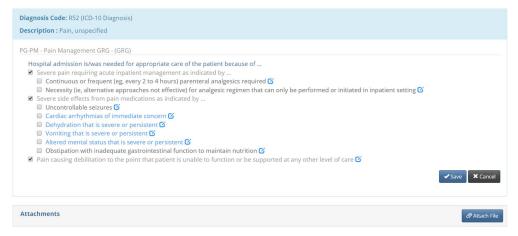
o On an Authorization Request Clinical Indication page, select the note icon (indication note) at the end of the



- o Type the note in the text box, then select OK. The icon changes to a shaded green to indicate the presence of the new note ( ). The note is saved when you select **Next**.
- You can return to a clinical indication on a previous page to add, update, or review a note by selecting Back on an Authorization Request Clinical Indication page, or by selecting Edit on the Authorization
- Request Review page. To view a note, place your mouse cursor over the saved note icon
   (select the icon.

#### About indication definitions

- An indication definition is available for a term that appears as a blue underlined hyperlink. Select the term to view the definition, which opens in a separate window and consists of a series of indications.
  - You can view indications within a definition (that is, an indication definition window may contain links to other definitions.)
  - o Each indication definition window remains open until you close it.
  - Examples of an indication definition, and a definition within a definition:
    - If reference information is available for the definition, it appears as a number in parentheses at the end of the indication term. Select the number to view the reference, which appears in a separate window
    - You cannot add an indication note to an indication definition.

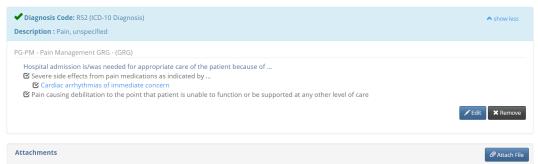


· Edit indications of a draft authorization request

1. Open the Auto Authorization Queue page (select the Auth Queue tab).

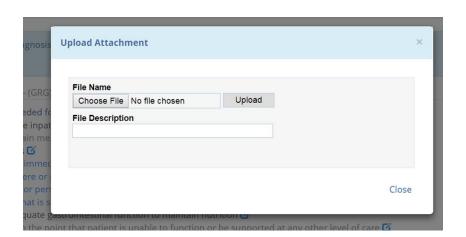


- 2. Set the Submission Status filter to Draft. The page displays all draft authorization requests. Select the authorization number link for the draft authorization request you want to re-evaluate. The Authorization Request page appears.
- 3. You can update the information on the Authorization Request Review page, if necessary, including adding more details that will be saved as notes.
- 4. Select the Edit button. The Authorization Code Detail page opens.
- 5. You can update any additional information on this page if necessary.
- 6. Select the Next button. The Authorization Request Review page appears. The page displays an Edit button and a Remove Document button for each diagnosis or procedure code.
- 7. Select the Edit button for the diagnosis or procedure code that requires further annotation. The first Authorization Request Clinical Indication page appears.



- 8. Proceed through the pages to further annotate and document the authorization request as needed. When documentation has been completed the Authorization Request Review page will appear.
- 9. Select the Submit button (on bottom right of screen).





# **Submit / Cancel Authorization Request**

#### Submit a completed authorization request

- Submitting your request to CCHP for evaluation is the final step in the authorization request.
  - 1. At the Authorization Request Review page (create the request, then document codes as required), select the Submit button. This submits the request to CCHP for review.
  - 2. The page changes to Auto Authorization Response. The initial decision of CCHP appears in the Status column for each code.
  - 3. Select Return to Auth Queue

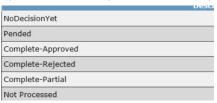


#### Cancel an authorization request

- o For a draft authorization request that has the requested codes documented:
  - 1. On the Authorization Request Review page, select the Cancel Request button. A message appears, asking for confirmation that you want to cancel the request and notifying you that this action will remove the request from the Auth Queue page.
  - 2. Select OK, which will take you to the Auth Queue page, and does not display the request.
- o For a submitted authorization request:
  - 1. On the Auto Authorization Response page, select the Cancel Request button. A message appears, asking for confirmation that you want to cancel the request and notifying you that this action will remove the request from the Auth Queue page.
  - 2. Select OK. You return to the Auth Queue page, which no longer displays the request.

#### Tips about submitting an authorization request

- Once a request has been submitted:
  - CCHP may automatically approve or deny the request based on the information you've provided
  - CCHP may determine that your request requires additional review. In this case, you will see a status of "Pended" or "No Decision Yet." Contact CCHP with any questions about this type of request.
  - o May display one or more disclaimers, identified by the code submitted.
  - Each code you have documented is evaluated separately, so you will receive an authorization decision for each of the codes submitted.
  - o If CCHP has special code response fields, these appear on the Auto Authorization response page, in the Auto-Authorization panel and each procedure code panel, as applicable.



• The Auto Authorization Queue shows you a history of all requests that are working drafts or have been submitted.

### **Auto Authorization Queue**



- From the Auto Authorization Queue page, you can:
  - See the current status of a request
  - o See all requests you have submitted or are working drafts
  - View the information in the request
  - See which requests have messages (if secure messaging is enabled)
  - o If external document attachment is enabled, manage external document attachments posted by CCHP.
- You have the option to filter or limit your list, so that only certain requests are displayed.

#### **Authorization Queue**

## Auto Authorization Queue

Filter By: NotFiltered ▼  And: NotFiltered ▼  Submission Status: Draft ▼	Submission History			
	Filter By:	NotFiltered	•	
Submission Status: Draft ▼	And:	NotFiltered	•	
	Submission Status:	Draft	-	

# Filtering request queue

#### Find and review a request

- 1. Open the Auto Authorization Queue page (select the Auth Queue tab).
- 2. If wanted, set the filters so that you only see specific types of requests (draft or submitted).
- 3. From here, you can:
  - o View the current status of the request in the Status column.
  - o View the full authorization request by selecting the link in the Authorization column.
  - o If the submission status is Draft, the Authorization Code Selection page opens.
  - o If the submission status is Submitted, the Authorization Request Response page opens. This page displays the summary details of CCHP's response, including the status for the authorization as a whole, and the status for each documented code.
  - Check if CCHP has sent a message regarding a request in the list.
  - o Check if CCHP has attached external documentation regarding a request in the list.

#### Request status types

o CCHP defines the request status types. The following table shows examples of common status types.

Status	Description	
Pended	CCHP has received your request and	
	determined that it requires further review	
No Decision Yet	A request that has been submitted for	
	authorization, and has not yet received a decision	
	from CCHP. It may be pending a review by CCHP.	
	This status may also indicate that you have not yet	
	submitted the request to CCHP.	
Complete-Approved	CCHP has approved the authorization request.	
Complete-Rejected	CCHP has denied the pre-authorization request.	
Complete-Partial	CCHP has partially approved or may not	
	be approved for the quantities or time	
	period requested.	

#### About the authorization request ID number

o The authorization request ID number identifies a specific authorization request. It is numbered according to CCHP's records, so the numbers that you see may not be sequential in your list. They are, however, unique and will not be used by any other CCHP providers. You can use this number to identify the request.

#### Filter the authorization request list

- At the Auto Authorization Queue page (select the Auth Queue tab), select your first criteria in the Filter by list box. A blank text box appears.
- o Type or select the date, name, or status.
- o Select the next condition in the And list box, then provide the value you want to filter for.
- Select the request status you want to filter for in the Submission Status list box, and then select Filter. The list
  of requests in the summary updates to reflect your filtering choices.

#### Tips for filtering your authorization request queue

- o You have the option to filter or limit your queue so that only certain requests are displayed. You can select records with a specific:
  - Approval status
  - Requested date of service
  - Date the authorization request was submitted
  - Patient Name
  - Facility name
  - Request submission status (draft or submitted)
- You can filter by any three of the above conditions at the same time. For example, you can limit your request queue so that you can see only:
  - Draft requests for patients named Smith who are to be admitted to Mercy Hospital.
  - Requests submitted on specific date that have been approved.
  - All requests with an anticipated admit date whether approved or denied.
- Authorization requests displayed in the queue must meet all of the conditions you specify in the filters. If you do not see the request you are looking for, try removing one or more of the filters, or make the filter more general. For example, rather than filtering for patients named "Smith," filter for patients named "Smith."
- o To see the entire list, select "Unfiltered" for each of the filter options.

# Messages

### Manage authorization request messages

- o If secure messaging is enabled, you can manage messages sent to and received from CCHP, including requests for additional information. You can compose and send a message to CCHP at any time that you need to communicate about an authorization request, both before and after you submit the request.
- Messages appear on the View Authorization Request Messages page in the order sent, with the most recent at the top

#### View messages

- 1. In the Auto Authorization Queue, select the authorization number with a message icon. The Authorization Request Review page appears if the request has an unread message from CCHP that requests additional information. The Auto Authorization Response page appears if the request has no unread messages.
- 2. Select the Messages button, which displays the number of unread messages in parentheses. The View Authorization Request Messages window appears, displaying a list of messages.
- 3. Select the Show all messages option to display all messages for the authorization request, or select the Show only Unread messages option to view unread messages.
- 4. If necessary, use the scroll bar to view the text of a long message.
- 5. Select the Mark as Read link to indicate the message has been read. Marking a message as "read" cannot be undone.

### Reply to a message

- On the Auto Authorization Queue page, select the authorization number with a message icon. The Authorization Request Review page appears if the request has an unread message from CCHP that requests additional information. The Auto Authorization Response page appears if the request has no unread messages.
- 2. Select the Messages button, which lists the number of unread messages in parentheses. The View Authorization Request Messages window appears, displaying a list of messages.
- 3. Select the Show all messages option to display all messages for the authorization request, or select the Show only Active messages option to view unread messages.
- 4. Select the Reply link for the message. The Message Composition window appears.
- 5. Select the Send button. You return to the View Authorization Request Messages window, which displays your message at the top of the list.

#### Compose a message

- 1. On the Auto Authorization Queue page, select the authorization number link. The Auto Authorization Response page appears.
- 2. Select the **Messages** button. The View Authorization Request Messages window appears.
- 3. Select the **Compose** button. The Message Composition window appears.
- Type your message and select Send. You return to the View Authorization Request Messages window, which
  displays your message at the top of the list.

