

Prior Authorization List Change Summary

Effective May 1, 2012

Dear Provider:

While we usually update our Authorization List in February and July, when we have the opportunity to simplify things for you, we want to make changes as soon as possible. This letter summarizes revisions to the Authorization List effective May 1, 2012. The updated List, along with the companion Code Reference Guide, is available on our website at www.healthfirsthealthplans.org. Please let us know if you need help accessing these references.

Therapy Services for Brevard County TPA Members

- Authorization is no longer required for the first 20 therapy visits (physical, speech, and occupational) for members 9 years of age or older.
- Additionally, authorization is no longer required for an initial therapy evaluation for children under age of 9.

Unclassified Injectable/Implantable Drugs

The following clarifications were made regarding authorization requirements for unclassified drug codes.

- J3590: All drugs reported as “unclassified biologics” require prior authorization.
- J3490: The following drugs reported as “unclassified drugs” (non-biologic) require prior authorization:
 - RELISTOR (methlynaltrexone)
 - SOMAVERT (pegvisomant)
 - VIMPAT (lacosamide)
 - Orphan drugs

Cranial Remolding Orthotics (Helmets)

- Custom fabricated cranial remolding orthotics require prior authorization.

DaTscan SPECT Imaging

- DaTscan SPECT Imaging to diagnose Parkinson’s Disease requires prior authorization.

Coding Updates

The following codes have been added to the Code Reference Document within existing categories.

- **Neurostimulator Codes**
 - E0720, E0730, E0731, E0740, E0744, E0745, E0746
- **Erectile Dysfunction Codes**
 - 54230, 54231, 74445, J0275, J2440, J2760
- **Potentially Investigational Service Codes**
 - 90869, A9155, S3721

For a current copy of the Authorization List, or to search for specific codes using the *Code Reference Document*, please visit our website at www.healthfirsthealthplans.org. For questions about authorization requirements, Customer Service is available from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday, and Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon at (321) 434-5665 or (800) 716-7737. Nurses are available to discuss clinical issues at any time, and your Provider Relations Representative is available for any other assistance you may need.

Thank you,

Health First Health Plans
Provider Relations Team