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DOCUMENT PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The CMO PA Web Submission manual describes the Care Management Organization (CMO) prior authorization (PA) functionality available on the portal *Provider Workspace*. This is not a policy manual but is meant to provide information regarding PA system functionality for CMO PA requests. This manual does not describe Fee-for-Service (FFS) PA entry. Information on FFS PA entry, can be found on the *Provider Workspace* under Education and Training/User Manuals/FFS PA Web Entry. Any Provider or Member IDs displayed in this manual are fictitious.

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1.0 CMO PA Overview

The Georgia Web Portal serves as the *centralized* portal for the submission of Fee-for-Service (FFS) authorization requests, and authorization requests for certain services provided to Medicaid members enrolled in a Care Management Organization (CMO). The *centralized* PA submission process for CMO PAs is being phased in over time. This means that different CMO authorization request types will be added during each phase. The following table provides a summary of the request types that have been added thus far, and what is projected.

Note: Start dates are subject to change.

Phase #	Start Date	Request Types
1	6/1/2013	Newborn Delivery NotificationPregnancy Notification
1	7/1/13	 Inpatient Hospital Admissions and Outpatient Hospital or Ambulatory Surgical Center Procedures Hospital Outpatient Therapy (includes Ambulatory Surgical Centers) In- State Transplants Exclusions: Outpatient services handled by CMO third party vendors (dental, vision, radiology etc.) and Behavioral Health inpatient/outpatient PAs are excluded from CMO PA submission in Phase I.
2	8/1/2015	Durable Medical EquipmentChildren's Intervention Services
TBD	TBD	Inpatient Behavioral Health

Table 1

1.1 General Submission Requirements

Member/Provider Validation

When a CMO PA request is initiated, the user is prompted to identify the specific CMO (Amerigroup, Peach State or WellCare) in which the member is enrolled. The member ID is validated against CMO member eligibility. In addition, the provider ID(s) is/are validated against CMO provider affiliation. If the member ID or provider ID is not associated with the CMO selected, a warning message informs the user that the member and/or provider does not appear to be associated with the selected CMO. Member enrollment validation is a 'hard edit' which prevents the provider from entering the request. Provider validation is a 'soft edit', and the provider may bypass the warning message and enter the request.

Tracking and Authorization IDs

CMO PAs submitted via the portal are assigned a 12 digit Alliant tracking ID that starts with "7". The requests remain in 'Pending' status until a decision is rendered by the CMOs. The CMOs are responsible for processing the PAs and submitting back to Alliant the review determinations and CMO authorization numbers. The CMO assigned authorization number is loaded to the PA on the *Provider Workspace* and displays in the 'CMO PA Request ID' field. The CMO authorization number is the number used for claims submission/adjudication.

Provider Workspace Functionality

The portal *Provider Workspace* has been customized with functions applicable to CMO PAs.

CMO Authorization Requests

<u>Search or Submit Clinical notes / Attach Documentation for CMO PA Requests</u> - Use this link to search or attach documentation to CMO prior authorization requests. <u>More...</u>

Submit Concurrent Review Information for CMO PAs (Change Requests) - Use this link to request a change to existing authorization requests. More..

Submit Reconsideration Requests for CMO PAs - Use this link to request a reconsideration to a denied case. More...

Figure 1

The following table provides a description of the functions available:

Function	Description
CMO PA Search	Find PAs, view decisions, and view PA data for existing Pregnancy and Newborn Delivery Notification forms and CMO PAs.
Attach File	Attach additional clinical data to the CMO PAs and Pregnancy Notification form.
Submit Change Requests	Submit a change request with concurrent review information for inpatient admissions.
Submit Reconsideration Requests	Submit a reconsideration of a denied CMO PA.

Table 2

2.0 Pregnancy/Newborn Notifications

The Pregnancy Notification and the Newborn Delivery Notification are submitted via the *centralized* portal using an entry process similar to submitting a CMO or FFS Hospital Admissions request. The notification forms can only be submitted for female members who are between 9 and 55 years of age.

Pregnancy Notification

The Pregnancy Notification form is completed for all members, enrolled in a Medicaid Care Management Organization, who are being seen in a practice for prenatal services. The form identifies members who have high risk pregnancy conditions so that they can receive appropriate assistance and support. This form should only be used for reporting prenatal care and is not used for reporting delivery outcomes. The Care Management Organizations use the information from the Pregnancy Notification to generate a global OB PA. Additional documentation, such as the final antepartum flow sheet, may be attached to the Pregnancy Notification at any time without restriction.

Newborn Delivery Notification

The Newborn Delivery Notification is completed for all OB deliveries that are submitted for claims payments to the CMOs. The notification form is entered under the Mom's Medicaid ID and captures newborn information for single or multiple births. The form should not be used to request a future C-section surgery date. The Newborn Delivery Notification information is used by the CMOs to generate the maternal delivery authorization.

2.1 Initiate a Notification Form

Follow these instructions to initiate a Pregnancy or Newborn Delivery notification via the GA web portal.

- 1. Go to the GA Web Portal at www.mmis.georgia.gov.
- 2. Login with assigned user ID and password.
- 3. On the portal secure home page, click the **Prior Authorization** tab.

 Click Submit/View (or select Provider Workspace to open the workspace and then click Enter a New Authorization Request).



Figure 2

5. A request menu displays with the notification forms and request types applicable to the requesting provider's category of service.

New Request for Prior Authorization

- Georgia Pregnancy Notification Form
- Hospital OutPatient Therapy
- Medications PA Facility Setting
- Newborn Delivery Notification Form
- Hospital Admissions and Outpatient Procedures (Form Number: GMCF form PA81/100)
- In-State Transplants (Form Number: PA-81)
- Out-of-State Services (Form Number: GMCF FAX OOS)
- Radiology-Facility Setting

Figure 3

- 6. Select the *Pregnancy Notification Form* or *Newborn Delivery Notification Form*. These forms are available to physicians/medical practitioners and hospital/facilities.
- 7. On the next page that displays, select the CMO, in which the member is enrolled, by clicking the button next to the CMO name.
- 9. Enter the mother's Medicaid ID in the 'Member Medicaid ID' box. The member must be female and between 9 and 55 years of age. If the member ID entered is not for a female or falls outside the acceptable age range, a message displays informing the user of the discrepancy. The member ID must be changed in order to initiate the request.
- 10. The requesting provider ID is populated by the system based on the portal login. Enter the Reference ID for the **other provider** in the box provided. The reference number always starts with REF.
- 11. A medical practitioner (such as a physician) AND a facility provider must be entered to initiate a Pregnancy or Newborn Delivery Notification request. For example, in the figure below, the provider requesting the notification was the physician. Consequently, the reference number for a facility must be entered. This is the facility where it is anticipated that the delivery will occur.

New Request for Prior Authorization

Georgia Pregnancy Notification	Georgia Pregnancy Notification Form		
Use this notification to repor	t prenatal care only. Do not used for delivery outcome notification.		
To find a Member or Provider click the Q next to the ID box			
Select a CMO:	Amerigroup Community Care		
	Peach State Health Plan		
	Wellcare Health Plans Inc.		
Member Medicaid ID:	333000000400 🔍		
Facility Reference ID :	REF007100064 🔍		
Medical Practitioner Provider ID :	007100063B		
Submit			

Figure 4

12. Click Submit to open the notification form.

2.2 Enter Pregnancy Notification Data

Member/Provider Information

When the notification form opens, the member and provider information is system populated at the top of the page based on the member ID and provider IDs entered.

Contact Information

The system also populates the requesting provider's contact information in the **Contact Information** section. The 'Contact Name', 'Contact Phone', and 'Contact Fax' are required. If any of this information is missing, enter the information in the boxes provided. All contact information may be edited if incorrect.



Figure 5

Member Details

This section captures information related to the expectant mother and pregnancy. Highlighted fields are required. However, all data should be entered if available or applicable.

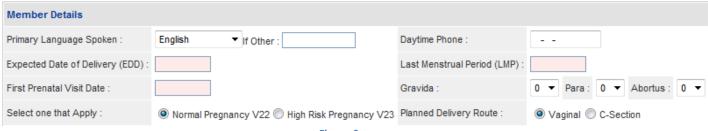


Figure 6

1. Select the Mom's primary language from the 'Primary Language Spoken' drop list. The default value is *English*. If the specific language is not in the drop list, select 'Other' and enter the language in the 'Other' text box.

- 2. If known, enter the Mom's day time phone number in the box provided. This is not required.
- 3. Enter the anticipated delivery date in the 'Expected Date of Delivery' (EDD) box. This is required.
- 4. Enter the date of the 'Last Menstrual Period (LMP') in the box provided. This is required.

Note: A message displays when the LMP date entered is thirty (30) weeks or less than the expected delivery date. The message alerts the user to check the LMP date and make sure it was entered correctly. This is a warning only and does not prevent submission of the notification.

- 5. Enter the date of the first prenatal visit in the 'First Prenatal Visit Date' box. This is required.
- Gravida: The system defaults this item to zero. Select the expectant mother's number of pregnancies to include the current pregnancy from the 'Gravida' drop list.
- 7. Para: The system defaults this item to zero. Select the number of births including stillbirths from the 'Para' drop list. **Note:** Gravida should be equal to or greater than Para.
- 8. Abortus: The system defaults this item to zero. Select the number of pregnancies lost from the 'Abortus' drop list.
- 9. Indicate if the pregnancy is expected to be normal or high risk by selecting the applicable diagnosis code from the drop list. The diagnosis type (ICD9 or ICD10) selected should correspond to the 'First Prenatal Visit Date'. The choices include:



Figure 7

10. Finally, indicate the planned delivery method by clicking the appropriate button. The default value is *Vaginal*. Click *C-Section* if that is the planned delivery method.



Figure 8

Diagnosis Information

This section captures the mother's primary delivery diagnosis. On the first diagnosis line, the system defaults to these values:

- The first diagnosis code in the diagnosis drop list
- Date = the date when form submitted
- Primary Diagnosis indicator is checked
- · Admission Diagnosis indicator is checked



Figure 9

11. If 650 is not the correct primary diagnosis, select a different diagnosis from the drop list. One of the diagnoses from the drop list must be selected as the primary diagnosis. Select the diagnosis type (ICD9 or ICD10) that was valid on the 'First Prenatal Visit Date'.

The choices are:



Figure 10

12. The diagnosis date is defaulted to the form request date. This date should be modified so that it corresponds to the diagnosis type selected (ICD9 or ICD10). For example, if an ICD9 is selected; then the diagnosis date should be before 10/1/15. If an ICD10 is selected, then the diagnosis date should be 10/1/15 or greater.

- 13. Click Add to add the diagnosis code information to the notification.
- 14. When Add is clicked, a blank diagnosis code line displays and the Edit button becomes available on the diagnosis line just entered.
- 15. If needed, enter another diagnosis code and diagnosis date.
- 16. Click Add to add the diagnosis code to the notification form.

Social Risk Factors

This section captures the mother's socioeconomic and family risk factors.

- 17. Check all known risk factors that apply to this pregnancy.
- 18. When certain boxes are checked, it may be necessary to provide additional information. For example, if *Unemployed or DSS greater than 1 year* is checked, enter the 'Date of Last Employment' or the 'Date of DSS Enrollment'.
- 19. If *Other Barriers to Receiving Care, Physical/Sexual Abuse* or *Other* (risk factor) are checked, provide explanations in the text boxes.
- 20. If there are no known social risk factors, check No Significant Risk Factors Known.

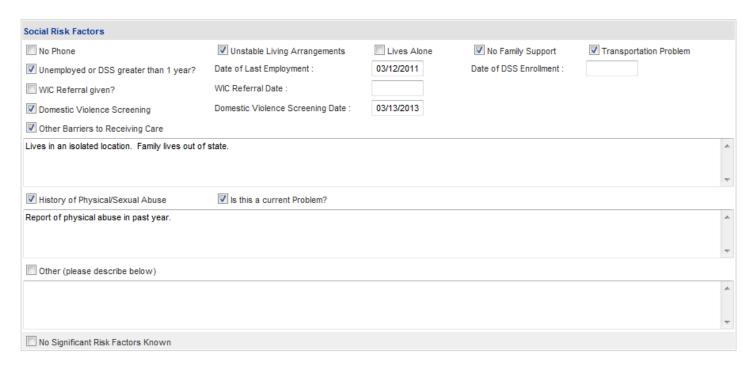


Figure 11

Maternal History

This section captures the mother's medical, psycho-neurological and obstetrical history.

- 21. Check all boxes that apply.
- 22. When certain boxes are checked, additional information may need to be checked or entered. For example, if *Current Cigarette Use* is checked, enter the number of cigarettes per day.
- 23. If there is no significant history in a specific category, check the no significant history known checkboxes.

Maternal Medical History							
DVT/Pulmonary Embolism	Current Cigarette Use	If checked, numb	er per day :	10		Diabetes Mellitus	Type I or II
Cardiac Condition	Thyroid	History of ST	ľs	History of	Pyelonephritis	Dental Care With	nin Last Year
Dental Condition Receiving Treatmen	t Current Dental Problems	Primary Hype	rtension	Asthma/C0	OPD	Lupus	
Seizure Disorder	On Seizure Medication	O Yes O No					
HIV/AIDS Tested 🔘 Yes 🌘 No	If No, Test Declined	Yes No					
No significant maternal medical histo	ry known						
Psycho-Neurological History							
Clinical/Post Partum Depression	Suicide Attempt	Takes Medica	ation for Mer	ntal Illness	Mentally/ph	ysically Challenged	
Previous Counseling, Evaluation or T	reatment, For how long 6 mo	nths	(year / mont	th)	Desires Co	unseling Referral	
Substance/Alcohol Abuse History	Current Use	List Substance :					
No significant psycho-neurological h	istory known						
Maternal Obstetrical History							
Current Preterm Labor	History of Prete	erm Labor			nta Previa		Abrubtio Place
Pregnancy Induced Hypertension	Pre-Eclampsia			П Нуре	remesis		RH Negative
Previous Gestational Diabetes	Tocoloytics use	ed @ wee	eks gestation	1			
Eating Disorder	List :						
Multiple Births Current Past Triplets More than 3 Less than 12 months between births							
Previous Uterine Surgery (please de	scribe below)						
✓ No significant maternal obstetrical his	story known						

Figure 12

Previous Infant/Findings

- 24. Complete this section if the member had a previous birth with findings corresponding to one of the categories.
- 25. If no known significant findings, click No Significant Previous Infant Findings Known.

Previous Infant/Findings				
Stillbirth > 22 Weeks	Preterm Birth < 30 Weeks	Preterm Birth 30-36 Weeks	Birthweight < 2500 Grams	Birthweight > 4000 Grams
At what age Unknown	At what age Unknown	At what age Unknown	At what age Unknown	At what age Unknown
Other (please describe below)				
				,
No significant previous infant/fin	dings known			

Figure 13

Additional Information

This section captures additional information not entered in other parts of the form; the community agencies involved in the pregnancy or mother's situation; the name of the person who signed the form; and the date signed.

- 26. Enter additional information in the textboxes provided, if applicable.
- 27. Under **Current Community Agencies Involved**, check all boxes that apply; or check the 'Other' checkbox and explain in the text box.
- 28. Enter the name of the authorized person who signed the notification form in the 'Name of authorized personnel signing form' box (required).
- 29. Enter the date signed/authorized in the 'Date Signed' box (required).

Additional Information			
Please list all current medications :			
List current medications			
Please list any other medical/psychological probler	ms not included above or other issues	which may place this member at risk :	
Please list any other medical/psychological proble	ms not included above or other issues	which may place this member at risk	
Additional risks to patient in pregnancy not stated	previously:		
Additional risks to patient in pregnancy not stated	previously		
Does the member want a home environment asset	ssment to identify issues which may be	e impacting this pregnancy Yes No	
Current Community Agencies Involved :			
Adult Protective Services (APS)	Alcoholics Anonymous®	Centering Pregnancy	Child Protective Services (CPS)
Community Service Board	Department of Public Health (DPH)	Division of Family and Children Services (DFCS)	Easter Seals
Faith Based Organization	GRITS (Immunization)	March of Dimes	Narcotics Anonymous
POWERLINE/Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies	☐ TEXT 4 BABY™	Other (please descibe below)	
Does this member desire assistance with linking to	o community or other services (ie, WIC)	⊚ Yes ⊚ Ñq	
Name of authorized personnel signing form : Joan	Smith	Date signed : 07/08/2013	

Figure 14

- 30. When all data has been entered on the notification form, click **Review Request** at the bottom of the page to display the *Attestation Statement*. If a message displays that 'information is missing or incorrect', scroll up the page to find what is missing or incorrect. 'Required' displays next to a data box when information is missing. Enter or correct the data, and then click **Review Request** again.
- 31. Review the *Attestation Statement* and, if in agreement, click **I Agree**. You must click agree to submit the notification form.

To the best of my knowledge, the information I am submitting in this transaction is true, accurate, complete and is in compliance with applicable Department of Community Health polices and procedures. I am submitting this information to the Georgia Department of Community Health, Division of Medical Assistance, for the purpose of obtaining a prior authorization number.

I understand that any material falsification, omission or misrepresentation of any information in this transaction will result in denial of payment and may subject the provider to criminal, civil or other administration penalties.

I understand that this CMO pre-certification request does not guarantee payment, approval of service or member benefit eligibility for the service.

To accept this information and proceed with your transaction, please click 'I agree'.

Figure 15

- 32. Review the information entered on the notification form. To change information entered, click **Edit Request**. **Once a notification form is submitted, it is not possible to return to the form and make changes.**
- 33. Click **Submit Request**. When the notification is successfully submitted, a twelve (12) digit Alliant tracking number starting with a '7', displays on the form. This number can be used to search for the PA via the *Provider Workspace*.
- 34. Additional documentation may be attached to the notification form at this point via **Create an Attachment**. Refer to the instructions in the following section (2.2.1) starting at step #7.
- 35. To enter another notification or a new request under the same Portal ID/provider, click **Enter a New PA Request**. The request type menu page re-displays.

2.2.1 Attach Documentation to Pregnancy Notification

Additional documentation may be attached to the Pregnancy Notification upon submission, or attached to a previously submitted form. There are no restrictions as to when documents may be attached. The following file types are acceptable for attachments: TXT, DOC, DOCX, PDF, TIF, TIFF, JPG/JPE/JPE and EXCEL; although the preferred file type is PDF. The file size for an individual attachment must be less than 20 MB in size. Multiple documents may be attached to one notification form, although each file must be attached individually. When naming files, the following symbols should not be included in the file name: \, /, #, <, >, ', ". In addition, the name of the file to be attached cannot have the same name of a file that is already attached.

The following instructions describe how to attach a document to a previously submitted notification form. The first step is to find the pregnancy notification to which the file is to be attached.

- 1. Open the *Provider Workspace*.
- Go to the CMO Authorization Requests section and select Search or Submit Clinical Notes/Attach Documentation to open request search.

CMO Authorization Requests

<u>Search or Submit Clinical notes / Attach Documentation for CMO PA Requests</u> - Use this link to search or attach documentation to CMO prior authorization requests. <u>More...</u>

Submit Concurrent Review Information for CMO PAs (Change Requests) - Use this link to request a change to existing authorization requests. More...

Submit Reconsideration Requests for CMO PAs - Use this link to request a reconsideration to a denied case. More...

- 3. On the search page, the provider ID number is system populated and cannot be edited. The provider ID inserted by the system must match the provider ID on the notification form. Otherwise, the search will not return a result.
- 4. Enter the 'Alliant Tracking Number' in the 'Request ID' box (no other data is needed) and then, click **Search**.

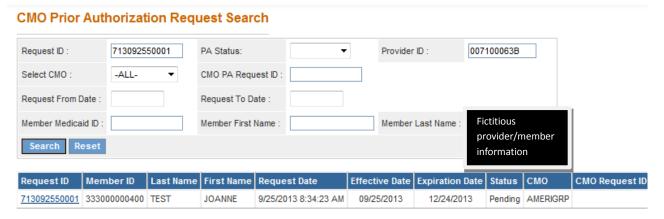


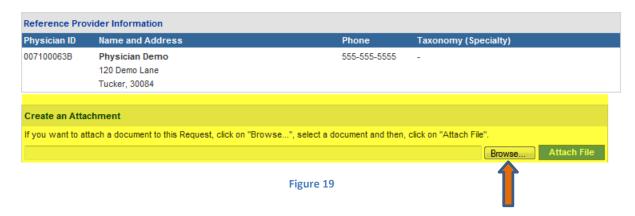
Figure 17

- 5. Click on the **Request ID** to open the *Review Request* page.
- 6. Click the Attach File button at the bottom of the page.



Figure 18

- 7. On the page that displays, go to the **Create an Attachment** section.
- 8. Click **Browse** to open the file directory.



- 9. Find the file to be attached.
- 10. Then, select the file by double clicking the file; or by highlighting the file and clicking **Open**.

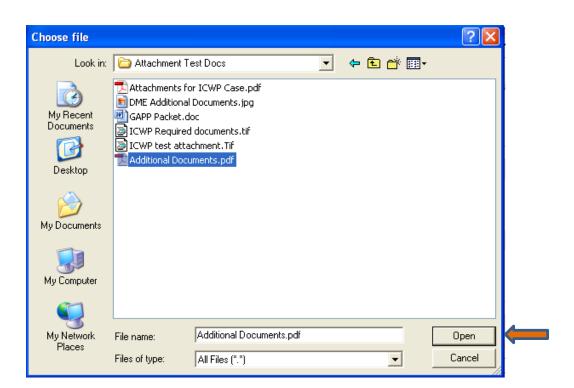


Figure 20

11. Once the file is selected, it displays in the attachment panel.



Figure 21

- 12. Click the Attach File button.
- 13. If the file is uploaded, the 'File uploaded successfully' message displays, and a link to the attachment displays in the **Attached Files** table.



Figure 22

- 14. If necessary, follow the same process to attach another file.
- 15. To return to the main *Review Request* page, click the **Back** link at the bottom of the page.

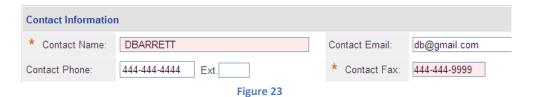
2.3 Enter Newborn Delivery Notification Data

Member/Provider Information

When the notification form opens, the member and provider information is system populated at the top of the page based on the member ID and provider IDs entered.

Contact Information

The system also populates the requesting provider's contact information in the **Contact Information** section. The 'Contact Name', 'Contact Phone', and 'Contact Fax' are required. If this information is missing, enter the information in the boxes provided. All contact information may be edited if incorrect.



Request Information

This section captures information specific to the admission for delivery.

- In the 'Maternal Admit Date' box, enter the mother's admit date. Admit dates in the future are not allowed since the submission of the Newborn Delivery notification indicates that a delivery is occurring or has occurred.
- 2. If the mother was already discharged, enter the 'Discharge Date'; **or** if the mother is still in the facility, check 'Still in Facility'.
- 3. Select the applicable 'Admission Type' from the drop list (drop lists are different based on the CMO selected). The admission type should pertain to the delivery admission.



4. Select the applicable 'Place of Service' from the drop list. The place of service should relate to the facility where the delivery occurred.



Figure 24



Figure 25

Diagnosis

This section captures the mother's primary delivery diagnosis. On the first diagnosis line, the system defaults to these values:

- The first diagnosis code in the diagnosis drop list
- Date = the date when form submitted
- Primary Diagnosis indicator is checked
- Admission Diagnosis indicator is checked



Figure 26

5. If 650 is not the correct primary diagnosis, select a different diagnosis from the drop list. One of the diagnoses from the drop list must be selected as the primary diagnosis. **Select the diagnosis type (ICD9 or ICD10) that was valid on the 'Maternal Admit Date'.**

The choices are:



Figure 27

- 6. The diagnosis date is defaulted to the form request date. This date should be modified so that it corresponds to the diagnosis type selected (ICD9 or ICD10). For example, if an ICD9 is selected; then the diagnosis date should be before 10/1/15. If an ICD10 is selected, then the diagnosis date should be 10/1/15 or greater.
- 7. Click Add to add the diagnosis code information to the notification.
- 8. When Add is clicked, a blank diagnosis code line displays and the Edit button becomes available on the diagnosis line just entered.
- 9. If needed, enter another diagnosis code and diagnosis date.
- 10. Click Add to add the diagnosis code to the notification form.

Mother/Baby Details

The next two sections capture details regarding the mother, delivery, and newborn. Highlighted fields are required; although other data should be entered if available or applicable.

Member (Mother) Details:

- 11. Enter the estimated date of delivery in the 'EDC Date' box. This is required. Enter the estimated date of delivery in the 'EDC Date' box. This is required. EDC information should be based on ultrasound dating or a combination of LMP and ultrasound dating. LMP dates are NOT allowed in this field. The gestational age should be between 23 and 45 weeks.
- 12. Indicate the delivery method by clicking the appropriate button. The default value is *Vaginal*. Click *C-Section* if that is the correct delivery method.
- 13. **Gravida**: Select the number of times that the mother has been pregnant from the 'Gravida' drop list (required). The available values are 0-9.
- 14. **Para**: Select the number of births including stillbirths from the 'Para' drop list (required). The available values are 0-9. **Note:** Gravida should be equal to or greater than Para.
- 15. **Abortus**: Select the number of pregnancies lost from the 'Abortus' drop list (required). The available values are 0-9.



Baby Information:



Figure 29

- 16. Enter the baby's first name and the last name (required). Middle initial is optional.
- 17. Enter the baby's date of birth (required).
- 18. Gender defaults to Male. Select Female if that is the appropriate gender.
- 19. Enter the baby's birth weight in grams (required). Gram weights outside of 300 10,000 grams are not acceptable.
- 20. Select the disposition of the baby from the drop list. 'Well' is the default value. Other values include: Stillborn, NICU, SCH, Adopted, and Detained.
- 21. From the 'APGAR Score' drop lists, select the 1 minute Apgar score, and the 5 minute Apgar score. Both drop lists contain values from 0-10.
- 22. Enter the pediatrician's name. This is optional.
- 23. Finally, enter the baby's Medicaid ID if this is known. Otherwise, leave blank.



Figure 30

24. If there was more than one birth, click **Add Another Baby** to open another new baby section. (If clicked in error, the additional section can be removed by clicking **Remove**).

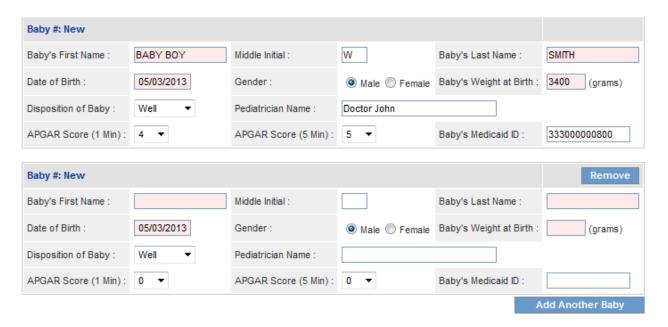


Figure 31

- 25. Enter the required information for the second birth.
- 26. When all data has been entered on the notification form, click **Review Request** at the bottom of the page to display the *Attestation Statement*. If a message displays that 'information is missing or incorrect', scroll up the page to find what is missing or incorrect. 'Required' displays next to a data box when information is missing. Enter or correct the data, and then click **Review Request** again.
- 27. Review the *Attestation Statement* and, if in agreement, click **I Agree**. You must click agree to submit the notification form.

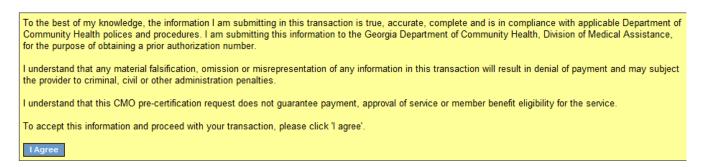


Figure 32

- 28. Review the information entered on the notification form. To change information entered, click **Edit Request**. **Once a notification form is submitted, it is not possible to return to the form and make changes.**
- 29. Click **Submit Request.** When the notification form is successfully submitted, the system displays a 12 digit Alliant tracking number that starts with a '7'. This number can be used to search for the PA via the *Provider Workspace*.
- 30. To enter a new request or notification form under the same Portal ID/provider, click **Enter a New PA Request**. The request type menu page re-displays.

3.0 CMO PA Submission

Providers submit PA requests for members enrolled in a Medicaid Care Management Organization via the GA Web Portal utilizing an entry/submission process similar to submitting PAs for FFS Medicaid members.

3.1 Initiate a New CMO PA Request

Follow these instructions to initiate a new CMO PA request.

- 1. Go to the GA Web Portal at www.mmis.georgia.gov.
- Login with assigned user ID and password.
- 3. On the portal secure home page, click the **Prior Authorization** tab.
- 4. Then, click **Submit/View**; or click **Provider Workspace** and, on the workspace page, select **Enter a New Authorization Request**.

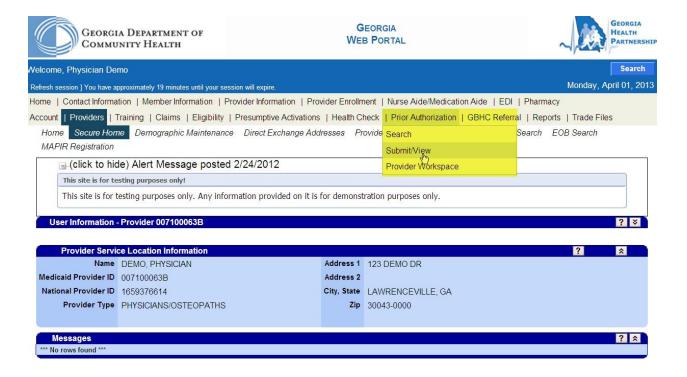


Figure 33

- A list displays with request types applicable to the requesting provider's category of service. For example, the following list displays when a physician provider is logged into the portal.
 - Medications PA Facility Setting
 - Medications PA Physician Office
 - Oral Max (Form Number: DMA-81)
 - Practitioner's Office Surgical Procedures (Form Number: GMCF form PA81/100)
 - Hospital Admissions and Outpatient Procedures (Form Number: GMCF form PA81/100)
 - In-State Transplants (Form Number: PA-81)
 - Out-of-State Services (Form Number: GMCF FAXOOS)
 - Additional Psychiatric Services (Form Number: GMCF PSY/PA)
 - Radiology-Facility Setting
 - Radiology-Physician Office
 - Additional Physician Office Visit (Form Number: DMA-81)

Figure 34

- Click the request type to be entered.
- 7. When the selected request type may be entered as a FFS PA or CMO PA, the user is prompted to select FFS or one of the Care Management Organizations.

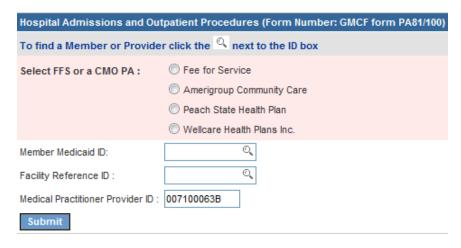


Figure 35

8. For CMO PA entry, click the button next to the specific CMO in which the member is enrolled.

Hospital Admissions and Outpatient Procedures (Form Number: GMCF form PA81/100)		
To find a Member or Provider click the 🔍 next to the ID box		
Fee For Service or CMO PA?	 Fee for Service Amerigroup Community Care Peach State Health Plan Wellcare Health Plans Inc. 	
Member Medicaid ID:	Q	
Facility Reference ID :	Q	
Medical Practitioner Provider ID :	007100063B	
Submit		

Figure 36

- 9. The provider ID of the requesting provider is auto-populated.
- 10. Enter the member's Medicaid ID.
- 11. If the request type selected requires a second provider ID (such as an inpatient admission/outpatient procedures request), enter the Reference ID for the other provider in the box provided. The Reference ID always starts with REF.

The figure below shows this page for a Hospital Admissions/Outpatient Procedures request. The physician is the requesting provider so the REF number for the hospital is entered. When the hospital is the requestor, the REF number for the medical practitioner is entered.



Figure 37

12. Some PA request types have only one provider ID associated with the request, such as Hospital Outpatient Therapy, Durable Medical Equipment, and Children's Intervention Services requests. For these request types, only the provider ID of the requesting provider is required. The next figure shows the authorization request page for a Hospital Outpatient Therapy request. The requesting provider must be a facility, and is the only provider ID required for this request type.



Figure 38

- 13. Once the required ID information is entered, click **Submit.** The system validates the member ID and provider ID(s) against member CMO enrollment and provider CMO affiliation status, respectively.
- 14. If the member is associated with the selected CMO, the request form opens.
- 15. If the member ID is not associated with the selected CMO based on member file data, a message displays indicating that 'Member is not enrolled in selected CMO'. A similar message displays if a provider is not affiliated with the selected CMO.

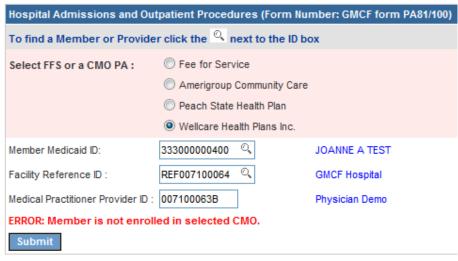


Figure 39

- 16. **Member Validation Message**: Be sure the correct CMO was selected, and the member ID was entered correctly. If not entered correctly, fix the data and re-submit. If the data was entered correctly, but the message persists, check with the specific Care Management Organization to verify CMO enrollment.
- 17. **Provider Validation Message**: A warning message also displays if the provider is not affiliated with the selected CMO. However, this message may be bypassed by clicking **Continue**, and the request can be entered. After entering the request, check with the CMO to confirm affiliation status.

3.2 Hospital Admissions and In-State Transplants

CMO requests for hospital admissions, including inpatient admissions and admissions for services provided in an outpatient hospital setting or ambulatory surgical center, are entered on the *Hospital Admissions and Outpatient Procedures* request template. Instate Transplant requests, for transplant services provided by GA Medicaid providers, are entered on the *In-State Transplants* request template. These requests may be submitted a maximum of 30 days prior to elective service/admission. Retrospective PA may be requested only if the service/admission was emergent.

The request templates utilized for hospital admissions and in-state transplants are identical except that the *Hospital Admissions/Outpatient Procedures* form may include **Additional Information** questions. The additional questions are system generated depending on data entered for one or more of the following: diagnosis, procedure code, place of service, and patient's current location (inpatient admissions only).

3.2.1 Enter Request Information

Member/Provider Information

When the request template opens, the member and provider information is system populated at the top of the page based on the member ID and provider IDs entered.

Contact Information

The system also populates the requesting provider's contact information in the **Contact Information** section. The 'Contact Name', 'Contact Phone', and 'Contact Fax' are required. If this information is missing, enter the information in the boxes provided. All contact information may be edited if incorrect.



Figure 40

Request Information

This section captures information specific to the admission. Follow the instructions under the specific CMO since there are some differences in data fields per CMO.

Amerigroup and WellCare:

- 1. In the 'Admit Date' box, enter the date of admission to the facility.
- 2. If the admission is an elective admission and the admission date is equal to the request date or is in the future, skip steps 3 and 4.
- 3. If the member was already discharged, enter the date in the 'Discharge Date' box.

OR

- 4. If the member is still in the facility, check 'Still in Facility'.
- 5. Select the place where the service was provided or is to be provided from the 'Place of Service' the drop list.

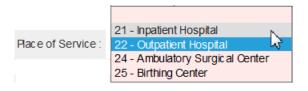


Figure 41

6. Select the type of admission related to the request from the 'Admission Type' drop list.

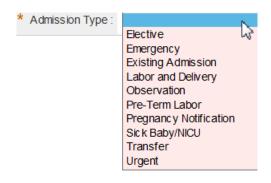


Figure 42

7. If *Urgent or Emergency* is selected as the admission type, a message displays as a reminder that urgent or emergency admissions are only valid in life threatening situations. The warning message **does not prevent PA submission**. Clinical data provided to support the need for admission should also substantiate the emergent nature of the patient's condition.



WARNING: Urgent and Emergent admissions are only valid in life threatening situations.

Figure 43

Peach State:

- 1. In the 'Admit Date' box, enter the date of admission to the facility.
- 2. If the admission is an elective admission and the admission date is equal to the request date or is in the future, skip steps 3 and 4.
- If the member was already discharged, enter the 'Discharge Date'.

OR

- 4. If the member is still in the facility, check 'Still in Facility'; and then enter the expected discharge date in the 'Targeted Discharge Date' box.
- 5. Select the type of admission related to the request from the 'Admission Type' drop list.

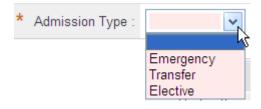


Figure 44

6. If *Emergency* is selected as the admission type, a message displays as a reminder that urgent/emergency admissions are only valid in life threatening situations. The warning message **does not prevent PA entry**. Clinical data provided to support the need for admission should also substantiate the emergent nature of the patient's condition.

7. Select the place where the service was provided or is to be provided from the 'Place of Service' the drop list.

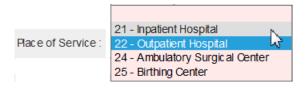


Figure 45

8. Next, select the 'Level of Urgency' related to the hospitalization/service requested.



Figure 46



WARNING: Urgent and Emergent admissions are only valid in life threatening situations.

Figure 47

Current Location of Member

If *Inpatient* is selected as the place of service, and *Emergency* or *Urgent* selected as the type of admission, the following questions display:



Figure 48

9. If the patient's current location in the hospital is known, select that location from the drop list. Otherwise, select *Unknown*.



Figure 49

10. Next, indicate whether or not the patient failed to improve enough to safely discharge after 48 hours of hospital care by clicking *Yes*, *No* or *Unknown*.



Figure 50

Expedited Review

Providers may request an expedited review when the standard timeframe for approvals would seriously jeopardize a member's life or health.

- 11. Click 'Yes' to the question if an expedited review is being requested. Otherwise, click 'No' if an expedited review is not being requested.
- 12. If 'Yes' is selected, provide a description of the circumstances which necessitate an expedited review.



Figure 51

Diagnosis

The Diagnosis table captures the diagnosis code, code description, diagnosis date, primary diagnosis indicator, admission diagnosis indicator, and diagnosis type (ICD9 or ICD10). If the date of service is 10/1/2015 or greater, an ICD-10 diagnosis code should be used. Only one primary diagnosis may be entered although more than one admission diagnosis may be entered.

- 13. The primary diagnosis must be entered on the first diagnosis line. Enter the diagnosis code in the 'Diag Code' box. If the code includes a decimal point, enter the code with the decimal point.
- 14. It is also possible to search for a code by the diagnosis description. Click the spy glass symbol in the code box; enter the description and click search. Select the code and the system populates the diagnosis code in the code box.
- 15. Enter the date that the primary diagnosis was established in the 'Date' box or enter the admission date as the diagnosis date. **Note:** The diagnosis date should correspond to the diagnosis code entered. If an ICD9 code is entered, the date should be before 10/1/15; if an ICD10 code is entered, the date should be 10/1/15 or greater.
- 16. The system pre-populates the 'Primary' diagnosis checkbox and the 'Admission' diagnosis checkbox on the first diagnosis line. **Do not remove the check in the Primary diagnosis box.** If you remove the primary diagnosis check, an error message will display when an attempt is made to submit the PA. The 'Admission' checkbox may be unchecked.

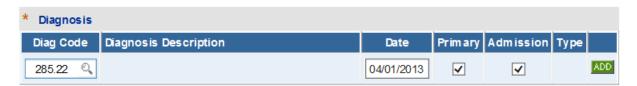


Figure 52

17. Click Add to add the primary diagnosis code information to the request.

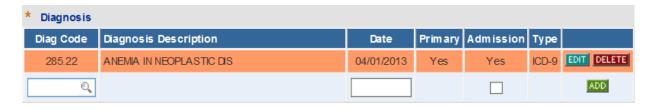


Figure 53

- 18. Follow the same process to add other diagnosis codes, as applicable. Remember to click **Add** after each line of diagnosis information is entered.
- 19. If a diagnosis code is entered that is not 5010 compliant (meaning that the code is unspecified or not specific enough), this warning message displays: Invalid or unspecified code and/or has a more specific ICD code value. Please check your input. When this message displays, the diagnosis code must be changed in order to proceed with the request.

Procedures

The Procedures Table captures CPT Code, CPT code description (auto-populated), procedure 'From Date' and 'To Date', units requested, and modifiers (if applicable). Instate Transplant requests and Outpatient Hospital/Ambulatory Surgical Center requests require at least one procedure code. Inpatient hospital admissions may or may not require a procedure depending on the service(s) requested and CMO PA requirements.

If the requesting provider is a participating provider in the selected CMO's network, a direct link to the CMO's PA Lookup Tool is provided above the procedures section as shown in the next figure. The lookup tool may be used to determine if a procedure requires PA.

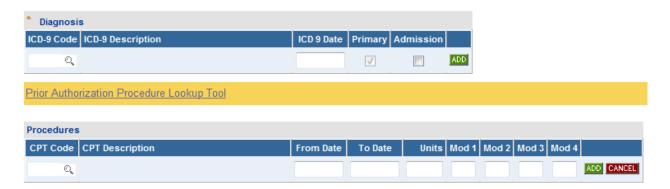


Figure 54

However, if any provider associated with the PA is not a participating provider, the Lookup Tool is not provided and this disclaimer displays: "It does not appear that <<pre>rovider name>> associated with this request is a CMO participating provider. Consequently, all requested procedures/services require prior authorization."

20. In the Procedures table, enter the procedure code for a requested service in the 'CPT Code' box or search of the code and the system inserts in the 'CPT Code' box.

- 21. Enter the date of service for the procedure in the 'From Date' box; and enter the end date of service in the 'To Date' box.
- 22. Enter the units requested for the procedure under 'Units'.
- 23. If a modifier is required for the procedure **per CMO policy**, enter the modifier in the 'Mod 1' box, otherwise leave blank.
- 24. Click **Add** to add the procedure code to the request. When **Add** is clicked, a blank procedure line displays, and the **Edit** button is available on the procedure line just entered.



Figure 55

25. Follow the same process to add other procedure codes, if applicable. Remember to click **Add** after each procedure line is entered.

Note: Do not enter procedures for services handled by CMO third party vendors associated with CMO PA types **not yet added** to the centralized PA portal process. When an attempt is made to add a procedure code for one of these services, the following message displays: "Code cprocedure code> is reviewed in an outpatient setting by a vendor for <CMO Name>. Please refer to the <CMO Name> website."

Transfer Information

This section captures the reasons for patient transfer to or from a facility.



Figure 56

- 26. Respond to each general transfer question by clicking 'Yes' or 'No'.
- 27. When 'Yes' is selected for either transfer question, transfer information checkboxes display.

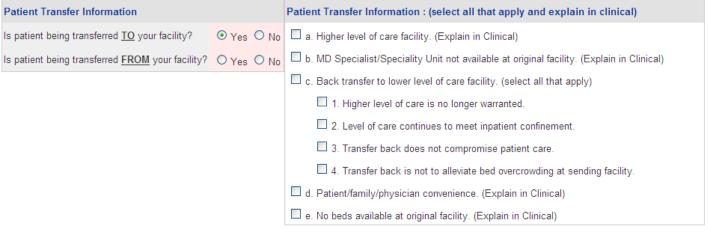


Figure 57

28. Check all the boxes that apply to explain the reason(s) for the transfer. If 'c' is checked, then 1, or 2, or 3 or 4 must be checked.

Supporting Information

This section captures information supporting the medical necessity of the services requested

- 29. Enter a synopsis of the patient's presenting clinical situation in the first box; and a description of the patient's treatment in the second box.
- 30. If the request is to notify the CMO of an inpatient admission, and the specific clinical/treatment plan information is to be provided after the request is submitted, enter 'Information to be attached' in the text boxes.

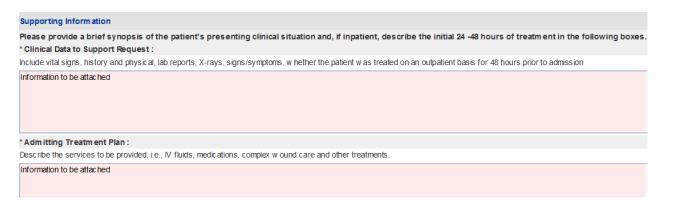


Figure 58

Additional Information Questions

In this section, additional questions may display depending on the diagnosis codes, procedure codes, admission type, and/or current location entered on the request. The additional information questions are generally required but providers can bypass the questions when the request is for an inpatient emergency/urgent admission with an admission date equal to or before the current date; AND the clinical data is not known at the time that the request is submitted. However, providers need to attest to this fact (see #32 below).

31. Click *Yes, No,* or *Unknown* for each question. For some questions, additional responses are required when yes is selected. The next figure shows the additional information questions that display for an inpatient admission request for a member with a diagnosis of anemia in neoplastic disease.

Additional Information	
Please enter additional information. All questions are required.	
Inpatient Cancer and Anemia	
1 Does patient have a diagnosis of cancer and a planned 2 or more days stay for non-experimental cancer treatment?	ť.
	O Yes No O Unknown
2 ls HCT below 21.0 and patient requires multiple units of blood or blood products?	
3 Is the sickle cell patient in acute painful crisis receiving IVFs and IV analgesics?	
	O Yes No O Unknown
Figure 59	

- 32. When all data is entered on the request form, click **Review Request** at the bottom of the page to display the *Attestation Statement*. If a message displays that 'information is missing or incorrect', scroll up the page to find what is missing or incorrect. 'Required' displays next to a data box when information is missing. Enter or correct the data, and then click **Review Request** again.
- 33. An attestation statement displays. Review the *Attestation Statement* carefully. Click the checkbox verifying the last statement of the attestation statement. Then, click I Agree. You must click agree to submit the request.

To the best of my knowledge, the information I am submitting in this transaction is true, accurate, complete and is in compliance with applicable Department of Community Health polices and procedures. I am submitting this information to the Georgia Department of Community Health, Division of Medical Assistance, for the purpose of obtaining a prior authorization number.

I understand that any material falsification, omission or misrepresentation of any information in this transaction will result in denial of payment and may subject the provider to criminal, civil or other administration penalties.

I understand that this CMO pre-certification request does not guarantee payment, approval of service or member benefit eligibility for the service.

To accept this information and proceed with your transaction, please click 'I agree'.

If you are notifying the CMO of the admission without all needed clinical data but are notifying they do not provide the clinical data at this time, you should submit that information within 24 hours of this notification. This attestation states that you understand that additional clinical data has been requested with the request, and that you are bypassing it because it is unknown at this time.

I Agree

Figure 60

- 34. Review the information entered on the request. To change information entered, click **Edit Request**. Otherwise, click **Submit Request**.
- 35. When the request is successfully submitted, the system displays the Alliant tracking number. The Alliant tracking ID is a 12 digit number that starts with "7".

GMCF Tracking ID : 713050999999 Amerigroup Community Care Authorization ID : Not Available Status : Pending

Figure 61

The Alliant tracking number may be used to search for the case via the portal but is not the PA ID used for claims submission or adjudication. The CMO authorization number is used for claims submission/adjudication. The CMO authorization number is added to the PA on the portal once the CMO reviews the PA and sends the decision data to Alliant.

36. To enter a new request under the same Portal ID/provider, click Enter a New PA Request. The request type menu page re-displays.

3.3 Hospital Outpatient Therapy

CMO PA requests for therapeutic services provided in an outpatient hospital setting or ambulatory surgical center are submitted utilizing the *Hospital Outpatient Therapy* request template. Hospital Outpatient Therapy requests may only be requested by a facility (outpatient hospital or ambulatory surgical center). The *Hospital Outpatient Therapy* request form includes additional information questions which are required regardless of the therapeutic services requested. These requests may be submitted a maximum of 30 days prior to elective service/admission. Retrospective PA may be requested only if the service/admission was emergent.

3.3.1 Enter Request Information

Member/Provider Information

When the request template opens, the member and provider information is system populated at the top of the page based on the member ID and provider ID entered.

Contact Information

The system also populates the requesting provider's contact information in the **Contact Information** section. The 'Contact Name', 'Contact Phone', and 'Contact Fax' are required. If this information is missing, enter the information in the boxes provided. All contact information may be edited if incorrect.



Figure 62

Request Information

This section captures information specific to the admission. Follow the instructions under the specific CMO since there are some differences in data fields per CMO.

Amerigroup and Wellcare:

- 1. From the 'Place of Service' drop list, select *Ambulatory Surgical Center* or *Outpatient Hospital*.
- 2. In the 'Therapy Start Date' box, enter the date that the services being requested will start or did start.
- 3. Select the applicable 'Admission Type' from the drop list.

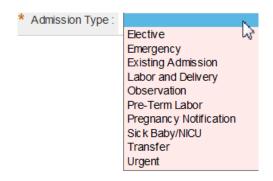


Figure 63



Figure 64

Peach State:

- 4. From the 'Place of Service' drop list, select *Ambulatory Surgical Center* or *Outpatient Hospital*.
- 5. In the 'Therapy Start Date' box, enter the date that the services being requested will start or did start.
- 6. Select the applicable 'Admission Type' from the drop list.

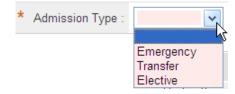


Figure 65

7. Select the 'Level of Urgency' from the drop list related to the service(s) requested.

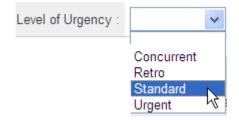


Figure 66



Figure 67

Diagnosis

The Diagnosis table captures the diagnosis code, code description, diagnosis date, primary diagnosis indicator, admission diagnosis indicator, and diagnosis type (ICD9 or ICD10). If the date of service is 10/1/2015 or greater, an ICD-10 diagnosis code should be entered. Only one primary diagnosis may be entered.

- 8. The primary diagnosis must be entered on the first diagnosis line. Enter the diagnosis code in the 'Diag Code' box. If the code includes a decimal point, enter the code with the decimal point.
- 9. It is also possible to search for a code by the diagnosis description. Click the spy glass symbol in the code box; enter the description; select ICD9 or ICD10; and click **Search**. Select the code and the system populates the diagnosis code in the code box.
- 10. Enter the date that the primary diagnosis was established in the 'Date' box or enter the admission date as the diagnosis date. **Note:** The diagnosis date should correspond to the diagnosis code entered. If an ICD9 code is entered, the date should be before 10/1/15; if an ICD10 code is entered, the date should be 10/1/15 or greater.
- 11. The system pre-populates the 'Primary' diagnosis checkbox and the 'Admission' diagnosis checkbox on the first diagnosis line. Do not remove the check in the Primary diagnosis box. If you remove the primary diagnosis check, an error message will display when an attempt is made to submit the PA. The 'Admission' checkbox may be unchecked.

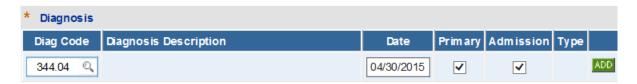


Figure 68

12. Click Add to add the primary diagnosis code information to the request.

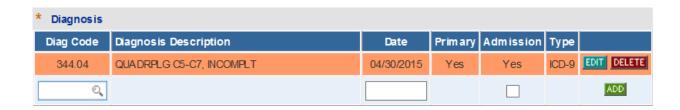


Figure 69

- 13. Follow the same process to add other diagnosis codes, as applicable. Remember to click Add after each line of diagnosis information is entered.
- 14. If the diagnosis code is entered which is not 5010 compliant (meaning that the code is unspecified or not specific enough), this warning message displays: Invalid or unspecified code and/or has a more specific ICD code value. Please check your input. When this message displays, the diagnosis code must be changed in order to proceed with the request.

Procedures

The Procedures Table captures CPT Code(s), dates of service, requested units, and number of visits per week. If the requesting provider is a participating provider in the selected CMO's network, a direct link to the CMO's PA lookup tool is provided above the procedures section as shown in the next figure. The lookup tool may be used to determine if a procedure requires PA.



Figure 70

If the provider associated with the request is not a participating provider, the Lookup Tool is not available and this disclaimer displays: "It does not appear that <<pre>provider name>> associated
with this request is a CMO participating provider. Consequently, all requested procedures/services require prior authorization."

- 15. Enter the procedure code for the service requested in the 'CPT Code' box; or search for the procedure code and the system inserts the procedure code.
- 16. In the 'From Date' box, enter the start date of service, and, in the 'To Date' box, enter the end date of service. Each procedure line may be entered for more than one month, such as 4/1/2013 6/31/2013.
- 17. In the 'Units' box, enter the number of visits requested during the procedure date span.
- 18. From the 'Number of Visits per Week' drop list, select the visits per week for the service requested. If the service is to be provided only once, select 'I Time Only'.



Figure 71

- 19. Click **Add** to add the procedure code to the request. When **Add** is clicked, a blank procedure line displays and the **Edit** button is available on the procedure line just entered.
- 20. Follow the same process to add other procedure codes, if applicable. Remember to click **Add** after each procedure line is entered.

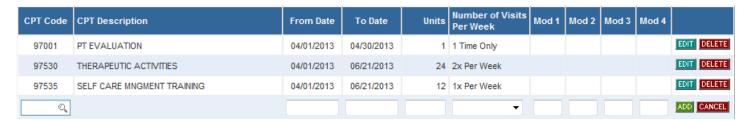


Figure 72

Supporting Information

This section captures information supporting the medical necessity of the therapeutic services requested for the patient's treatment and rehabilitation.

21. Enter a synopsis of the patient's presenting clinical situation in the first box; and a description of the patient's treatment in the second box.



Figure 73

Additional Information Questions

Additional questions display at the bottom of the request form. All questions are required except for the 'Range of Motion' and 'Strength Evaluation' sections. However, the range of motion and strength sections should be completed when this information supports the medical necessity of the services requested.

22. Respond *Yes* or *No* to each question. If yes is the response, additional data may be required.

The following screen shots provide an example of the additional questions and response options.

OutPatient Therapy

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Additional information is required for Code 97530,97530,97001,97530.

The following questions will be used for obtaining additional information related to Hospital Outpatient Therapies For each PA the page is only needed once All questions require a response_with the exceptions being 'conditional' responses or sections designated as required for a PT or OT code

Please note per section 903.5 Hospital Services Manual "Rehabilitation as defined by federal regulation is not covered in the Hospital program. However, shon term rehabilitation services, i.e., physical therapy, occupational therapy and speech therapy are covered immediately following and in treatment of acute illness, injury or impairment..." when certain conditions are met

Is this request for wheelchair e	valuation. management. or training?		O Yes O No		
Aie the services requested inte	nded as short term therapy for an acute medical condit	ion?	O Yes O No		
If Yes provide the acute diag	nosis -	Ī	thrombotic stroke		
and date of onset		1	0410112013		
Is thes a request for continued there	ppy seMces ?	O Yes O	No		
If Yes ondocate the progress toward	rds treatment goals dunng the last month				
Does the Member suff'er from any c	hrontc Illness?	O Yos O	No O Unknown		
Does the Member sufFer hom any			os O No O Unknown		
tf Yes Pf0\'tde the diagnosas for	the chrome tilness	Otabe	etes		
Is the Member receMng other rel- Children-s Intervention SeMces of tfYes tndtcate which programs		h as O	Yes O No O Unknown		
				×	
Range of Motion Evaluation	n :		Strength Eval uation		
	ange of motion, complete this section. Indicate the rithe affected part(s) of the body based on the most cur			d to strength, complete this section. Indicate the curre affected part(s) of the body based on the most current as	
Affected Body Pan	Side Affected	Range of Motion	Affected Body Pan	Side affected	
FeeVAnkle	\bigcirc N/A \bigcirc Both \bigcirc Left Side \bigcirc Right Side		FeeVAnkle	O N/A O Both O Left Side O Right Side	
Knee	O N/A O Both O Left Side O Right Side		Knee	O N/A O Both O Left Side O Right Side	9
О Нір	O N/A O Both O Left Side O Right Side	с:::=J	□ Hip	O N/A O Both O Left Side O Right Side	c=J
D Spine	O N/A O Both O Left Side O Right Side	c=J	□ Spine	O N/A O Both O Left Side O Right Side	c=J
■ Shoulder	O N/A O Both O Left Side O Right Side	c=J	□ Shoulder	O N/A O Both O Left Side O Right Side	c=J
D Elbow	O N/A O Both O Left Side O Right Side	с:::=J	□ Elbow	O N/A O Both O Left Side O Right Side	c=J
D wnst	O N/A O Both O Left Side O Right Side	с:::=J	D wrist	O N/A O Both O Left Side O Right Side	c=J
Hand	O N/A O Both O Left Side O Right Side		Hand	O N/A O Both O Left Side O Right Side	9
□ Fingers	O N/A O Both O Left Side O Right Side	c=J	□ Fingers	O N/A O Both O Left Side O Right Side	c=J
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Has a medical practitioner (physician, nurse practitioner or physician assistant) certified that these services are necessary for the treatment of the acute illness, injury or impairment; and/or that these services are necessary to the establishment of a safe and effective maintenance program?	Yes ○ No
If yes, date of certification :	04/01/2013
Medical Practitioner Name :	Doctor John
Medical Practitioner contact number :	444-444-4444
Is the treatment plan signed by a Medical Practitioner?	Yes ○ No
If Yes, date signed by Medical Practitioner :	04/01/2013
Does the treatment plan include a statement about the Member's rehabilitation potential ?	○ Yes No
If Yes, provide this statement.	
	<u>^</u>
Can these therapy services be effectively provided by a family member/non-professional?	○ Yes ○ No ④ Unknown

Figure 74

- 23. When all data is entered on the request form, click Review Request at the bottom of the page to display the Attestation Statement. If a message displays that 'information is missing or incorrect', scroll up the page to find what is missing or incorrect. 'Required' displays next to a data box when information is missing. Enter or correct the data, and then click Review Request again.
- 24. Review the *Attestation Statement* and, if in agreement, click I Agree. You must click agree to submit the request.

To the best of my knowledge, the information I am submitting in this transaction is true, accurate, complete and is in compliance with applicable Department of Community Health polices and procedures. I am submitting this information to the Georgia Department of Community Health, Division of Medical Assistance, for the purpose of obtaining a prior authorization number.

I understand that any material falsification, omission or misrepresentation of any information in this transaction will result in denial of payment and may subject the provider to criminal, civil or other administration penalties.

I understand that this CMO pre-certification request does not guarantee payment, approval of service or member benefit eligibility for the service.

To accept this information and proceed with your transaction, please click 'I agree'.

Figure 75

- 25. Review the information entered on the request. To change information entered, click **Edit Request**. Otherwise, click **Submit Request**.
- 26. When the request is successfully submitted, the system displays the Alliant tracking number. The Alliant tracking ID is a 12 digit number that starts with "7".

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Figure 76

The Alliant tracking number may be used to search for the case via the portal but is not the PA ID used for claims submission or adjudication. The CMO authorization number is used for claims submission/adjudication. The CMO authorization number is added to the PA on the portal once the CMO reviews the PA and sends the decision data to Alliant.

27. To enter a new request under the same Portal ID/provider, click **Enter a New PA Request**. The request type menu page re-displays.

3.4 Durable Medical Equipment

CMO PA requests for Durable Medical Equipment (DME) are submitted utilizing the *Durable Medical Equipment (Form DMA610)* request template. Additional questions may be pulled into the request template depending on the procedure/modifier entered. Only DME providers may request a PA for Durable Medical Equipment. Providers may attach supporting documentation to the request upon submission or to an existing pending request. Attachments are required for high cost wheelchair codes.

3.4.1 Enter Request Information

Member/Provider Information

When the request template opens, the member and provider information is system populated at the top of the page based on the member ID and provider ID entered.

Contact Information

The system also populates the requesting provider's contact information in the **Contact Information** section. The 'Contact Name', 'Contact Phone', and 'Contact Fax' are required. If this information is missing, enter the information in the boxes provided. All contact information may be edited if incorrect.



Figure 77

Request Information

This section captures place of service.

Select Home or Other.



Figure 78

Diagnosis

The Diagnosis table captures the diagnosis code, code description, diagnosis date, primary diagnosis indicator, and diagnosis type (ICD9 or ICD10). If the date of service is 10/1/2015 or greater, an ICD-10 diagnosis code should be entered.

- 2. The primary diagnosis must be entered on the first diagnosis line. Enter the primary diagnosis code in the 'Diag Code' box. If the code includes a decimal point, enter the code with the decimal point.
- 3. It is also possible to search for a code by the diagnosis description. Click the spy glass symbol in the code box; enter the description; select ICD9 or ICD10; and click Search. Select the code and the system populates the diagnosis code in the code box.
- 4. Enter the date that the primary diagnosis was established in the 'Date' box or enter the date of service as the diagnosis date. **Note:** The diagnosis date should correspond to the diagnosis code entered. If an ICD9 code is entered, the date should be before 10/1/15; if an ICD10 code is entered, the date should be 10/1/15 or greater.
- 5. The system defaults the first diagnosis line to 'Primary'. **Do not remove the check in the Primary box on the first diagnosis line.** If you remove the primary diagnosis check, an error message will display when an attempt is made to submit the PA.

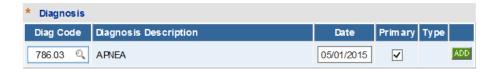


Figure 79

6. Click Add to add the primary diagnosis code information to the request.

Note: If a diagnosis code is entered, which is not 5010 compliant (meaning that the code is unspecified or not specific enough), this warning message displays: **Invalid or unspecified code and/or has a more specific ICD code value. Please check your input.** When this message displays, the diagnosis code must be changed.

When Add is clicked, a blank diagnosis line displays; and Edit and Delete are available on the diagnosis line added.

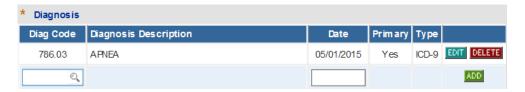


Figure 80

8. Follow the same process to add other diagnosis codes, as applicable. Remember to click **Add** after each line of diagnosis information is entered.

Procedures

The Procedures table captures the following required data: CPT/HCPCS code, procedure description, from and to dates of service, months/units of service requested, requested price per unit, and modifiers. In addition, for certain types of equipment, the table captures additional data: equipment make, equipment model, manufacturer's ID and serial number. If the requesting provider is affiliated with the selected CMO, then a link to the CMO's Procedure Lookup displays.

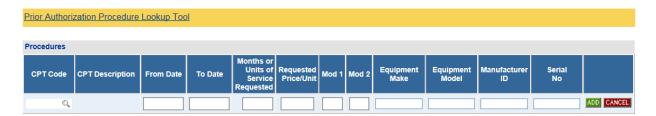


Figure 81

If the provider is not affiliated with the CMO (non-participating provider), the Lookup Tool is not available and the following disclaimer displays: "Disclaimer: It does not appear that provider>
associated with this request is a CMO participating provider. Consequently, all requested procedures/services require prior authorization."

- 9. Enter the CPT/HCPCS code for a DME item in the 'CPT Code' box; or search for the procedure code to have the system insert the code.
- 10. Procedure description is auto-populated when the procedure is added.
- 11. Enter the start date of service in the 'From Date' box. An end date of service may be entered in the 'To Date' box, but is optional. If a 'To Date' is added, it can only go up to twelve (12) months.
- 12. Enter the months or units of service requested in the next box.

- 13. Enter the requested price per unit/month of service in the 'Requested Price/Unit' box.
- 14. Enter the modifier in the 'Mod 1' box. Modifiers are optional.
- 15. If applicable to the equipment requested and required by the specific CMO policy, enter the equipment make, model, manufacturer's ID and serial number.
- 16. Click Add to add the procedure code to the request. When Add is clicked, a blank procedure line displays, and the Edit and Delete buttons are available on the procedure line just entered.



Figure 82

17. Follow the same process to add other procedure codes, if applicable. Remember to click **Add** after each procedure line is entered.

Repairs and Replacements



Figure 83

18. This section is completed for equipment repairs and/or replacements over \$250.00. Fill in the data in each box and then click **Add**.

Therapist Information, Patient Information and Justification

This section captures the following required information: member's height and weight, and information related to the physician prescription for services. Therapist information and justification for services may be provided but is optional.

- 19. Enter the member's height in inches and the weight in pounds.
- 20. Respond yes or no to the question: Was a signed physician's prescription or certificate of medical necessity on file within 90 days of the request.
- 21. Respond yes or no to the next question regarding a practitioner face-to-face encounter.
- 22. If yes to the face-to-face encounter, enter the date if the encounter.
- 23. Enter the physician's last name and first name.

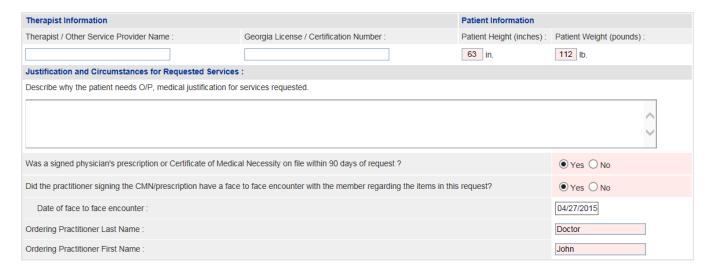


Figure 84

Additional Information Questions

Additional information questions may be pulled into the request depending on the procedure and modifier entered. In general, response to the questions is required. The next figure displays the questions for certain oxygen codes.

Is Member on continu	ious Oxygen Therapy	? • Yes O No							
Prescription Informa	ation :								
Date Oxygen Prescribed :	04/27/2015	● Initial ○ Re	enewal	Date Last Seen by Physician :	04/27/2015	Method of Delivery :	Trach	`	
Liters Per Minute :	1	Hours Per Day :	6	Estimated Length of Tim	ne Oxygen is Needed:	6 month(s)			
If portable oxygen pre	escribed, please selec	t at least one of the	following:						
✓ Doctor's office vis	sits Use at night [Shopping/Church	Other (ple	ase describe)					
If Other is selected, p	lease describe :								
									1
Is there a signed state Member's home ?	ement on file verifying	that there is no smo	oking in the	● Yes ○ No					
Laboratory Results									
ABG Performed ?		○ Yes No		Date of Test :		PO2 Result :			
Oxygen Saturation Pe	erformed ?	● Yes ○ No		Date of Test :	04/27/2015	Oxygen Saturation Test Result :	89	96	
	ned on Room Air ?	● Yes ○ No							
Was the Test Perform									
Was the Test Perform	ned on room air, prov	ide explanation :							-
	ned on room air, prov	ide explanation ;							
	ned on room air, prov	ide explanation ;							

Figure 85

- 24. When all data is entered on the request form, click **Review Request** at the bottom of the page to display the *Attestation Statement*. If a message displays that 'information is missing or incorrect', scroll up the page to find what is missing or incorrect. 'Required' displays next to a data box when information is missing. Enter or correct the data, and then click **Review Request** again.
- 25. Review the *Attestation Statement* and click **I Agree**. You must click agree to submit the request.

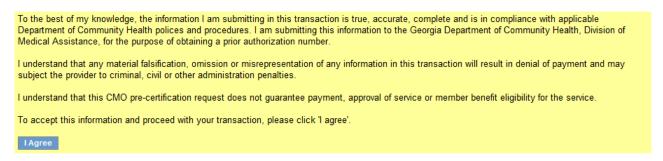


Figure 86

26. Review the information entered on the request. To change information entered, click **Edit Request**. Otherwise, click **Submit Request**.

27. When the request is successfully submitted, the system displays the Alliant tracking number. The Alliant tracking ID is a 12 digit number that starts with "7". The Alliant tracking number may be used to search for the case via the portal but is not the PA ID used for claims submission or adjudication. The CMO authorization number is used for claims submission/adjudication. The CMO authorization number is added to the PA on the portal once the CMO reviews the PA and sends the decision data to Alliant.

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Figure 87

- 28. At this point, supporting documentation may be attached to the PA.
- 29. Go to *Create an Attachment* near the middle of the page. This section includes checkboxes for each required document.
- 30. Check the boxes for the document types that will be attached. It is preferable to attach one file with all the documents.
- 31. To attach the file, click **Browse**; find and open the file. The file name displays in the attachment panel.
- 32. Click Attach File. The attached file displays in the Attach File table.

3.5 Children's Intervention Services

CMO PA requests for members in the Children's Intervention Services program are submitted via the web portal utilizing the *Children's Intervention Services* request template. The submission of CIS requests is restricted to providers with a Children's Intervention Services (840) category of service. Providers may attach required supporting documentation to the request upon submission or to an existing pending request.

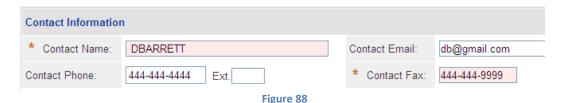
3.5.1 Enter Request Information

Member/Provider Information

When the request template opens, the member and provider information is system populated at the top of the page based on the member ID and provider ID entered.

Contact Information

The system also populates the requesting provider's contact information in the **Contact Information** section. The 'Contact Name', 'Contact Phone', and 'Contact Fax' are required. If this information is missing, enter the information in the boxes provided. All contact information may be edited if incorrect.



Request Information:

This section captures the location where the service is rendered.

1. Enter the 'Place of Service' by selecting the service location from the drop list. The place of service defaults to *Office*. If this is not correct, select: *School, Home*, or *Outpatient Hospital*.



Figure 89

Diagnosis

The Diagnosis table captures the diagnosis code, code description, diagnosis date, primary diagnosis indicator, and diagnosis type (ICD9 or ICD10). If the date of service is 10/1/2015 or greater, an ICD10 diagnosis code should be entered.

- 2. The primary diagnosis must be entered on the first diagnosis line. Enter the primary diagnosis code in the 'Diag Code' box. If the code includes a decimal point, enter the code with the decimal point.
- 3. It is also possible to search for a code by the diagnosis description. Click the spy glass symbol in the code box; enter the description; select ICD9 or ICD10; and click Search. Select the code and the system populates the diagnosis code in the code box.
- 4. Enter the date that the primary diagnosis was established in the 'Date' box or enter the date of service as the diagnosis date. **Note:** The diagnosis date should correspond to the diagnosis code entered. If an ICD9 code is entered, the date should be before 10/1/15; if an ICD10 code is entered, the date should be 10/1/15 or greater.
- 5. The system defaults the first diagnosis line to 'Primary'. **Do not remove the check in the Primary box on the first diagnosis line.** If you remove the primary diagnosis check, an error message will display when an attempt is made to submit the PA.

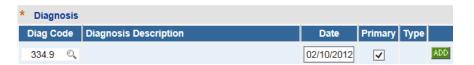


Figure 90

- 6. Click Add to add the primary diagnosis code information to the request.
 Note: If a diagnosis code is entered, which is not 5010 compliant (meaning that the code is unspecified or not specific enough), this warning message displays: Invalid or unspecified code and/or has a more specific ICD code value. Please check your input. When this message displays, the diagnosis code must be changed.
- When Add is clicked, a blank diagnosis line displays; and Edit and Delete are available on the diagnosis line added.

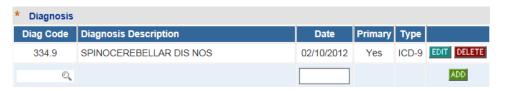


Figure 91

8. Follow the same process to add other diagnosis codes, as applicable. Remember to click **Add** after each line of diagnosis information is entered.

Procedures

The Procedures table captures the following required data: CPT code, procedure description, from and to dates of service, units requested, and modifiers. If the requesting provider is affiliated with the selected CMO, then a link to the CMO's Procedure Lookup displays.

Prior Authorization Procedure Lookup Tool

If the requesting provider is not affiliated with the CMO (non-participating provider) then the following disclaimer displays: "Disclaimer: It does not appear that
request is a CMO participating provider. Consequently, all requested procedures/services require prior authorization."

- 9. Enter the CPT code for the therapeutic service in the 'CPT Code' box; or search for the procedure code to have the system insert the code.
- 10. Procedure description is auto-populated when the procedure is added.
- 11. Enter the start date of service in the 'From Date' box and the end date in the 'To Date' box. Each procedure/service may be entered for multiple months on one procedure line, such as 5/1/2015 7/31/2015.
- 12. Enter the units of service requested in the next box.
- 13. Modifiers are optional. Modifiers entered should be entered in the correct order under 'Mod 1' and 'Mod 2', as applicable.
- 14. Click **Add** to add the procedure code to the request. When **Add** is clicked, a blank procedure line displays, and the **Edit** and **Delete** buttons are available on the procedure line just added.
- 15. To add other procedures/services, follow the same process. Remember to click Add after entering the procedure information.



Figure 92

Program/Service Information

This section captures the following information: Date admitted to CIS, type of service requested, justification for services, outcome information, and required documentation.

- 16. Enter the date that the member was admitted to the Children's Intervention Services program. This is required.
- 17. Select the type of service to be provided. This is optional.
- 18. Enter the reason that the services are being requested in the textbox provided. If supporting documentation that justifies services is to be attached to the PA, enter *See Attached* in this box.
- 19. Enter the name of the member's PCP in the 'Primary Care Physician Name' box. This is required.



Figure 93

20. The next three textboxes capture information related to the goals, expectations, and progress outcomes for current and requested services. Enter *See Attached* in each box if this information is to be attached to the PA.

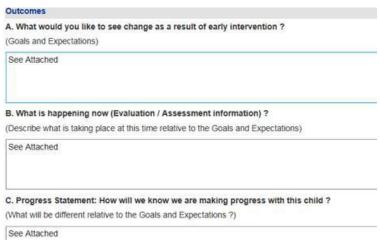


Figure 94

21. At the bottom of the request form are questions related to supporting documentation that is required for authorization of services in the CIS program. Respond Yes or No to each question. Depending on the response, it may be necessary to enter a date related to a required information, or add an explanation. The 'Name of the Service Coordinator' is only applicable to members in *Babies Can't Wait*.



22. When all data is entered on the request form, click Review Request at the bottom of the page to display the Attestation Statement. If the Attestation Statement does not display when Review Request is selected; or a message displays that 'information is missing or incorrect', scroll up the page to find what is missing or incorrect. 'Required' displays next to a data box when information is missing. Enter or correct the data, and then click Review Request again.

23. Review the *Attestation Statement* and, if in agreement, click **I Agree**. You must click agree to submit the request.

To the best of my knowledge, the information I am submitting in this transaction is true, accurate, complete and is in compliance with applicable Department of Community Health polices and procedures. I am submitting this information to the Georgia Department of Community Health, Division of Medical Assistance, for the purpose of obtaining a prior authorization number.

I understand that any material falsification, omission or misrepresentation of any information in this transaction will result in denial of payment and may subject the provider to criminal, civil or other administration penalties.

I understand that this CMO pre-certification request does not guarantee payment, approval of service or member benefit eligibility for the service.

To accept this information and proceed with your transaction, please click 'I agree'.

I Agree

Figure 95

- 24. Review the information entered on the request. To change information entered, click **Edit Request**. Otherwise, click **Submit Request**.
- 25. When the request is successfully submitted, the system displays the Alliant tracking number. The Alliant tracking ID is a 12 digit number that starts with "7". The Alliant tracking number may be used to search for the case via the portal but is not the PA ID used for claims submission or adjudication. The CMO authorization number is used for claims submission/adjudication. The CMO authorization number is added to the PA on the portal once the CMO reviews the PA and sends the decision data to Alliant.

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- 26. At this point, supporting documentation may be attached to the PA.
- 27. Go to *Create an Attachment*. This section includes checkboxes for each required document.
- 28. Check the boxes for the document types that will be attached. It is preferable to attach one file with all the documents.

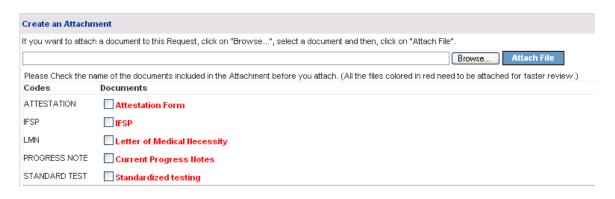


Figure 96

- 29. To attach the file, click **Browse**; find and open the file.
- 30. The file name displays in the attachment panel. Click Attach File.
- 31. The attached file displays in the **Attach File** table.

4.0 CMO PA Search

Providers may search for CMO PAs and view PA decision status utilizing the CMO search function available on the *Provider Workspace*.

4.1 Search Instructions

- 1. Go to the GA Web Portal at www.mmis.georgia.gov.
- Login with assigned user ID and password.
- 3. On the portal secure home page, click the **Prior Authorization** tab.
- 4. Click Provider Workspace.
- Under CMO Authorization Requests, select Search or Submit Clinical notes / Attach
 Documentation for CMO PA Requests to open the search page.

Search or Submit Clinical notes / Attach Documentation for CMO PA Requests - Use this link to search or attach documentation to CMO prior authorization requests. More... Submit Concurrent Review Information for CMO PAs (Change Requests) - Use this link to request a change to existing authorization requests. More... Submit Reconsideration Requests for CMO PAs - Use this link to request a reconsideration to a denied case. More...

Figure 97

6. The search page opens with the provider ID auto-populated, and the 'Select CMO' indicator defaulted to ALL.



Figure 98

The provider ID is associated with the portal login credentials, or is populated based on the provider ID that the user 'switches to' after login. **The provider ID cannot be changed on the Search page.** The 'Select CMO' indicator may be changed to a specific CMO.



Figure 99

- 7. The best way to search for a specific case is by the Alliant Tracking number also known as the 'Request ID'. The Alliant Tracking number is a 12 digit number that starts with a '7' and is assigned to each CMO request when the request is submitted via the web portal. Follow these instructions to find a specific PA using the Alliant tracking number:
 - Enter the Alliant Tracking number in the 'Request ID' box
 - Leave the 'Select CMO' indicator as 'All' CMOs.
 - The provider ID is populated by the system in the 'Provider ID' box. This provider ID
 must match the provider ID associated with the PA or the search will not work.
 - Do not enter any other data.
 - Click Search. The CMO PA displays below the search fields.
- 8. When the Alliant tracking number is not known, it is possible to search using the following

search parameters: **Parameter** Description CMO PA ID The CMO authorization ID assigned by the CMO. **PA Status** The overall PA status. For PAs with procedures, the PA status is derived from the line level decisions but is not always the same. 'Select' CMO Search for CMO PAs for ALL CMOs; or narrow the search to a specific CMO (Amerigroup, Peach State, or WellCare). Request From and To Dates Request Date is the date that the PA was entered into the PA system. Search by these date parameters to find PAs entered within a specified time Member Medicaid ID The Member's Medicaid ID number. This is the member's Medicaid ID and not the CMO member ID. Member Name The Medicaid recipient's first name and last name.

Table 3

9. To find CMO PAs requested during a specific period of time: Select 'All' CMOs or select the specific CMO from the 'Select CMO' drop list. Next, enter the Request 'From' Date and the Request 'To' Date. These dates relate to the dates that the PA was submitted via the portal. To further limit the search, select a 'PA Status': Pending, Approved or Denied. Click Search.

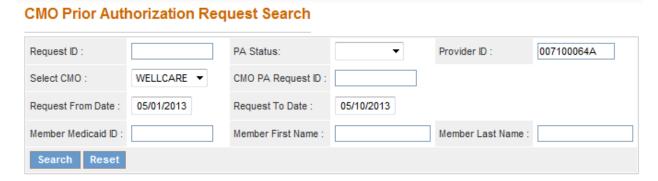


Figure 100

10. To find a PA for a specific member and CMO: Enter the member's Medicaid ID (or first and last name); and select the CMO name from 'Select CMO' drop list. To further limit the search so it does not return numerous PAs, enter a Request 'From' Date. Click Search.

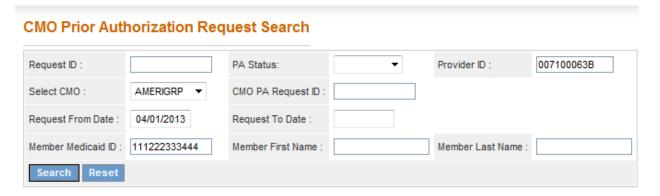


Figure 101

Search Results

When a search is successful, the result or results display below the search fields. If searching by the Alliant Tracking number (Request ID) or CMO PA Request ID, only one result will display.

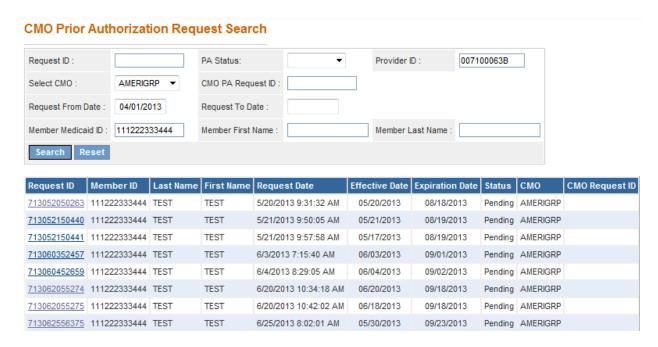


Figure 102

The search results also display the status of the PA (Pending, Approved, Denied); and the CMO Request ID (authorization number) if this information has been received from the CMOs. Cases that are 'Pending' (not processed by the CMO) will not have a CMO Request ID.

 To view details for one of the cases listed in the search results, click a Request ID (noted in blue font).



Figure 103

2. When a request ID is selected, the PA Review Request page opens.

4.2 Review the Request

The *Review Request* page provides an overview of the request information and provides the decision information. The information displayed always includes: Member ID, Provider ID, PA decision status, and diagnosis code(s). Other information displays depending on PA type and may include: PA error descriptions, clinical data, procedure code(s) and procedure decision(s). In general, when the CMO renders a decision, the CMO authorization number or denied number displays in the CMO PA Request ID under **Request Information** as shown highlighted below.

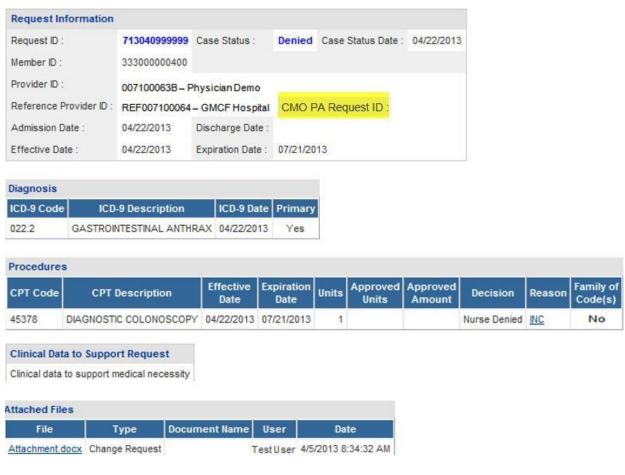


Figure 104

Note: For **Durable Medical Equipment PAs**, the CMOs may authorize individual procedure lines separately. Each line item may have a different decision and a different CMO PA ID. The next figure is a 'mock up' of how this might look.

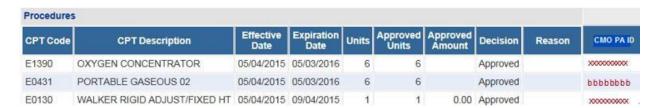


Figure 105

View Attachments

Documents attached to the PA display in the *Attached Files* table. To view an attachment, click the file name.



View Request Information Details

1. To view request information details, click the **Request ID** in the **Request Information** section.



Figure 106

- 2. When the 'Request ID' is selected, a page opens that displays all the information entered on the request when first submitted.
- 3. Click Back to return to the Review Request page.

View Denial Reason/Rationale for PA without Procedure Codes

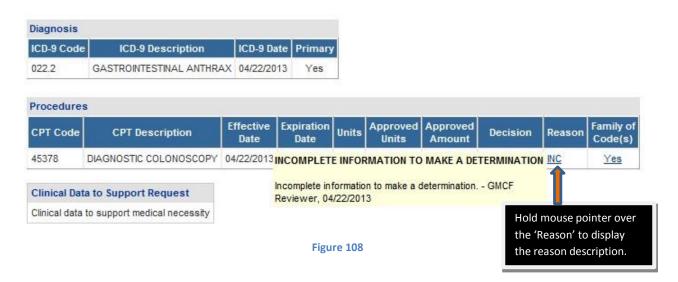
For cases without procedure codes (such as an inpatient hospital admission), decision information displays under **Request Information**.



Figure 107

View Denial Reason/Rationale for PAs with Procedure Codes

To view denial reason/rationale for PAs with procedure codes, hold the mouse pointer over the denial reason code at the end of a procedure line to display the specific denial code description and denial rationale for that procedure line.



5.0 Updates to CMO PAs

Providers may update CMO PAs via the web portal, except for Newborn Delivery notifications. Updates are allowed according to the following rules:

- Attach documentation directly to the PA: Restricted to web portal pending PAs or CMO initiated pending PAs; and Pregnancy Notifications of any status.
- Submit a Change Request and attach documents to the Change Request: Restricted
 to web portal pending PAs, or web portal approved inpatient hospital PAs with no
 discharge date in order to submit concurrent review information.
- **Submit a Reconsideration Request**: Restricted to web portal denied PAs and according to each CMO timeline for reconsiderations. Amerigroup = 2 business days from denial date; Wellcare = 5 business days; and Peach state = 5 business days.

5.1 Attach Documents to the PA

Follow this process to attach a file:

- 1. Open the *Provider Workspace*.
- In the CMO Authorization Requests section of the workspace, click on Search or Submit Clinical Notes/Attach Documentation to open PA request search.

CMO Authorization Requests

<u>Search or Submit Clinical notes / Attach Documentation for CMO PA Requests</u> - Use this link to search or attach documentation to CMO prior authorization requests. <u>More...</u>

Submit Concurrent Review Information for CMO PAs (Change Requests) - Use this link to request a change to existing authorization requests. More..

Submit Reconsideration Requests for CMO PAs - Use this link to request a reconsideration to a denied case. More...

Figure 109

3. Find the PA to which an attachment is to be made. Enter the 'Alliant Tracking Number' and click Search.

CMO Prior Authorization Request Search Request ID: 713062756687 PA Status: Provider ID 007100064A Select CMO -ALL-CMO PA Request ID Request From Date : Request To Date Member Medicaid ID Member First Name Member Last Name Request ID | Member ID | Last Name | First Name | Request Date Effective Date | Expiration Date Status CMO CMO Request ID 756687 111222333444 TEST 6/27/2013 10:43:09 AM 06/27/2013 10/01/2013 Pending AMERIGRP Figure 110

4. Click on the Request ID to open the Review Request page.



5. Click the Attach File button.

6. Go to the **Create an Attachment** section of the next page. The attachment panel will be available if the PA meets the criteria for attachments.



- 7. In the attachment panel, click **Browse**.
- 8. For some DME PAs, there may be 'document type' checkboxes. Click the appropriate checkbox or boxes, related to the documents to be attached, before selecting **Browse**.

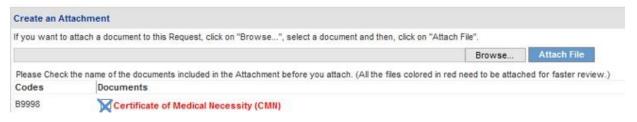


Figure 113

- 9. Browse opens the file directory. Find the file to be attached.
- 10. Then, select the file by double clicking the file; or highlight the file and click Open.

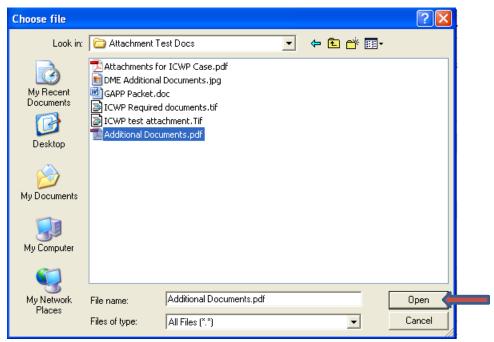
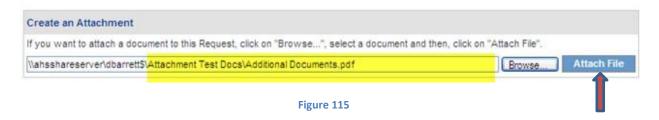


Figure 114

11. Once the file is selected, the file displays in the attachment panel.



12. Click **Attach File**. If the file is uploaded, the 'File uploaded successfully' message displays, and a link to the attachment displays in the **Attached Files** table.

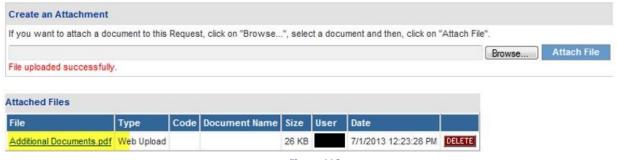


Figure 116

- 13. If necessary, follow the same process to attach another file.
- 14. To return to the main *Review Request* page, click the **Back** link at the bottom of the page.

5.2 Submit a Change Request

Change requests are submitted for an approved Inpatient Hospital PA with no discharge date in order to provide concurrent review information. Documents can be attached to the change request.

To submit a change request, follow this process:

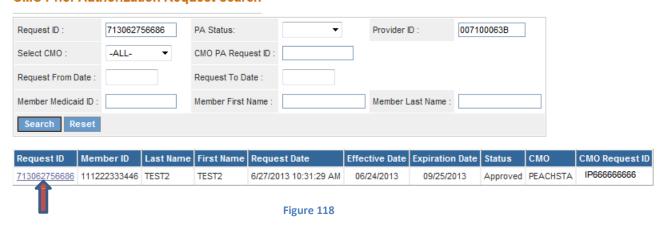
- 1. Open the Provider Workspace.
- 2. Go to the CMO Authorization Requests section of the workspace.
- 3. Click Submit Concurrent Review Information for CMO PAs (Change Requests).



Figure 117

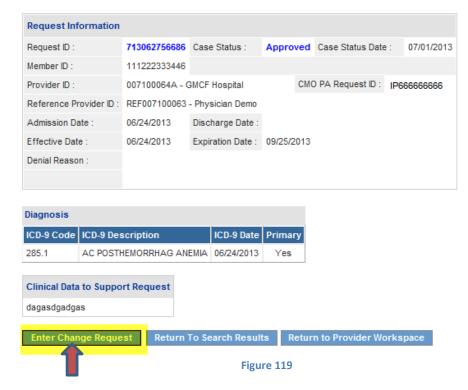
4. Search for the PA that needs to be updated by entering the 'Alliant Tracking Number' and clicking Search.

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5. Click on the **Request ID** to open the *Review Request* page.

6. If the PA meets the criteria for a change request, the **Enter Change Request** button is available.



7. Click Enter Change Request to open the change request form.

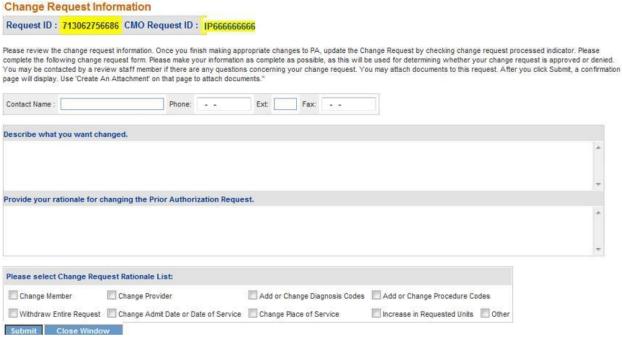


Figure 120

- 8. Enter the contact person's name, phone and fax number.
- 9. In the first textbox, describe the reason that the change request is being submitted (to submit concurrent review information, or additional clinical).
- 10. In the second textbox, provide justification for the requested change; or indicate 'see attached' when attaching documents to the change request.
- 11. The checkboxes at the bottom of the page are optional.
- 12. Click **Submit** to submit the request.
- 13. If the submission is successful, a page displays confirming that the change request has been entered successfully.
- 14. Additional supporting documentation or concurrent review information files may be attached to the change request at this point. Follow the same attach file process as previously described.

5.3 Submit a Request for Reconsideration

A request for reconsideration may be submitted via the portal if the PA is denied and less than a certain number of business days (as prescribed by each CMO) has elapsed since the denial. The process used to submit a reconsideration is the same as submitting a change request. Documents can be attached to the reconsideration request.

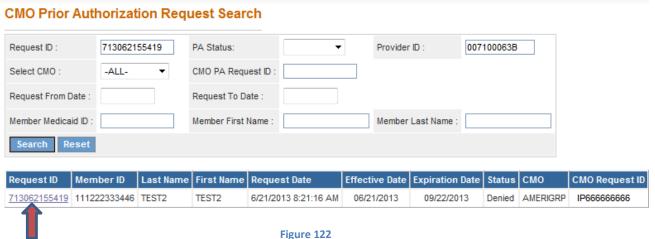
To submit a reconsideration request, follow this process:

- 1. Open the *Provider Workspace*.
- In the CMO Authorization Requests section of the workspace, click on Submit Reconsideration Requests for CMO PAs.



Figure 121

3. Search for the denied PA. Enter the 'Alliant Tracking Number' and click Search.



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- 4. Click on the **Request ID** to open the *Review Request* page.
- If the PA meets the criteria for a reconsideration request, the Enter Reconsideration Request button is available.

6. Click Enter Reconsideration Request to open the form.

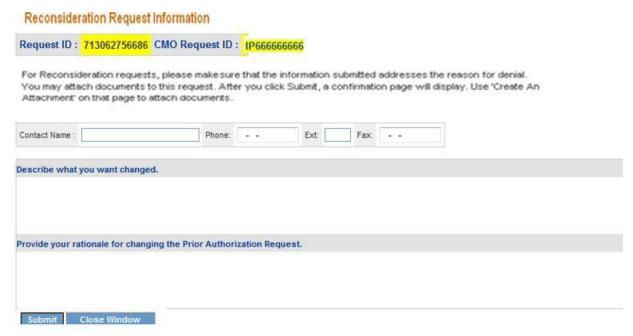


Figure 123

- 7. Enter the contact person's name, phone and fax number.
- 8. In the first textbox, explain that a reconsideration request for denied PA ID is being submitted.
- 9. In the second textbox, provide justification for the request for reconsideration; or enter 'See Attached' when attaching documents to the Reconsideration.
- 10. Click **Submit** to submit the request.
- 11. If the submission is successful, a page displays confirming that the reconsideration has been entered successfully.
- 12. Additional supporting documentation may be attached to the reconsideration at this point. Follow the same attach file process as previously described.