

Important Contact Information

Behavioral Health Crisis Line Members may call this number 24 hours a day for a Behavioral Health Crisis. For non-crisis related concerns, please call Member Services.	1-800-411-6485	Nurse Advice Line Members may call this number to speak to a nurse 24 hours a day, 7 days a week	1-800-919-8807
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Convenient Self Service

WellCare offers robust technology options to save you time. The fastest ways to get what you need are shown below.

[WellCare Secure Provider Portal](#)

	Portal	CHAT	(IVR) Interactive Voice Response
Authorization Requirements*	Fastest Result ✓	Available	Available
Authorization Status*	Fastest Result ✓	Available	Available
Authorizations Request*	Fastest Result ✓	Available	N/A
Benefit Information	Fastest Result ✓	Available	Available
Claims Status	Fastest Result ✓	Available	Available
Co-Payment	Fastest Result ✓	Available	Available
Eligibility Verification	Fastest Result ✓	Available	Available
Submit Appeals	Fastest Result ✓	Available	N/A
Submit Claim Disputes	Fastest Result ✓	Available	N/A
Submit Claims	Fastest Result ✓	Available	N/A
Submit Corrected Claims	Fastest Result ✓	Available	N/A

WellCare understands that having access to the right tools can help you and your staff streamline day-to-day administrative tasks.

The Provider Portal will help with those routine tasks.

Provider Portal Registration – [click here](#)

Provider Portal Training – [click here](#)

i *Note: Includes Pharmacy Medical Requests supplied by Physician. For Pharmacy Benefit-related questions, please see the below Pharmacy page.

Provider Services

Interactive Voice Response System Phone: 1-888-453-2534

TTY: 711

WellCare Phone Numbers

Care Management Referrals (non-MLTSS members) Phone: 1-866-635-7045 Fax: 1-866-287-3286 TTY: 711 Hours: M-F 8-7 p.m. Eastern	Community Connections Help Line	1-866-775-2192
	MCO Care Coordination (Special needs Members)	1-866-635-7045
	DSNP Provider Services	1-877-706-9509
	Risk Management Fraud, Waste & Abuse Hotline	1-866-685-8664

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Provider Resource Guide

Prior Authorization Contacts*

To check the status of a prior authorization (medical, behavioral, pharmacy, dental) or changes to a prior authorization, please call:

Provider Services at 1-888-453-2534 or visit provider.wellcare.com.

For information regarding the status of a prior authorization for LTC (PCA, Medical Day Care, PDN, or HCBS) Please call 1-855-642-6185.

**WellCare's process for prior authorization acknowledgement includes a response to the request and/or a request for additional information. There is no formal acknowledgement policy in place. However, providers may call Provider Services at 1-888-453-2534 to inquire on prior authorization requests not received within 15 days.*

Care Management Programs: 1-855-642-6185

MLTSS Care Management:

Nursing Facility Contacts

- For requesting authorization Joan Cosme, Manager, Program Coordination, Joan.Cosme@wellcare.com or Mariel Plasencia, Supervisor, Program Coordination, Mariel.Plasencia@wellcare.com
- For claims, eligibility, enrollment and hospice issues: Stacy Felder, Provider Network Specialist, 1-862-229-4292 or stacy.felder@wellcare.com
- For nursing facility providers to address questions regarding 835 files: #edianalyst@wellcare.com
- For a resident that is auto-assigned or self-selected the MCO and needs a NJ Choice Assessment performed: Teresa Howard, Manager, Prior Authorization & Referrals 1-973-848-7031, teresa.howard@wellcare.com
- For assistance with issues in a nursing facility in which a resident that elects hospice: Marion Lynn Smayda RNC, BSN, Manager, MLTSS Care Management, 1-609-620-7703 or marion.smayda@wellcare.com

Assisted Living Contact

- For claims, eligibility and enrollment issues: Stacy Felder, Provider Network Specialist, 1-862-229-4292 or stacy.felder@wellcare.com

Hospice Services including FIDE SNP

- For claims, eligibility and enrollment issues: Stacy Felder, Provider Network Specialist, 1-862-229-4292 or stacy.felder@wellcare.com

Participant Direction and Personal Preference Program (PPP): 1-855-642-6185

Home and Community Based Services Contacts

- Call 1-855-642-6185 to be connected to your MLTSS Care Manager
- Non-medical based issues: Damaris Camilo, Supervisor, Provider Relations, 1-973-274-2106 or damaris.camilo@wellcare.com

Specialty Care Nursing Facility Contact

- For claims, eligibility and enrollment issues: Stacy Felder, Provider Network Specialist, 1-862-229-4292 or stacy.felder@wellcare.com
- For a resident who is auto-assigned or self-selected the MCO and needs a NJ Choice Assessment performed: Teresa Howard, Manager, Prior Authorization & Referrals 1-973-848-7031 or teresa.howard@wellcare.com
- For a SNF that has a resident that elects hospice: Teresa Howard, Supervisor Outpatient Care, 1-973-848-7031 or teresa.howard@wellcare.com

Care Management:

- Care Coordination contact for mailing address and fax number to send Provider Correspondence on behalf of Member – to contact WellCare separate from Utilization appeal information: 1-866-635-7045

Maternity Contact

- For prenatal and perinatal services for women: 1-866-635-7045

FIDE SNP Care Management

- Care Coordination contact for mailing address and fax number to send Provider Correspondence on behalf of Member – to contact WellCare separate from Utilization appeal information: 1-866-635-7045
- FIDE SNP MLTSS contact: 1-855-642-6185

Behavioral Health Services including FIDE SNP

- For claims, eligibility and enrollment issues: Katelyn Mignone, Network Management Specialist, 1-201-259-5934 or katelyn.mignone@wellcare.com
- For participating providers and services as well as authorization process: Lisa Dolmatz, Director, Behavioral Health Services, 1-973-848-3024, lisa.dolmatz@wellcare.com
- For Office Based Addiction Treatment (OBAT) Services: Katelyn Mignone, Network Management Specialist, 1-201-259-5934 or katelyn.mignone@wellcare.com

Home and Community Based Services

- For Chore Services and other non-traditional MLTSS services: Damaris Camilo, Supervisor, Provider Relations, 1-973-274-2106 or damaris.camilo@wellcare.com

Hospital Billing Contact

- For hospital billing staff to address questions regarding claim denials: Oscar Morales, Senior Manager, Contracting & Network Development, 1-973-634-2640 or oscar.morales@wellcare.com

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Joining WellCare's Provider Network

To ask whether WellCare is accepting new providers or to check on an existing application:

- Call 1-973-274-2100, option 2
- Email NJPR@wellcare.com

To submit an application for enrollment in WellCare's provider network:

- Contact Provider Relations:
 1. Call 1-973-274-2100
 2. Visit www.wellcare.com/en/New-Jersey/Become-a-Provider for all counties and all provider types
 3. Send an email inquiry to NJPR@wellcare.com.
- Schedule a meeting
- Receive application
- Sign and return application including all up to date credentialing documents. All credentialing documents must not expire within the following **60 days** after submission.

To submit application for network consideration:

- For **Medical, Behavioral** and **HCBS** – Mail to **550 Broad St. 12th Floor Newark, NJ 07102**
- For **Dental** – Contact Liberty Dental at 1-888-352-7924 to be added to the WellCare panel
- For **Vision** – Contact Superior Vision at 1-866-819-4298 to be added to the WellCare panel
- For **Hearing** – Contact HearUSA at 1-800-333-3389 to be added to the WellCare panel

*Completing the online form or sending an email is an inquiry for consideration and not an official registration. WellCare will review the request, and a representative will follow up and provide assistance through the formal application process.

Application process can take up to 90 days.

WellCare Website

Visit www.wellcare.com/New-Jersey/Providers/Medicaid to:

- Search for providers by county (includes visibility into open/closed panels) by clicking on "Find a Provider"
- Review the [Provider Resource Guide](#)
- [Access Claims/Encounter Guides and other Job Aids](#)
- [Access the secure Provider Portal](#)

Secure Provider Portal

The Secure Provider Portal offers 24-hour access to the following:

- Submit a claim
- Check status of a claim
- Check member eligibility and co-payment information
- Run reports e.g., Member Panel
- Submit and Check Care Gaps (PCPs)
- Request an authorization
- Check status of a prior authorization
- Access online training
- Catch up on provider news

Log onto the web portal at <https://provider.wellcare.com/>

To register to use the secure provider portal, an account will need to be created. The following is needed to create a new account:

- Name of Person to Access Account
- Primary Group or Physician address
- Phone Number for the Group or Physician

Additionally, the following actions need to be taken

- Provider must assign an Administrator whether there is one or many users
- Within **24 hours** of registration, an email with a temporary password will be sent. Use this password (within **30 days**) to log into the portal and create a permanent password to complete the registration process.
- Once access portal, there are training videos and materials on using it.

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Claim Submission Information

Submission Inquiries: Provider Services 1-888-453-2534

For inquiries related to your electronic submissions to WellCare, please contact our EDI team at EDI-Master@wellcare.com

Electronic Funds Transfer & Electronic Remittance Advice:

Register online using the simplified, enhanced provider registration process:

PaySpan.com or call 1-877-331-7154. For more details on PaySpan, please refer to your [Provider Manual](#).

Clearinghouse Connectivity Setup & Connection Support:

WellCare has partnered with Change Healthcare as our preferred EDI Clearinghouse. You may connect directly to Change Healthcare or in some cases your existing clearinghouse, billing service, or trading partner may maintain existing reciprocal agreements with Change Healthcare. We encourage you to contact your claims vendor and determine if they have connectivity to Change Healthcare. If not, you may want to consider contacting Change Healthcare to establish free connectivity to WellCare for your EDI transactions.

Change Healthcare offers Submitter/client Connectivity Services at 1-877-411-7271. All Clearinghouses, Practice Management Vendors or Billing Services may call Change Healthcare, at 1-800-527-8133 for connectivity services.

Change Healthcare CPIDs: If your billing system is connected to Change Healthcare and requires a 4-digit Change Healthcare payer ID, please use the following according to the file type (Fee-For-Service or Encounters):

Claim Type	Fee for Service (CH – Chargeable) Submissions	Encounter (RP – reporting only) Submissions
Professional	1844	3211
Institutional	8551	4949

WELLCARE PAYER IDS – If your clearinghouse or billing system is not connected to Change Healthcare and requires a five-digit Payer ID, please use the following according to the file type (Fee-For-Service or Encounters):

- Fee For Service (FFS) is defined in the Transaction Type Code BHT06 as CH, which means Chargeable, expecting adjudication.
- Encounters (ENC) is defined in the Transaction Type Code BHT06 as RP, which means Reportable only, NOT expecting adjudication.

Claim Type	Fee for Service (CH-Chargeable) Submissions	Encounter (RP-Reporting only) Submissions
Professional or Institutional	14163	59354

Free Direct Data Entry (DDE) and Small Batch File Solutions (use same WellCare Payer IDs defined above):

AdminisTEP offers a web browser for single submission direct data entry (DDE) or batch upload for professional and institutional submissions, claim status and reporting and inquiry functions at no cost to you. To sign up, go to <http://www.administep.com/Signup.aspx> or call 1-888-751-3271.

Connect Center™ for physicians offers a web browser for direct data entry (DDE) or batch upload capability at no cost to you. To sign up, go to <https://physician.connectcenter.changehealthcare.com>. For registry questions, submitter/clients may contact Payer Connectivity Services at 1-877-411-7271.

Direct questions regarding functionality of ConnectCenter to Change HealthCare at 1-800-527-8133, option 2.

- Providers will be required to enter a credit card upon initial enrollment to verify them as a valid submitter.
- Only WellCare submissions are free of charge. Please ensure you use vendor code 212750 when you register.

WellCare follows the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services' (CMS) guidelines for paper claim submissions. Since Oct. 28, 2010, WellCare accepts only the original "red claim" form for claim and encounter submissions. WellCare does not accept handwritten, faxed or replicated claim forms. To download claim forms and guidelines and to check the status of an initial claim submission and/or adjusted and appealed claims, visit

www.wellcare.com/New-Jersey/Providers/Medicaid/Claims

Paper claims (new and corrected) are verified by the provider portal.

Mail paper claim submissions to:

WellCare Health Plans
Claims Department
P.O. Box 31224
Tampa, FL 33631-3224

Claim Payment Disputes

The claim payment dispute process is designed to address claim denials for issues related to untimely filing, unlisted procedure codes and noncovered codes, etc. Claim payment disputes must be submitted in writing to WellCare within **90 days** of the date on the EOP.

Submit all claims payment disputes with supporting documentation at <https://provider.wellcare.com/>

Mail all claim payment disputes with supporting documentation to:

WellCare Health Plans
Attn: Claim Payment Disputes
P.O. Box 31370
Tampa, FL 33631-3370

Note: Any appeals related to a claim denial for lack of prior authorization, services exceeding the authorization, insufficient supporting documentation or late notification must be sent to the Appeals (Medical) address in the section below. Examples include Explanation of Payment Codes DN001, DN004, DN0038, DN039, VSTEX, DMNNE, HRM16, and KYREC, however, this is not an all-encompassing list of Appeals codes. Anything else related to authorization, or medical necessity that is in question should be sent to the Appeals PO Box with all substantiating information like a summary of the appeal, relevant medical records and member specific information.

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Claim Payment Policy Disputes

The Claims Payment Policy Department has created a new mailbox for provider issues related strictly to payment policy issues. Disputes for payment policy related issues must be submitted to WellCare in writing within **90 days** of the date of denial on the EOP. Please provide all relevant documentation, which may include medical records, in order to facilitate the review. Submit all Claims Payment Policy Disputes related to Explanation of Payment Codes beginning with IH###, CE###, CV### (Medical records required) or PD### at <https://provider.wellcare.com/>

Mail all disputes related to Explanation of Payment Codes beginning with IH###, CE###, CV### (Medical records required) or PD### to:	WellCare Health Plans Payment Policy Disputes Department P.O. Box 31426 Tampa, FL 33631-3426
Mail all medical records and initial reviews and appeals related to Explanation of Payment Codes beginning with CPI##:	By Mail (U.S. Postal Service) Phone: 1-844-458-6739 Fax: 1-267-687-0994 Optum P.O. Box 52846 Philadelphia, PA 19115
	By Delivery Services (FedEx, UPS) Optum 458 Pike Road Huntingdon Valley, PA 19006
	By Secure Internet Upload Refer to Optum's Medical Record Request letter for further instructions.
Mail all disputes related to Explanation of Payment Codes LT###, RVL#:	WellCare Health Plans CCR P.O. Box 31394 Tampa, FL 33631-3394
Mail all disputes related to Explanation of Payment Codes RVPI#.	PICRA P.O. Box 31416 Tampa, FL 33631-3416

Recovery/Cost Containment Unit (CCU)

Refund(s) in response to a WellCare overpayment notification should include a copy of the overpayment notification as well as a copy of attachment(s) and sent to:	WellCare – Comprehensive Health Management Attn: Recovery/Cost Containment Unit (CCU) PO Box 947945 Atlanta, GA 30394-7945
If you do not agree with this proposed WellCare overpayment notification related to adjustments RVXX (Except RV059 that should refer to the Claim Payment Disputes section above), you may request an Administrative Review by submitting your request in writing within 45 days of the date of this letter. Your request should detail why you disagree with these findings and must include any supporting evidence/documentation you believe is pertinent to your position.	
Mail or fax your Administrative Review request to:	WellCare Health Plans Fax: 1-813-283-3284 Attn: CCU Recovery P.O. Box 31658 Tampa, FL 33631-3658
Additional documentation received after your initial Administrative Review request will not be considered. A Final Determination will be rendered within 30 days of the date of WellCare's receipt of your request. If you do not object or render payment within such time period, we will take action to recover the above listed amount as allowed by law, or applicable, the contract between you and WellCare.	
Administrative Reviews related to Explanation of Payment Codes and Comments beginning with DN227, DN228, or RV213 must be submitted in writing and include at a minimum: a summary of the review request, the member's name, member's identification number, date of service(s), reason(s) why the denial should be reversed and copies of related documentation and all applicable medical records related to both stays to support appropriateness of the services rendered.	
Mail or fax your dispute to:	COTIVITI HEALTHCARE Fax: 1-203-202-6607 Attn: WellCare Clinical Chart Validation Hillcrest III Building 731 Arbor Way, Suite 150 Blue Bell, PA 19422C
Provider Identified Refund(s) without receiving overpayment notification should include the reason for overpayment as well as any details that assist in identifying the member and WellCare Claim ID.	
Please submit to:	WellCare – Comprehensive Health Management Attn: Recovery/Cost Containment Unit (CCU) PO Box 947945 Atlanta, GA 30394-7945
Note: For single claim checks, please use the Refund Check Informational Sheet to help Recovery post accurately and timely. For checks in excess of 25 claims, please complete the Refund Referral Grid and email all supporting documentation, including the grid, to OverpaymentRefunds@wellcare.com to assist with expedited posting. Please note that only check referrals will be accepted by this email box; anything other than check referrals will not be responded to and will be closed.	

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Appeals (Medical)

Providers may file an appeal on behalf of the member with the member's written consent. Providers may also seek an appeal through the Appeals department within **90 calendar days** of a claims denial for lack of prior authorization, services exceeding the authorization, insufficient supporting documentation or late notification. Examples include Explanation of Payment Codes DN001, DN004, DN0038, DN039, VSTEX, DMNNE, HRM16, and KYREC. However, this is not an all-encompassing list of Appeals codes. Anything else related to authorization, or medical necessity that is in question should be sent to the Appeals P.O. Box with all substantiating information like a summary of the appeal, relevant medical records and member specific information.

Mail or fax medical appeals with supporting documentation to:

WellCare Health Plans Fax: 1-866-201-0657
Attn: Appeals Department
P.O. Box 31368
Tampa, FL 33631-3368

WellCare does not send an acknowledgement letter upon receipt of a provider appeal. However, a written resolution letter is sent to the provider.

Grievances

Member grievances may be filed verbally by contacting Customer Service or submitted via fax or mail. Providers may also file a grievance on behalf of the member with the member's written consent.

Mail or fax member grievances to:

WellCare Health Plans Fax: 1-866-388-1769
Attn: Grievance Department
P.O. Box 31384
Tampa, FL 33631-3384

WellCare Partners

eviCore

[eviCore](#) is our in-network vendor for the following programs and clinical criteria can be accessed through the corresponding program links: [Lab Management](#), [Sleep, Diagnostics](#). Contact eviCore for all **authorization-related** submissions for the services listed above rendered in outpatient places of service (including the home setting). Please click on the hyperlinks above for a listing of the specific services and related criteria included in the eviCore programs.

Web submissions are faster and if the procedure requested meets clinical criteria, the Web provides an immediate approval that can be printed for easy reference. Member eligibility and authorization requests may be submitted via the [eviCore Provider Web Portal](#). A searchable [Authorization Lookup and Eligibility Tool](#) is also available online and criteria can be accessed through the program links above.

Urgent Authorizations and Provider Services: 1-888-333-8641

NIA aka National Imaging Associates

[NIA](#) (National Imaging Associates) is our in-network vendor for the following programs and clinical criteria can be accessed through the corresponding program links: [Advanced Radiology](#), [Advanced Cardiology](#), [Pain Management](#), [Physical, Occupational and Speech Therapy](#)

Contact NIA for all **authorization-related** submissions for the services listed above rendered in outpatient places of service (including the home setting*). Please click on the hyperlinks above for a listing of the specific services and related criteria included in the NIA program. Web submissions are faster and if the procedure requested meets clinical criteria, the web provides and immediate approval that can be printed for easy reference. Member eligibility and authorization requests may be submitted via the [NIA Provider Web Portal](#). A searchable [Authorization Lookup tool](#) is also available online and criteria can be accessed through the program links above.

Urgent Authorization and Provider Services: 1-866-249-1585

HealthHelp®

[HealthHelp](#) is our in-network vendor for the following programs and provider resources. The vendor can be accessed through the corresponding program links: [Radiation Therapy and Medical Oncology](#).

Contact HealthHelp for all **authorization-related** submissions for the services listed above rendered in all outpatient places of service. Please click on the links above for a listing of the specific services and related resources included in the HealthHelp programs.

Member eligibility and authorization request materials may be accessed via the [HealthHelp Portal](#). A searchable [Authorization Lookup](#) also available online to check the status of your authorization request and criteria can be accessed through the program links above.

Urgent Authorizations and Provider Services: 1-888-210-3736

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Contracted Networks

Vision

Superior Vision

(Includes FIDE SNP)

Provider Services: 1-866-819-4298

Hearing

Hear USA

(Includes FIDE SNP)

Phone: 1-800-333-3389

Transportation *

Phone: 1-888-453-2534

*Please confirm benefit coverage and limitations at member's plan level.

Dental Services

Liberty Dental Plan:

Dental Provider Services (Liberty Dental Plan): 1-888-352-7924 (Both FIDE SNP/Medicaid)

Fax: 1-800-268-0154

Email (Provider Relations Inquiry): prinquiries@libertydentalplan.com

Website Address and Link to Liberty Provider Manual:

<https://www.libertydentalplan.com/Providers/Provider-Resource-Library.aspx>

<https://www.libertydentalplan.com/New-Jersey/LIBERTY-Dental-Plan-of-New-Jersey.aspx>

Address:

Liberty Dental Plan
PO Box 26110
Santa Ana, CA 92799-6110

Provider Portal (i-Transact)

www.libertydentalplan.com

For claims submission address:

Liberty Dental Plan
Attn: Claims Department
PO Box 401086
Las Vegas, NV 89140

NJ FamilyCare Dental Services Clinical Criteria Policy/Grid:

The NJFC program has established a clinical criteria policy for dental services. Please see the link below for a full description of the clinical criteria policy/guidelines and grid.

<https://www.libertydentalplan.com/Providers/Provider-Resource-Library.aspx>

Treatment for dental emergencies (to include oral-facial trauma)

- Claims received for reimbursement are date stamped on arrival.
- Matched with authorizations, logged into system.

Summary of procedures regarding approval and/or claims payment for out of state and out of network providers

In order for a claim to be accepted and adjudicated, the claim must be received by Liberty within **90 days** after the date of service for contracted providers and within **180 days** after the date of service for non-contracted providers. In order for a claim to be considered a "complete claim," it must contain, at a minimum, all the attachments and supplemental information or documentation needed to provide "reasonably relevant information" and "information necessary to determine payer liability" and the following information:

- Provider name and license number
- Provider facility address
- Member name, date of birth, and social security number
- Date(s) of service
- ADA/CDT 9 codes
- Billed charges for each services

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- Provider tax ID number or social security number

The “complete claim” may be submitted electronically, via paper, or other agreed upon method. The attachments or supplemental information/documentation needed varies by provider type and service but must provide the minimum information to properly adjudicate the claim and determine payer liability. Although emergency services or out-of-area urgently needed services do not require authorization in order to be considered a “complete claim,” the claim must include documentation, including X-rays, that is immediately identifiable as emergent or out-of-area urgent.

Pharmacy Services

Pharmacy Services: 1-888-453-2534
DSNP Pharmacy/DME: 1-877-706-9509

Including after-hours and weekends (CVS/Caremark™)

Rx BIN	Rx PCN	Rx GRP
004336	MCAIDADV	RX8895

AcariaHealth™

AcariaHealth is a national comprehensive specialty pharmacy focused on improving care and outcomes for patients living with complex and chronic conditions. AcariaHealth is comprised of dedicated healthcare professionals who work closely with physician’s offices, including support with referral and prior authorization processes. This collaboration allows our patients to receive the medicine they need as fast as possible.

Representatives are available from Monday–Thursday, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. ET.

*AcariaHealth™ Pharmacy #26, Inc.
8715 Henderson Rd., Tampa, FL 33634
Phone: 1-866-458-9246 (TTY 1-855-516-5636)
Fax: 1-866-458-9245

Website: www.acariahealth.com

*Effective on or about July 2021

Mail Service Pharmacy:

[CVS/Caremark® Mail Service](#) 1-866-808-7471
TTY: 1-866-236-1069
Fax: 1-866-892-8194

Medication Appeals: Fax: 1-888-865-6531

Mail [medication appeals forms](#) with supporting documentation to:

WellCare Health Plans
Attn: Pharmacy Appeals Department
P.O. Box 31398
Tampa, FL 33631-3398

Medication appeals may also be initiated verbally by contacting Provider Services. Please note that all appeals filed verbally also require a signed, written appeal.

PDL Inclusions:

To request consideration for inclusion of a drug to WellCare of New Jersey’s PDL, providers may submit medical justification to WellCare in writing to:

WellCare Health Plans
Clinical Pharmacy Department
Director of Formulary Services
Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee
P.O. Box 31577
Tampa, FL 33631-3577

Coverage Determination Requests: Fax: 1-888-340-9512

Submit a [Coverage Determination Request Form](#) for:

- Drugs not listed on the Preferred Drug List (PDL)
- Drugs listed on the PDL with a prior authorization (PA)
- Duplication of therapy
- Prescriptions that exceed the FDA daily or monthly quantity limits (QL)
- Most self-injectable and infusion drugs (including chemotherapy) administered in a physician’s office
- Brand-name drugs when an equivalent generic exists
- Drugs that have a step edit (ST) and the first-line therapy is inappropriate
- Drugs that have an age limit (AL)
- Multi-ingredient compounds exceeding \$300 cost (PA)

HealthHelp® manages Medical Oncology.

Please see below for HealthHelp Contact Information.

www.wellcare.com/New-Jersey/Providers/Medicaid/Pharmacy

- [Pharmacy Services overview](#)
- [WellCare of New Jersey Preferred Drug List](#)
- [Authorization Lookup Tool](#)

ⓘ *Note: Includes Pharmacy Medical Requests supplied by Physician.

- [Participating Pharmacies](#)
- [Pharmacy Services forms](#)

For Home Infusion/Enteral services:

Once Authorization Approval is obtained through WellCare, if required, please contact one of our providers below to initiate Services:

Coram®:

Phone: 1-800-423-1411 or Fax: 1-866-462-6726

Option Care Health™ aka Option Care and BioScrip Infusion Services®:

Phone: 1-833-466-0358

Home Care Services, Inc. (KabaFusion):

Phone: 1-609-567-2241 or Fax: 1-609-567-0503

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WELLCARE'S PRIOR AUTHORIZATION (PA) LIST:

For full list of Prior Authorizations requirements access www.wellcare.com/en/New-Jersey/Providers/Authorization-Lookup

Prior Authorization (PA) Requirements

This WellCare Prior Authorization list supersedes any lists that have been distributed to our providers. Please ensure that older lists are replaced with this updated version. Authorization changes are denoted by a **P** symbol for easy identification. Requirements that have been edited for clarification only are denoted with a **D** symbol.

WellCare supports the concept of the PCP as the "medical home" for its members. PCPs may refer members to network specialists when services will be rendered at an office, clinic or free-standing facility. **A written or faxed script to the specialist is required.** The reason for the referral and the name of the specialist must be documented in the medical record. **The specialist must document receipt of the request for a consultation and the reason for the referral in the medical record. No communication with the plan is necessary.** Specialists may not refer members directly to other specialists.

To check the status of a prior authorization (medical, behavioral, pharmacy, dental) or changes to a prior authorization, please call:

Provider Services at 1-888-453-2534 or visit provider.wellcare.com

For information regarding the status of a prior authorization for LTC (PCA, Medical Day Care, PDN, or HCBS), please call 1-855-642-6185.

Urgent Authorization Requests and Admission Notifications – Call 1-888-453-2534 for Medical, Behavioral, SUD, PCS, MLTSS, Pharmacy

- **Web submissions** are faster, and if the procedure requested meets the clinical criteria, the Web provides an approval that can be printed for easy reference
- Notify the plan of unplanned inpatient hospital admissions within **24 hours** of admission (except normal maternity delivery admissions). Telephone authorizations must be followed by a fax submission of clinical information to 1-855-776-9464 – by the next business day.
- Outpatient authorizations for urgent and time sensitive services may be requested by phone when warranted by the member's condition. Please include CPT and ICD-10 codes with your authorization request. Standard authorization requests may be submitted **online** or via fax using the numbers listed below if you are unable to access the portal with your secure login at <https://provider.wellcare.com>.
- Obtaining authorization does not guarantee payment, but rather only confirms whether a service meets WellCare's determination criteria at the time of the request. WellCare retains the right to review benefit limitations and exclusions, beneficiary eligibility on the date of service, the medical necessity of services, and correct coding and billing practices.

Behavioral Health Services

[WellCare Secure Provider Portal](#)

For Urgent and Inpatient Hospitalization Authorizations and Provider Services Phone: 1-888-453-2534

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To fax a request, please access our forms [here](#)

Web-based information: www.wellcare.com/New-Jersey/Providers/Medicaid/Behavioral-Health

- Emergency behavioral services do not require prior authorization. **In order to obtain authorization, notification of an Inpatient admission is required on the next business day following admission.**
- Inpatient concurrent review is generally done by telephone, but a fax option is available and the forms and fax numbers can be found [here](#). Psychological testing is done telephonically or via fax. All other levels of care requiring authorization including outpatient services can be submitted online.
- For Behavioral Health Crisis call 1-888-453-2534
- For more information on Authorization Requirements click [here](#) and select the "Prior Authorization Grid" PDF under **Helpful Documents**
- Please submit your request for more sessions at least two weeks prior to the completion of the current authorized session(s). Behavioral Health Services are performed by WellCare network providers.

PROCEDURES and SERVICES	Authorization Required	Comments
Emergency Behavioral Health Services	No	
Non-contracted (nonparticipating) Provider Services	Yes	All services from nonparticipating providers require authorization.
Behavioral Services	See Comments	The list of authorizations on the Quick Reference Guide is not the complete list. Please refer to the Prior Authorization Grid under Helpful Documents for a complete list of authorization requirements.

Emergency Services

PROCEDURES and SERVICES	Authorization Required	Comments
Emergency Behavioral Health Services	No	
Emergent Care Services	No	
Emergency Transportation Services	No	
Urgent Care Services	No	

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Inpatient Services & Discharge Planning

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For non-participating providers please use our form [here](#)

Discharge planning requests for Home Health and DME should be submitted separately using one of the methods outlined above.

PROCEDURES and SERVICES	Authorization Required	Comments
Elective Inpatient Procedures	Yes	Clinical updates required for continued length of stay.
Inpatient Admissions	Yes	Clinical updates required for continued length of stay. <i>*Excludes Normal Newborn Deliveries</i>
Long Term Acute Care Hospital (LTACH) Admissions	Yes	Clinical updates required for continued length of stay.
NICU/Sick Baby Admissions	Yes	Notification to the plan is required within 24 hours following admission. Contact ProgenyHealth at fax 1-844-395-0842 to submit clinical updates for initial and continued length of stay.
Normal Newborn Deliveries	No	
Observations (22)*	See Comments	<p>① Elective procedures that convert to an Observation stay are subject to Outpatient authorization requirements. Authorization Lookup Tool</p> <p>Services performed during an urgent or emergent Observation stay, such as Advanced Radiology or Cardiology, do not require authorization.</p> <p>Clinical updates required for continued length of stay.</p>
Rehabilitation Facility Admissions	Yes	Clinical updates required for continued length of stay.
Skilled Nursing Facility Admissions	Yes	Clinical updates required for continued length of stay.

Outpatient Services & Discharge Planning

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MLTSS members:

All Outpatient services Fax: 1-855-573-2346

Non MLTSS members:

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For non-participating providers please use our form [here](#)

Pharmacy Medical Requests Fax: 1-888-481-7703

Discharge planning requests for Home Health and DME should be submitted separately using one of the methods outlined above.

PROCEDURES and SERVICES	Authorization Required	Comments
Select Outpatient Procedures	Yes – See Comments	Please refer to the Authorization Lookup Tool for prior authorization requirements
Advanced Radiology Services: CT, CTA, MRA, MRI, Nuclear Cardiology, Nuclear Medicine, PET and SPECT Scans	Yes – See Comments	<p>Contact National Imaging Associates for authorization: National Imaging Associates Provider Web Portal Phone: 1-866-249-1585 Advanced Radiology Program Criteria Radiology Request Forms</p>

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PROCEDURES and SERVICES	Authorization Required	Comments
Cardiology Services: Cardiac Imaging, Cardiac Catheterization, Diagnostic Cardiac Procedures and Echo Stress Tests	Yes – See Comments	Contact National Imaging Associates for authorization: National Imaging Associates Provider Web Portal Phone: 1-866-249-1585 Cardiology Program Criteria Cardiology Worksheets
Dialysis and End Stage Renal Disease Services	No	
Durable Medical Equipment purchases and rentals	Yes – See Comments	All DME rentals require authorization. DME purchase items reimbursed at OR below \$500 per line item do NOT require authorization. DME contact: Darlene Yard, Durable Medical Equipment Coordinator, 1-973-848-3076 or darlene.yard@wellcare.com *For Home Infusion/Enteral Services please refer to the Pharmacy Section above for the preferred provider if the authorization is required.
Home and Community Based Services – Benefit for MLTSS Members Only	Yes	
Hospice Care Services	No	
Investigational & Experimental Procedures and Treatment	Yes – See Comments	Refer to Clinical Coverage Guidelines
Laboratory Management (Certain Molecular and Genetic Tests)	Yes – See Comments	Contact eviCore for authorization: eviCore Provider Web Portal Phone Number: 1-888-333-8641 WellCare Lab Management Criteria Molecular and Genetic Testing Quick Reference Guide
Medical Oncology Services	Yes – See Comments	Contact National Imaging Associates for authorization: National Imaging Associates Provider Web Portal Phone: 1-866-249-1585 Medical Oncology Program Services
Non-contracted (nonparticipating) Provider Services	Yes	All services from nonparticipating providers require authorization.
Orthotics and Prosthetics	Yes – See Comments	Purchase items reimbursed at OR below \$500 per line item do NOT require authorization.
Pain Management Treatment	Yes – See Comments	Contact National Imaging Associates for authorization: National Imaging Associates Provider Web Portal Phone: 1-866-249-1585 Pain Management Program Criteria Musculoskeletal Management Request Forms
Physical and Occupational Therapy (including home-based therapy)	Yes – See Comments	Contact National Imaging Associates for authorization: National Imaging Associates Provider Web Portal Phone: 1-866-249-1585 Physical and Occupational Therapy Criteria PT/OT Worksheets
Radiation Therapy Management	Yes – See Comments	Contact National Imaging Associates for authorization: National Imaging Associates Provider Web Portal Phone: 1-866-249-1585 Radiation Therapy Management Program Criteria Radiation Therapy Worksheets
Radiation Therapy Management	Yes – See Comments	Contact HealthHelp for authorization: HealthHelp Portal Phone Number: 1-888-210-3736 Radiation Therapy Management Program Resources

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PROCEDURES and SERVICES	Authorization Required	Comments
Sleep Diagnostics (11, 12, 22 & 49)*	Yes – See Comments	Contact eviCore for authorization: eviCore Provider Web Portal Phone Number: 1-888-333-8641 Sleep Diagnostics Program Criteria Sleep Management Worksheets
Speech Therapy	Yes	Contact National Imaging Associates for authorization: National Imaging Associates Provider Web Portal Phone: 1-866-249-1585
Transportation (Nonmedical) – Benefit for MLTSS Members Only	Yes	

Personal Care Services

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Personal Care Service Requests Fax 1-855-573-2346

PROCEDURES and SERVICES	Authorization Required	Comments
Personal Care Assistants	Yes	
Medical Day Care	Yes	

Transplant Services

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PROCEDURES and SERVICES	Authorization Required	Comments
Transplant Services	Yes	Please submit clinical records for prior authorization for all transplant phases

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Coordination of Benefits (COB) Frequently Asked Questions

1. Q: What is the contact number and /or email address for questions related to COB?
A: Providers can call 1-888-453-2534 or visit www.wellcare.com/New-Jersey/Contact-Us
2. Q: If a member is dually eligible or has a TPL policy how often does the provider have to submit a denial from Medicare and/or the TPL insurer?
A: The Provider will have to submit a denial from Medicare and/or the TPL, annually as long as the Member is covered under the plan or until the coverage is terminated.
3. Q: Does the Provider submit the denial from the Medicare and/or Commercial Insurance provider electronically or hard copy?
A: The submission can be submitted both paper and electronic.
4. Q: If the EOB denial can be submitted in hard copy what is the address for submission?
A: **WellCare Health Plans**
Attn: Claim Payment Department
P.O. Box 31224
Tampa, FL 33631-3224
5. Q: How do providers track progress of paper copies of the EOB for individual members?
A: Provider will have to register to PaySpanHealth.com. PaySpan Health offers providers a complete solution for claims payment management. Providers can manage multiple payers, choose from among common and proprietary formats for ERAs, easily reconcile payments with claims, and take advantage of claim and remittance retrieval and reporting. Providers can contact PaySpan Health by calling 1-877-331-7154 or providersupport@payspanhealth.com.
6. Q: What is required for Providers to submit to WellCare if Member has Medicare and/or Commercial Insurance and the Provider does not participate in the Medicare and/or Commercial Network?
A: The Provider will have to submit to the Primary Insurance Carrier first even if the Provider does not participate in the Medicare and/or Commercial Network. If the Member has a primary insurance carrier, WellCare requires a copy of the explanation of payment from the other carrier before paying as primary.
7. Q: Who do providers contact for technical assistance regarding claims submission and coordination of benefits for dually eligible members and members with Commercial Insurance?
A: Providers can contact Provider Services at 1-888-453-2534 for questions related to claim submissions. For inquiries related to your electronic submissions to WellCare, please contact our EDI team at EDI-Master@wellcare.com. Claim forms and guidelines are found online at www.wellcare.com/New-Jersey/Providers/Medicaid/Claims.