

# SERVICES REQUIRING PRE-CERTIFICATION FOR State of Illinois CMS

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## For Pre-Certification Reviews

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The following services must be pre-certified, or reimbursement from the Plan will be reduced:

1. Inpatient pre-admission certification and continued stay reviews (all ages, all diagnoses)
  - a. surgical and non-surgical (excluding routine vaginal or cesarean deliveries)
  - b. long term acute care facility (LTAC), not custodial care
  - c. inpatient mental health/substance abuse treatment (includes residential treatment facility services)

The attending physician does not have to obtain pre-certification from the Plan for prescribing a maternity length of stay that is forty-eight (48) hours or less for a vaginal delivery or ninety-six (96) hours or less for a cesarean delivery.

2. Inpatient and outpatient surgery (excluding office surgeries, pain injections and screening colonoscopies)
3. Transplant (other than cornea), including, but not limited to, kidney, liver, heart, lung, pancreas, and bone marrow replacement to stem cell transfer after high-dose chemotherapy
4. Clinical trial that is conducted in relation to the prevention, detection, or treatment of cancer or other life-threatening disease or condition

This Plan does not cover clinical trials related to other diseases or conditions. Refer to the Medical Benefits section of the Summary Plan Description for a further description and limitations of this benefit.

5. Specialty infusion/injectable medications which are covered under the Medical Benefits and not obtained through the Prescription Drug Benefits (i.e. provided in an outpatient facility, physician's office, or home infusion), over \$1,000 per infusion/injection
6. Durable medical equipment in excess of \$1,000 (purchase price only)
7. Hospice care services
8. Non-emergent air ambulance
9. Chemotherapy drugs/infusions and radiation treatments for oncology diagnoses
10. Adoptive cell therapy

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