

Prior authorization requirements for continuous positive airway pressure supplies

Summary of change: Effective December 1, 2019, prior authorization (PA) requirements will change for select continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) supplies. Federal and state law, as state contract language and Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services guidelines, including definitions and specific contract provisions/exclusions, take precedence over these PA rules and must be considered first when determining coverage. Noncompliance with new requirements may result in denied claims.

Detailed PA requirements are available to contracted providers by accessing the Provider Self-Service Tool at https://www.availity.com. Contracted and noncontracted providers may call Provider Services at 1-844-405-4297 for prior authorization requirements or additional questions. Clinical hierarchy for medical necessity determination is as noted. For Medicare Advantage products, Simply Healthcare Plans, Inc. (Simply) makes coverage determinations based on CMS national coverage determinations, local coverage determinations, other coverage guidelines and instructions issued by CMS and legislative benefit changes. The *Clinical Guidelines* that have been adopted by Simply to review for medical necessity are also located at http://www.aimspecialtyhealth.com/marketing/guidelines/185/index.html.

Prior authorization requirements

For services that are scheduled on or after December 1, 2019, providers must contact Integrated Health Care Services (IHCS), our durable medical equipment partner, to obtain prior authorization for the services detailed below. Providers are strongly encouraged to verify that a prior authorization has been obtained before scheduling and performing services.

A4604	Tubing with heating element
A7046	Water chamber for humidifier, replacement, each
A7027	Combination Oral/Nasal Mask used with positive airway pressure device, each
A7030	Full Face Mask used with positive airway pressure device, each
A7031	Face Mask Cushion, Replacement for Full Face Mask
A7034	Nasal Interface (mask or cannula type), used with positive airway pressure
	device, with/without head strap
A7035	Headgear
A7036	Chinstrap
A7037	Tubing
A7039	Filter, non-disposable
A7044	Oral Interface for Positive Airway Pressure Therapy
A7045	Replacement Exhalation Port for PAP Therapy
A7028	Oral Cushion, Replacement for Combination Oral/Nasal Mask, each
A7029	Nasal Pillows, Replacement for Combination Oral/Nasal Mask, pair

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A7032	Replacement Cushion for Nasal Application Device
A7033	Replacement Pillows for Nasal Application Device, pair
A7038	Filter, disposable

Requesting PA

To request PA, you may use one of the following methods:

- Fax: **1-800-964-3627**
- Phone: **1-844-406-2396**

Not all PA requirements are listed here. PA requirements are available to contracted and noncontracted providers on our provider website:

https://provider.simplyhealthcareplans.com/florida-provider/precertification-lookup.

Providers may also call us at **1-844-405-4296** for PA requirements.