

#### INSURANCE GUIDELINES TO OBTAIN AUTHORIZATION

All insurance companies are not the same. Some require that you call, while others you are able to obtain authorization on-line. The requirements that are the same across the board are below.

**REQUIRED** documents you will need when obtaining an authorization:

- 1. Patient Demographics
- 2. CPTs of all tests you are requesting
- 3. ICD-10 codes along with description
- 4. Current patient's history and documentation of prolonged diagnosis

After submitting an authorization, the case may go peer-to-peer. This means you will need to have a nurse, PA, MA, or the referring Doctor contact the insurance company.

If a case is denied, the referring office must call to overturn, payors will not allow SDMI to do this on behalf of the referring office.

Below is a list of the insurance companies that will not allow SDMI to obtain authorization due to contractual agreements. In these cases the request must come from the referring office.

Insurance:	Pre-Cert Company:	Phone Number:
BCBS some plans	call the home plan	
<b>1</b>	can the nome plan First Health	801 323 6440
	underwriter GHI	
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UHC (some plans)		866.889.8054

If you have questions or need additional support, please contact a Patient Care Coordinator (PCC).

PCC Team Lead	702.515.8462 or
	702.515.8417
PCC Manager	702.515.8421
PCC Director	702.515.8431

As a courtesy SDMI will attempt to obtain authorization on all referrals submitted with the information listed above (1-4 under required documents). If you do not want SDMI to obtain authorization for you, please indicate "DO NOT OBTAIN AUTH" on the referral and/or include the authorization number. The insurance companies noted in GREEN on the following pages prohibit SDMI from obtaining authorization.

### SDMI is unable to obtain authorization for STATS

Please note, requests will be referred back to the referring provider to complete.

SDMI IS NOT ABLE TO ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING INSURANCES:

AARP Medicare Complete HCP only, Carelon (Formerly known as Caremore), Ambetter, Evicore for Radiology (Cigna), Friday Health Plan, Intermountain, Hometown Health, Humana (excluding: Optum), PacifiCare, P3 (Including: WellCare Specialty No Premium P3, Select P3 Boos P3, Harmony P3), Well Care



AARP SDMI cannot accept Medicare Complete Intermountain Medicare AARP Optum Complete HMO	Aetna Coventry (formerly First Health), Clark County Fire Fighters, GEHA, Mail Handlers, Medicare Prime, Hometown Health Plan, Painters Trust
Aetna Life Ins Co EBMS, EPO, P3, PPO, POS, QPOS, US Access, Open Access, Medicare and HMO 90 SDMI cannot accept HCA	Alignment Healthcare (2022)
Ascentra Workers Comp	Beech Street
Blue Cross/Blue Shield (BCBS) Nevada HMO& PPO, Medicare, Anthem Blue Cross/ Blue Shield Medicaid, Anthem Optum Mediblue All other States PPO Only Pre-Cert: Must call the Home Plan	Boyd Gaming BCBS for Radiology
Bricklayers & Allied Craftsmen Local 13 BCBS	Bunch Care Solutions (Formerly: Employers Insurance Co of Nevada) State Workers Comp
Caesars Entertainment - Harrah's No Authorization Required SHO	California Iron Workers BCBS for Radiology
Carpenters Health & Welfare Trust BCBS for Radiology	Cement Mason & Plasterers Beech Street
Champ VA Center & VA Medical Centers	ChoiceCare Network / Humana Commercial PPO, HMO, POS, EPO, Medicare PPO, POS, Medicare Network PFFS, Medicare HMO (Not assigned to HCP)
City of Henderson UMR, UHC & Workers Comp	City of Las Vegas Beech Street, Loomis, SW Admin & SHL/HPN for MRIs & Stereo Breast Biopsies
Clark County Employees EPO UMR / SHO	Clark County Self Funded UMR / SHO
Coventry (Formerly First Health)  SDMI cannot submit for authorization Pre-Cert: First Health 801.323.6440	Culinary Health Plan No Authorization Required
Electrical Workers Local 357 BCBS for Radiology	Golden Rule PPO UHC



Health Plan of Nevada (HPN)  Medicaid (Smart Choice, FFS)  HPN/Humana Optum  Optum HMO  Please see last page for additional guidelines	Humana under the IPA OPTUM - ONLY *Please see last page for additional guidelines Note: SDMI is unable to accept all other Humana plans
Jensen Admin Services (JAS)  JAS Local 711,  No Authorization Required  BCBS for Radiology	Laborers Local 872- Construction Workers  BCBS for Radiology  PREFERRED PROVIDER
Las Vegas Metro Police Department/ Las Vegas Police Protective Association UMR ( <i>No Auth Required</i> ), SHO	Medicaid Molina, State/HP, UHC HPN Medicaid, Anthem Blue Cross/Blue Shield Medicaid
Medicare State Part B Only	Medicare Advantage PPO/PFFS Aetna Medicare
Molina Medicaid	MGM Resorts PPO & Direct Care, SHO, UMR SDMI EXCLUSIVE
Mirage Las Vegas UMR/SHO	Mutual of Omaha Beech St
North Las Vegas Fire Fighters	NV Energy Sierra Health & Life
Operating Engineers Local 501 BCBS for Radiology	One Call Medical SDMI cannot submit for authorization Call 800.872.2875
Optum, HPN/Humana Optum, Optum HMO Please see last page for additional guidelines	P3 Employees UMR/SHO
Palms Casino Resort SHL	Private Healthcare System (PHCS) PPO & Multi-plan
Plumbers & Pipefitters Local 525 BCBS	Prominence PPO / HMO (Nevada Preferred Professionals NPP, Universal Health Network UHN)
Railroad Medicare	Sands Expo UMR / SHO



# RADIOLOGY ORDERING GUIDE INSURANCE GUIDELINES 2025

Sheet Metal Workers (BC/BS)	Sierra Health EPO, SHL, SHO, Sierra Choice POS, Sierra Health & Life PPO, Spectrum, Smart Choice, Nevada Check Up See last page for additional guidelines
Silver Summit Medicaid	South Point Casino UMR / SHO
State of Nevada Employee Health UMR / SHO	Teachers Health Trust (THT) No CoPay, No Deductible
Teachers Advantage Plan	Teamsters Local 14, 631, 986 BCBS
Tricare/UHC Standard, Extra, Prime, TriCare for Life	UFC Local 711 BCBS
UMR Caesars, Golden Nugget, Dignity, LVMPD, Sands Expo, Station Casinos, Palazzo, Venetian	Union Pacific Railroad Employees
United Healthcare (UHC) All plans, Golden Rule MRI Only: Optum Focus HMO, AARP, Mediblue	USA Health Network
US Department of Labor Workers Comp	VA - Veterans Medical Centers
Victims of Crime Program State of Nevada	Venetian No Authorization Required UMR / SHO SDMI EXCLUSIVE
Wynn Resorts SHO	



## HPN/HUMANA OPTUM / OPTUM HMO GUIDELINES

## No Authorization Needed

- MRI
- Pain Injections
- Modified Barium Swallow
- Paracentesis
- Thoracentesis
- Arthrogram
- Ultrasound Guided Biopsies
- CT Guided Biopsies
- Lumbar Puncture

# **Authorization Needed** (SDMI can submit, Referral and Clinicals required):

# 3D Mammogram

#### CT

- CTA
- CTE
- Calcium Scoring
- Colonography
- Extremity (for special protocols only)
- Low Dose Lung Screening
- Low Dose
- Myelogram
- Parathyroid
- Venogram

# **Fluoroscopy**

- Barium Enema
- Cisternogram
- Cystogram
- RUG Retrograde

Urethrogram

• VCHC

## **Nuclear Medicine**

#### **PET Scan**

#### Ultrasound

- Abdominal Elastography
- Arterial Doppler
- Fetal Hip/Infant Hips
- Fetal Spine
- HSG
- Liver Elastography
- Male Pelvis
- OB
- Portal Vein
- Prostate Transrectal
- Pyloric Infant Study
- Renal Arterial Doppler
- Transcranial Doppler

# X-Ray

- Scoliosis (2 or 3 View)
- Skeletal Survey

All other studies are required to go to SMA, unless special authorization is obtained by the referring physician. The authorization number must be included on the referral.

HPN GUIDELINES: SHL, Sierra Choice, UHC HPN Medicaid *No Authorization Needed:* 

• MRI

Paracentesis

• CT Guided Biopsies

- Pain Injections
- Thoracentesis
- Modified Barium Swallow Ultrasound Guided Biopsies

\*Any study over \$750.00 Authorization is required.