



**REFERRAL/AUTHORIZATION FORM**

Please refer to the Provider Manual or <http://www.christushealthplan.org>

Authorization Request Forms that are incomplete, illegible or do not include clinical documentation to support the request cannot be processed. The request will be returned to the sender for completion.

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Irving, Texas 75016  
UM 1-844-282-3026 • Fax: (800) 277-4926  
Eligibility: 1-844-282-3026

Date of Request: \_\_\_\_\_

**MEMBER INFORMATION**

Patient Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Patient ID: \_\_\_\_\_  
DOB: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex:  Male  Female

**PROVIDER INFORMATION**

Check Requesting Provider:  Primary Care Physician  Specialist  
Physician Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Person Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Person Phone/Extension: \_\_\_\_\_  
NPI/Tax ID: \_\_\_\_\_

**SPECIALIST/FACILITY REFERRED TO**

Referred to: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Specialty: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
NPI/Tax ID: \_\_\_\_\_  In-Network  Out-of Network  
Reason for Referral to Out of Network Specialist or Facility: \_\_\_\_\_

**OFFICE VISIT INFORMATION**

Initial Request:  \_\_\_ Visits-Consult/Treat  1 Visit-Consult Only  
Follow Up: \_\_\_\_\_ Visits/Year

**REQUEST FOR OTHER SERVICES**

Type of Service:  Observation  Inpatient  Home Health  Hospice  DME  Office Treatment  Outpatient  
Date of Procedure/Treatment: \_\_\_\_\_

**DIAGNOSIS/PROCEDURE INFORMATION**

Diagnosis: \_\_\_\_\_ ICD-10 Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Procedure: \_\_\_\_\_ CPT Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**TO BE COMPLETED BY REQUESTING PHYSICIAN**

Clinical documentation to support the request: (i.e. Physician office/progress notes, lab results, diagnostic/imaging results, pertinent medical/surgical history)  
Physician Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

- This Authorization is for medical necessity only and does not guarantee payment. Eligibility will be determined at the time the claim is submitted.
- Turnaround time for a routine prior authorization request is 3 business days (72 hours) from date/time of receipt of request.
- This Authorization is valid only for the services noted above.
- All out-of-network services require prior approval by CHRISTUS Health Plan.
- A specialist may not refer to an Out of Network specialist/facility.
- See back of form for a summary of authorization requirements.

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NEW MEXICO GENERATIONS (Medicare Advantage)

AUTHORIZATION REQUIREMENTS

For Eligibility and Benefits, please contact Member Services at 1-844-282-3026  
For Mental Health Assistance, contact Health Integrated at 1-800-323-0208

For Pharmacy Assistance, please contact:  
ESI Helpdesk: 1-844-470-1531

ALL OUT OF NETWORK SERVICES REQUIRE AUTHORIZATION

**Orthotics:** Authorization not required for orthotics with a cost of \$300 or less when furnished by a Network Provider, except:

**A5500-A5513 (Diabetic Shoes, Fitting and Modification) & L3000-L3649 (Orthopedic Shoes) Require Authorization**

**Prosthetics:** Authorization not required for prosthetics with a cost of \$300 or less when furnished by a Network Provider.

**Authorization Required**

**Outpatient Office/Facility/Home**

- Chemotherapy
- Dialysis
- Home Health (Physician Review Required for Aide Requests)
- Radiation Therapy
- Rehabilitation Therapy (physical, occupational, speech, cardiac)
- Hospice-Outpatient & Continuous Care
- Selected Outpatient surgical/diagnostic procedures
- Clinical Trials
- Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy
- Bariatric Surgery
- All out of network services

**Diagnostic Services**

- Cardiac Catheterization (scheduled)
- MRI/MRA
- SPECT
- Genetic Testing

\*\*See Prior Authorization list for more.

**Inpatient  
Authorization Required**

All elective and urgent admissions/observation stays to acute care hospitals, hospice, long term acute care, rehabilitation, skilled nursing facilities, and preoperative admissions.

**Specialty Drugs  
Authorization Required**

Injectable drugs whose course of treatment is greater than \$1,000 require authorization.

Examples:

- Activase (Alteplase)
- Aranesp (Darbepoetin)
- Botox (Botulinum Toxin Type A)
- Desferal (Deferoxamine)
- \*Enbrel (Etanercept)
- \*Growth Hormone (Somatropin)
- Interferon(Avonex)
- IVIG (Immune/Human Gamma Globulin)
- Lucentis (Ranibizumab)
- Macugen (Pegaptanib sodium)
- Neulasta (Pegfilgrastim)
- \*Remicade(Infliximab)
- Vantas (Histrelin Implant)

**\*Authorization required if not dispensed through the Network Pharmacy.**

**Authorization NOT Required**

- Arthroscopy
- Bone Density
- Capsule Endoscopy
- Doppler
- Echocardiogram
- EEG
- EMG/Nerve Conduction Studies
- ERCP
- Laboratory or radiology performed in the office setting and billed by a network provider
- Mammogram
- Surgical/diagnostic procedures performed in the office setting with no or local anesthesia
- Thyroid Scan
- Ultrasound
- Vascular Studies (arterial/venous studies)