

To: AmeriHealth Caritas New Hampshire Providers

**Date:** February 28, 2022

Subject: AmeriHealth Caritas New Hampshire Formulary Change

Summary: Effective immediately, the changes below will be made to the AmeriHealth Caritas New Hampshire formulary.

## **Clinical prior authorization revisions:**

Respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) season typically begins on November 1 of each year and continues through March. As a result of the last year's summertime resurgence in RSV activity, we have extended the prior authorization window for Synagis<sup>®</sup> (palivizumab). This allows Synagis use outside of its usual window, which may vary seasonally.

Based on recommendations from the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), we are also increasing the number of allowable doses from five to eight for the 2021 – 2022 season. Existing prior authorizations for Synagis will be updated to allow for eight doses, and any new prior authorizations for Synagis will allow a maximum of eight doses.

## **Questions:**

If you have questions about this communication, please contact AmeriHealth Caritas New Hampshire Provider Pharmacy Services at **1-888-765-6394 (TTY 1-855-809-9206).** 

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