

To: AmeriHealth Caritas New Hampshire Providers

Date: October 5, 2022

Subject: Prior Authorization (PA) Requirement for Substance Use Disorder (SUD)

Partial Hospitalization Program (PHP)

Summary: Effective November 5, 2022, AmeriHealth Caritas New Hampshire will require a PA review for SUD patients in PHP for greater than two weeks

As of **November 5**, **2022**, AmeriHealth Caritas New Hampshire **will begin to require PA** following two weeks of SUD PHP services (H2036HH/ASAM Level 2.5 SUD Partial Hospital).

The process will work as follows:

- 1. SUD PHP providers should continue to submit SUD notification of admission by faxing the SUD notification form to **1-833-469-2264**.
- 2. AmeriHealth Caritas New Hampshire Behavioral Health Utilization Management (BH UM) will provide an initial two-week authorization for SUD PHP.
- 3. SUD PHP providers will need to request additional time for services beyond the initial two-week authorization.
- 4. AmeriHealth Caritas New Hampshire BH UM will review additional requests for services based on medical necessity using American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) criteria.

Questions:

If you have questions about this communication, please contact your Provider Network Management Account Executive or the Provider Services department at **1-888-599-1479**.

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