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Today Provider Communications distributed the following notification:

• Reminder: Documentation Requirements for Pain Management Prior Authorizations

Below we've compiled a list of FAQs for the notification.

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Q: What is the purpose of this notification?

A: Neighborhood is reminding providers of the required documentation when seeking prior authorization for pain management procedures, specifically pain injections.

Q: Do providers need to provide any additional information?

A: Yes, in addition to submitting the required documentation, providers must also specify the number of visits required to complete the requested number of injections.

Q: What are the pain management categories that require documentation?

A: The complete list of categories can be found in the May 22, 2024, notification.

Q: What criteria does Neighborhood use regarding prior authorizations?

A: Neighborhood follows criteria found on the <u>Policies and Guidelines page</u> of our website. The page also features the <u>InterQual Transparency Tool</u> to help providers determine both medical necessity and the type of supporting documentation required to submit for prior authorization.

Q: Is this notification part of a medical cost action (MCA) initiative?

A: Yes, this an MCA-related notification.