

June 25, 2010

(addressed per Provider Services)

Dear Provider,

Neighborhood Health Plan of Rhode Island (Neighborhood) has developed a new Clinical Medical Policy for Obstetrical Ultrasounds which **becomes effective October 1, 2010.**

- Neighborhood will not require prior authorization for the first two obstetrical ultrasounds of each pregnancy;
- However, every third or more ultrasound will require prior authorization beginning on October 1, 2010.
- Please refer to the enclosed Clinical Medical Policy for Obstetrical Ultrasounds, or access our web site, www.nhpri.org.
- An ultrasound request form has been enclosed with this letter. It is also available electronically on our website. Please fax completed request forms to the Utilization Management/Clinical Medical Policy direct fax number, 1-401-459-6023.

Neighborhood's Utilization Management/Clinical Medical Policy staff is available for any questions you may have as you begin this new process at 1-401-459-6060, or 1-800-264-3955.

Thank you for the service you provide to our members.

Sincerely,

Stephen Davis, MD
Associate Medical Director