

Home Health Care Prior Authorization Requirement to be Removed

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Effective June 1, 2024, Neighborhood Health Plan of Rhode Island (Neighborhood) will no longer require prior authorization for nursing assessments and evaluations. **This update applies to all lines of business.**

The following table outlines the service and associated code:

Figure 1:

Service	Code List
Nursing assessment/evaluation	T1001

Please note that although prior authorization requirements may be added, updated, or removed for certain codes, the presence or absence of a service or code on the list does not indicate coverage, benefit availability, or reimbursement for all products or lines of business. Providers should verify Neighborhood member eligibility and benefit availability (NaviNet) prior to performing a service. Prior authorization is a determination of medical necessity but does not guarantee coverage, benefits, or reimbursement.

Providers should use the [Prior Authorization Search Tool](#) found on the [Policies and Guidelines page](#) to determine which Neighborhood services require prior authorization. To ensure faster and more accurate processing, providers can choose from the [prior authorization electronic forms found here](#). Additional information can also be found under [Neighborhood's Billing Guidelines and Payment Policies](#).

If you have any questions about this update, please contact Provider Services at 1-800-963-1001.

Note: This notice was sent via email to all home health providers on May 9, 2024.