

Provider Bulletin

Q4 2024 updates for providers to support you in the care of your Longevitycovered patients

Utilization Management Updates for Q1 2025

- Prior Authorization List
 - Longevity Health is releasing a new prior authorization list for 2025. The application of this list will take effect January 1, 2025.
- Policy Updates
 - The following new policies will take effect January 1, 2025:
 - Non-emergency ambulance transportation- This policy will outline the medical necessity criteria for a member to utilize ambulance transportation for non-emergency situations. This guidance will be in alignment with current standards defined by Medicare.
 - Wound Care- This policy will outline the appropriate use of debridement in treating wounds as defined by Medicare. The wound care policy updates will also include guidance on appropriateness of dressings based on clinical evidence.
 - Durable Medical Equipment (DME)- This policy will outline the appropriateness of durable medical equipment in the nursing facility based on guidance from Medicare. Medical necessity criteria will rely on guidance from LCDs/NCDs. This policy articulates the standard for place of service as it relates to DME.
 - Behavioral Health- The Mental Health Services Policy will be updated to reflect recent changes to LCDs as well as provide additional guidance and clarity around the appropriateness of services.
 - Coverage Determinations Policy- This policy will be updated to include language surrounding experimental care and the general approach to reviews where this may be applicable.
- Prior Authorization Form
 - A new prior authorization form will be launched January 1, 2025. The previous iterations of the form will be removed from the website.