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Dear Provider,

In keeping with our commitment of promoting continuous quality improvement for services provided to Absolute Total Care members, Absolute Total Care has entered into an agreement with National Imaging Associates, Inc. (NIA), an affiliate of Magellan Health Services, to implement a radiology benefit management program. This program includes the management and prior authorization of non-emergent, advanced, outpatient radiology services. This program is consistent with industry-wide efforts to ensure clinically appropriate quality of care and to manage the increasing utilization of these services.

Under terms of the agreement between Absolute Total Care and NIA, Absolute Total Care will oversee the NIA program and continue to be responsible for claims adjudication. NIA will manage non-emergent outpatient imaging/ radiology services through contractual relationships with free-standing facilities.

Planned for a **May1, 2011** implementation, this **correspondence serves as notice under your Participating Absolute Total Care Provider Agreement** of changes to the program.

Prior authorization will be required for the following outpatient radiology procedures:

- ▶ CT /CTA/CCTA
- ▶ MRI/MRA
- ▶ PET Scans

KEY PROVISIONS:

- Emergency room, observation and inpatient imaging procedures do not require authorization.
- It is the responsibility of the ordering physician to obtain authorization.
- Providers rendering the above services should verify that the necessary authorization has been obtained. Failure to do so may result in non-payment of your claim.



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We appreciate your support and look forward to your assistance in assuring that Absolute Total Care members receive diagnostic imaging services delivered in a quality, clinically appropriate fashion.

We will provide additional information as we get closer to the implementation date. In addition, you can access the NIA Frequently Asked Questions and Quick Reference Guide on our website at www.absolutetotalcare.com or NIA's website at www.RadMD.com. If you have questions, please contact Absolute Total Care at (866) 433-6041.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Peter Bachini".

Peter Bachini
VP Contracting & Network Development
Absolute Total Care