



May 1, 2014

Dear Managed Care Director,

AmeriHealth Caritas Pennsylvania and AmeriHealth Northeast are pleased to announce that we have entered into an agreement with National Imaging Associates Inc. (NIA), to implement a radiology benefits management program effective July 1, 2014. This program includes management of non-emergent, advanced outpatient imaging services to include prior authorization. This will replace the existing process with our Clinical Services department. Emergency room, observation and inpatient imaging procedures will not require authorization.

AmeriHealth Caritas Pennsylvania and AmeriHealth Northeast will oversee the NIA program and continue to be responsible for claims adjudication. Effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2014, **prior authorization via NIA will be required for the following outpatient imaging procedures:**

- CT/CTA
- MRI/MRA
- PET scan
- CCTA
- Nuclear Cardiology/MPI

**Please note the following:**

- The ordering physician is responsible for obtaining authorization prior to the above-listed services being rendered. To obtain authorization, the provider should go to the NIA website [www.RadMD.com](http://www.RadMD.com) or call the NIA dedicated toll-free phone number at **1-800-588-8142**.
- Providers rendering the services listed above should verify that the necessary authorization has been obtained by visiting [www.RadMD.com](http://www.RadMD.com) or calling NIA at **1-800-588-8142**. Failure to do so may result in nonpayment of your claim.

We appreciate your support and look forward to your assistance in ensuring that AmeriHealth Caritas Pennsylvania and AmeriHealth Northeast members receive diagnostic imaging services delivered in a quality, clinically appropriate manner.

We will provide additional information as we get closer to the implementation date, including program details, webinar training sessions, quick reference guides and information directly from NIA to facilitate a smooth transition to our radiology management program. Should you have questions at this time, please contact your AmeriHealth Caritas Pennsylvania or AmeriHealth Northeast account executive.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stephen Orndorff".

Stephen Orndorff  
Director, Provider Network Management