







PA Health & Wellness Ambetter from PA Health & Wellness Musculoskeletal (MSK) Management Program

Provider Training



Evotent Program Agenda

Our MSK Program

-  Authorization Process
 - Other Program Components
-  Provider Tools and Contact Information
-  RadMD Demo
-  Questions and Answers

National Imaging Associates, Inc. (NIA) is now **Evolent**

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 **Vital Decisions**

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Our Motivation

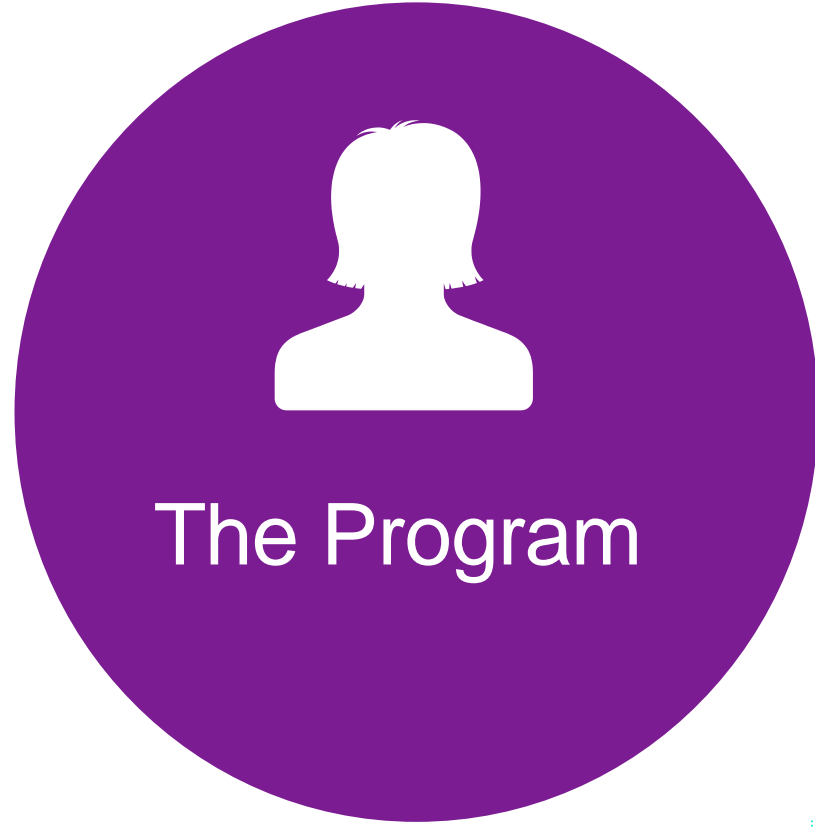
Patients

- Better Treatment
- Better Health

Providers

- Less Friction
- Appropriate Care

MSK Prior Authorization Program



- PA Health & Wellness and Ambetter from PA Health & Wellness will begin a prior authorization program through Evolent (formerly National Imaging Associates, Inc.) for the management of MSK Services.



- Program start date: March 1, 2024
- Begin obtaining authorizations from Evolent on March 1, 2024, for services rendered on or after March 1, 2024



- Inpatient and outpatient hip, knee, shoulder, lumbar and cervical spine surgeries

Settings:

- Surgery Center
- In Office
- Hospital



- Medicaid
- Exchange Programs
- Medicare



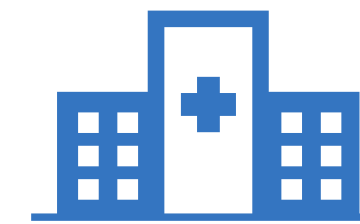
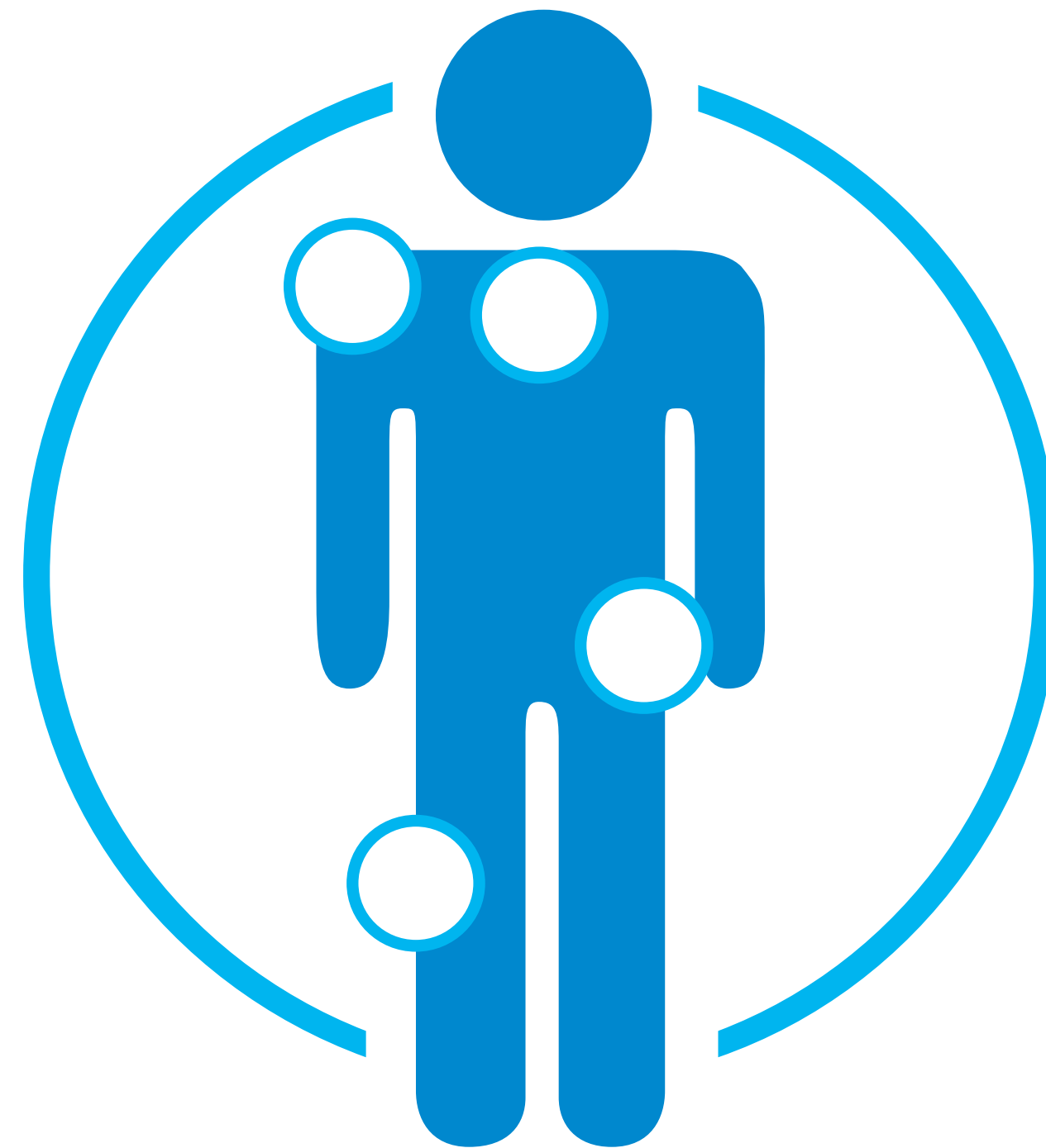
- Evolent will manage services through PA Health & Wellness and Ambetter from PA Health & Wellness contractual relationships.

Lumbar and Cervical Spine Surgery

Lumbar and Cervical Spine Surgeries Performed Inpatient and Outpatient

- Lumbar Microdiscectomy
- Lumbar Decompression (Laminotomy, Laminectomy, Facetectomy & Foraminotomy)
- Lumbar Spine Fusion (Arthrodesis) With or Without Decompression – Single & Multiple Levels
- Cervical Anterior Decompression with Fusion –Single & Multiple Levels
- Cervical Posterior Decompression with Fusion –Single & Multiple Levels
- Cervical Posterior Decompression (without fusion)
- Cervical Artificial Disc Replacement – Single & Two Levels
- Cervical Anterior Decompression (without fusion)
- Lumbar Artificial Disc – Single & Two Levels
- Sacroiliac Joint Fusion

Procedures Performed on or after March 1, 2024, Require Prior Authorization. Evolent's Call Center and RadMD will open March 1, 2024.



Surgery Performed in this Setting is Excluded:

- Emergency Surgery – admitted via the Emergency Room

Reconstructive spinal deformity surgery does not require prior authorization. However, Evolent will monitor provider use of CPT codes 22800-22819.

Hip, Knee and Shoulder Surgery



Hip Surgeries Performed Inpatient and Outpatient

- Revision/Conversion Hip Arthroplasty
- Total Hip Arthroplasty/Resurfacing
- Femoroacetabular Impingement (FAI) Hip Surgery (includes CAM/pincer & labral repair)
- Hip Surgery – Other (includes synovectomy, loose body removal, debridement, diagnostic hip arthroscopy, and extra-articular arthroscopy knee)

Knee Surgeries Performed Inpatient and Outpatient

- Revision Knee Arthroplasty
- Total Knee Arthroplasty (TKA)
- Partial-Unicompartmental Knee Arthroplasty (UKA)
- Knee Manipulation under Anesthesia (MUA)
- Knee Ligament Reconstruction/Repair
- Knee Meniscectomy/Meniscal Repair/Meniscal Transplant
- Knee Surgery – Other (includes synovectomy, loose body removal, diagnostic knee arthroscopy, debridement with or without chondroplasty, lateral release/patellar realignment, articular cartilage restoration)

Shoulder Surgeries Performed Inpatient and Outpatient

- Revision Shoulder Arthroplasty
- Total/Reverse Shoulder Arthroplasty or Resurfacing
- Partial Shoulder Arthroplasty/Hemiarthroplasty
- Shoulder Rotator Cuff Repair
- Shoulder Labral Repair
- Frozen Shoulder Repair/Adhesive Capsulitis
- Shoulder Surgery – Other (includes debridement, manipulation, decompression, tenotomy, tenodesis, synovectomy, claviclectomy, diagnostic shoulder arthroscopy)



Surgery Performed in this Setting is Excluded:

- Emergency Surgery – admitted via the Emergency Room

CPT Codes Requiring Prior Authorization (Joint Surgery)



Review Claims/Utilization Review Matrix to determine CPT codes managed by Evolent.



Includes CPT Codes and their Allowable Billable Groupings.



Located on [RadMD.com](https://www.radmd.com).



Defer to PA Health & Wellness and Ambetter from PA Health and Wellness Policies for Procedures not on Claims/Utilization Review Matrix.



**PA Health & Wellness
Utilization Review Matrix 2024
Musculoskeletal Surgery (Hip, Knee, and Shoulder)**

HIP SURGERY PROCEDURES			
Procedure Name	Primary CPT Code	Allowable Billed Groupings	Additional Covered Procedures/Codes
<i>Authorization is provided at the procedure level. There are multiple CPT codes that can be associated with each procedure. These are assumed to be part of the primary request and, when completed in combination, do not require a separate authorization.</i>			
Revision/Conversion Hip Arthroplasty	27134	27132, 27134, 27137, 27138	
Total Hip Arthroplasty/Resurfacing	27130	27130, S2118	
Femoroacetabular Impingement (FAI) Hip Surgery	29914	29914, 29915, 29916	Loose Body Removal: 29861 Chondroplasty: 29862 Synovectomy: 29863
Hip Surgery – Other	29863	29860, 29861, 29862, 29863	

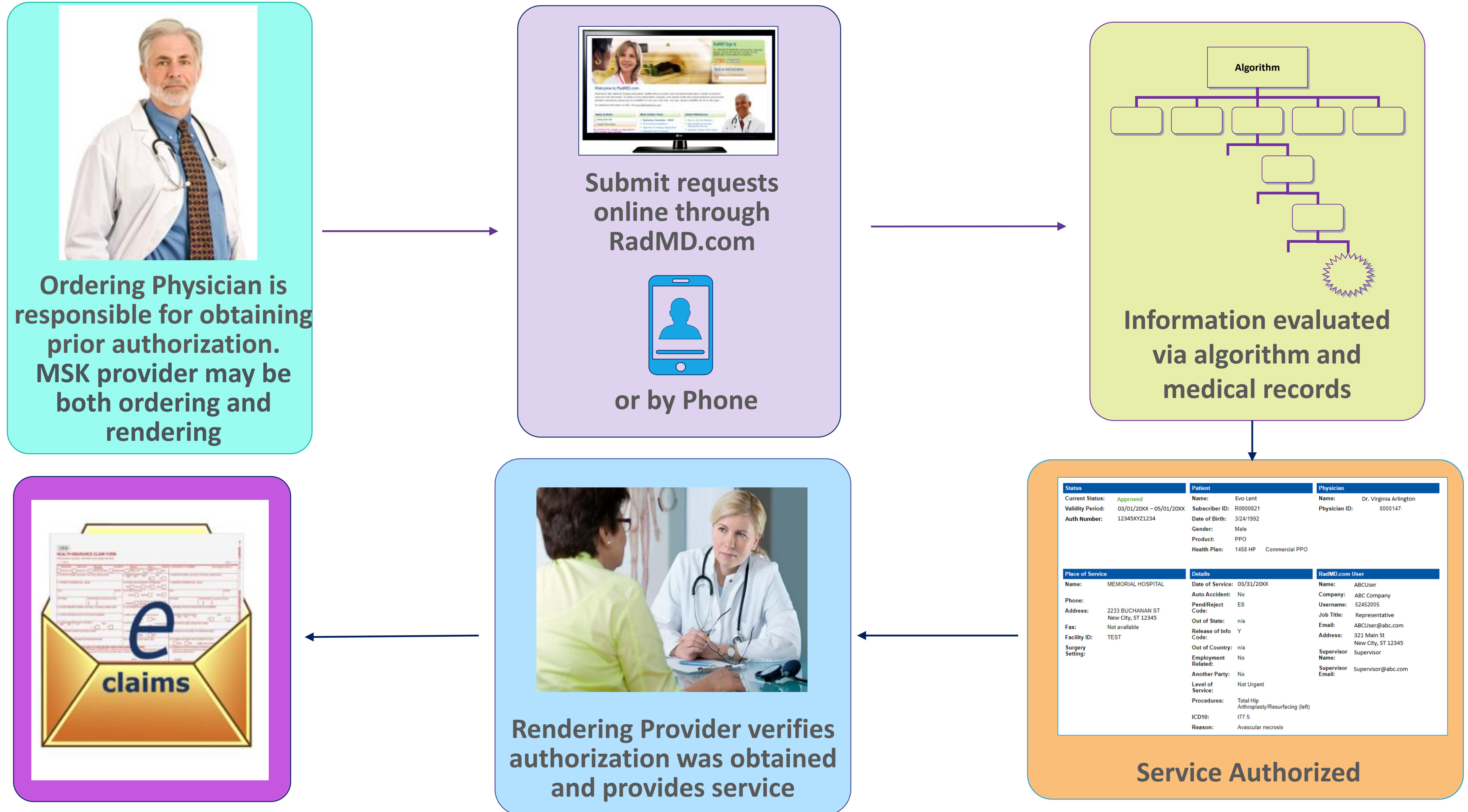
CPT Codes Requiring Prior Authorization (Spine Surgery)



PA Health & Wellness Utilization Review Matrix 2024 Spine Surgery

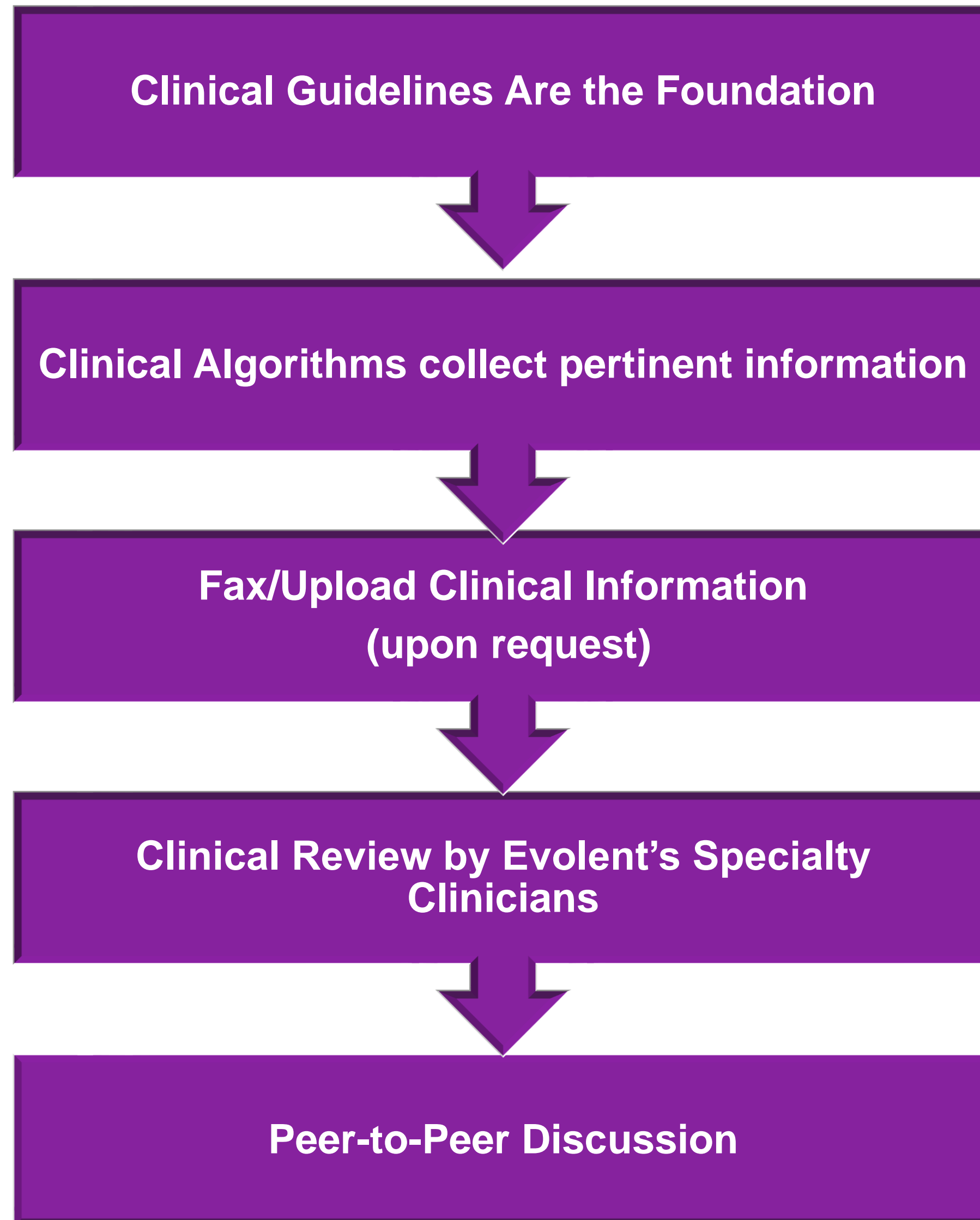
LUMBAR SPINE SURGERY PROCEDURES				
Procedure Name	Primary CPT Code	Allowable Billed Groupings	Additional Covered Procedures/Codes	Ancillary Procedures/Codes
<p>Authorization is provided at the <u>procedure</u> level. There are multiple CPT codes that can be associated with each procedure. These are assumed to be part of the primary request and, when completed in combination, do not require a separate authorization.</p>				<p>These codes do not require prior authorization. If the main procedure is approved, these codes are understood to be included and do not require precertification from the health plan.</p> <p>*Please note: This is not an all-inclusive list of every possible ancillary code</p>
Lumbar Microdiscectomy	63030	62380, 63030, +63035		
Lumbar Decompression	63047	63005, 63012, 63017, 63042, +63044, 63047, +63048, 63056, +63057	Microdiscectomy: 62380, 63030, +63035	
Lumbar Fusion - Single Level	22612	22533, 22558, 22612, 22630, 22633, +63052, +63053	Microdiscectomy: 62380, 63030, +63035 Decompression: 63005, 63012, 63017, 63042, +63044, 63047, +63048, 63056, +63057	Instrumentation: +22840, +22841, +22842, +22845, +22853 Bone Grafts: +20930, +20931, +20936, +20937, +20938 Bone Marrow Aspiration: 20939

Prior Authorization Process Overview



Status	Patient	Physician
Current Status: Approved	Name: Evo Lent	Name: Dr. Virginia Arlington
Validity Period: 03/01/20XX – 05/01/20XX	Subscriber ID: R0000821	Physician ID: 0000147.
Auth Number: 12345XYZ1234	Date of Birth: 3/24/1992	
	Gender: Male	
	Product: PPO	
	Health Plan: 1458 HP Commercial PPO	
Place of Service	Details	RadMD.com User
Name: MEMORIAL HOSPITAL	Date of Service: 03/31/20XX	Name: ABCUser
Phone:	Auto Accident: No	Company: ABC Company
Address: 2233 BUCHANAN ST New City, ST 12345	Pend/Reject Code: E8	Username: 52452005
Fax: Not available	Out of State: n/a	Job Title: Representative
Facility ID: TEST	Release of Info Code: Y	Email: ABCUser@abc.com
Surgery Setting:	Out of Country: n/a	Address: 321 Main St New City, ST 12345
	Employment Related: No	Supervisor Name: Supervisor
	Another Party: No	Supervisor Email: Supervisor@abc.com
	Level of Service: Not Urgent	
	Procedures: Total Hip Arthroplasty/Resurfacing (left)	
	ICD10: I77.5	
	Reason: Avascular necrosis	

Evolut's Clinical Foundation & Review



- **Clinical guidelines** were developed by practicing specialty physicians, through literature reviews and evidenced-based research. Guidelines are reviewed and mutually approved by PA Health & Wellness, Ambetter from PA Health & Wellness and Evolut Medical Officers and clinical experts. **Clinical Guidelines are available on [RadMD.com](https://www.radmd.com)**
- Algorithms are a branching structure that changes depending upon the answer to each question.
- The member's clinical information/medical record will be required for validation of clinical criteria before an approval can be made.
- Evolut has a specialized clinical team focused on MSK.
- Peer-to-peer discussions are offered for any request that does not meet medical necessity guidelines.
- **Our goal – ensure that members are receiving appropriate care.**

Authorization for Surgery

Special Information

- Most surgeries require only one authorization request. Evolent provides a list of surgery categories to choose from and the surgeon's office must select the most complex and invasive surgery being performed as the **primary** surgery.
 - Example 1: A lumbar fusion authorization includes decompression, instrumentation, etc.
 - Example 2: A knee ligament reconstruction includes meniscectomy, debridement, etc.
- Bilateral hip or knee surgeries require authorization for both the left **and** right side. ACDF and posterior cervical fusion require authorization for each procedure. These requests can be entered at the same time and will be reviewed concurrently.
- Inpatient admissions continue to be subject to concurrent review by PA Health & Wellness and Ambetter from PA Health & Wellness .
- Date of Service is required.
- The ordering physician must obtain prior authorization with Evolent prior to performing the surgery/procedure.
- Facility admissions do not require a separate prior authorization. However, the facility should ensure that an Evolent prior authorization has been obtained prior to scheduling the surgery/procedure.

Surgery Clinical Checklist Reminders

Surgery Documentation:



Details regarding the member's symptoms and their onset/duration



Physical exam findings



Conservative treatment modalities with dates and duration (e.g., physical therapy, home exercise plan, injections, medications, activity modification)



Diagnostic imaging results



Ordering physician's surgical plan (including a discussion about the potential risks and benefits of the procedure) (BMI, smoking history, mental status for some surgeries)

Evolut to Physician: Request for Clinical Information

CC_TRACKING_NUMBER FAXC

PLEASE FAX THIS FORM TO:

Date: TODAY

ORDERING PROVIDER:	REQ PROVIDER:		
FAX NUMBER:	FAX RECIP PHONE:	TRACKING NUMBER:	CC TRACKING NUMBER:
RE: Authorization Request	MEMBER ID:	MEMBER ID:	
PATIENT NAME:	MEMBER NAME:		
HEALTH PLAN:	CAR NAME:		

Request for Further Clinical Information

We have received your request for PROC_DESC. Please use this tool to assist us with the preauthorization process, by submitting by fax (FAX # _____) or phone all relevant information requested below. For information regarding NIA clinical guidelines used for determinations please see radind.com. To speak with an Initial Clinical Reviewer please call _____

1. Treating condition/diagnosis:
2. Brief relevant medical history and summary of previous therapy:
3. Surgery Date and Procedure (if any):
4. Date of initial evaluation: _____ Date of Re-evaluation: _____

RESULTS OF OBJECTIVE TESTS AND MEASURES: _____



A fax is sent to the provider detailing what clinical information that is needed, along with a fax coversheet.



We stress the need to provide the clinical information as quickly as possible so we can make a determination.



Determination timeframe begins after receipt of clinical information.



Failure to receive requested clinical information may result in non certification.

Submitting Additional Clinical Information

- Records may be submitted:
 - Upload to <https://www.RadMD.com>
 - Fax using Evolent coversheet
- Location of Fax Coversheets:
 - Can be printed from <https://www.RadMD.com>
 - Call
 - Medicaid:** 1-800-424-4921
 - Medicare:** 1-866-642-9705
 - Exchange:** 1-866-500-7750
- Use the case specific fax coversheet when faxing clinical information to Evolent

Exam Request Verification: Detail

Upload Clinical Document

Print Fax Cover Sheet

Request Additional Visits

Cases in this Request

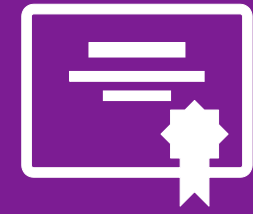
Member

Name: Evo Lent
Gender: Female
Date of Birth: 5/24/1971
Member ID: AB123456
Health Plan: ABC Health Plan
HMO
Spoken Language: ENGLISH
Written Language: ENGLISH

Provider

Name: Memorial Hospital
Address: 123 Main St, New City, ST
12345
Phone: 123-456-7890
Tax ID: 987654321
UPIN:
Specialty:

Clinical Specialty Team: Focused MSK



MSK Surgery Review

Initial clinical review performed by specialty trained surgery nurses

Surgery concierge team will contact provider for additional clinical information

Orthopedic surgeons or neurosurgeons conduct clinical reviews and peer-to-peer discussions on surgery requests

MSK Clinical Review Process

Physicians' Office Contacts Evolent for Prior Authorization

✓ RadMD ✓ Telephone



Evolent Initial Clinical Specialty Team Review

- Additional clinical information submitted and reviewed – Procedure Approved
- Additional clinical not complete or inconclusive – Escalate to Physician Review

✓ *Designated & Specialized Clinical MSK Team interacts with Provider Community.*



✓
*Key Evolent
Differentiators*

Request Evaluated Based on Information Entered

- Additional clinical information required

Evolent Specialty Physician Reviewers

- Evolent Physician approves case *without* peer-to-peer

✓ *Peer-to-peer outbound attempt made if case is not approvable*

- Evolent Physician approves case with peer-to-peer
- Ordering Physician withdraws case during peer-to-peer
- Physician denies case based on medical criteria

Generally, the turnaround time for completion of these requests is within two or three business days upon receipt of sufficient clinical information

Urgent/Expedited Authorization Process

- If an urgent clinical situation exists (outside of a hospital emergency room) during business hours, please call Evolent immediately.
- The Evolent website <https://www.RadMD.com> cannot be used for medically urgent or expedited prior authorization requests during business hours. Those requests must be processed by calling the Evolent call center:
 - **Medicaid:** 1-800-424-4921
 - **Medicare:** 1-866-642-9705
 - **Exchange:** 1-866-500-7750
- Turnaround time is within 72 calendar hours not to exceed 72 calendar hours.

Notification of Determination

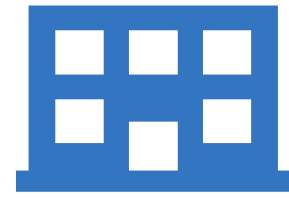
Authorization Notification

- Authorizations are valid for:
Surgery
 - Outpatient- SDC/Ambulatory – 90 days from date of request

Denial Notification

- Notifications include an explanation of services denied and the clinical rationale.
- A peer-to-peer discussion can be initiated once the adverse determination has been made.
- Reconsideration, may be available with new or additional information.
- Reconsideration for Exchange members must occur within **5 business days** from the date of denial and prior to submitting a formal appeal.
- Re-review and re-opens are **not allowed**.
- In the event of a denial, providers are asked to follow the instructions provided in their denial letter.

MSK Surgery Points – Lumbar/Cervical Spine Surgery



Inpatient and outpatient non-emergent surgeries



Spine Surgery is focused on lumbar and/or cervical spine surgeries



For spinal surgeries, only one authorization request per surgery. For example, a lumbar fusion authorization includes decompression, instrumentation, etc.



Reconstructive spinal deformity surgery does not require prior authorization. However, Evolent will monitor provider use of CPT codes 22800-22819.

MSK Surgery Points – Hip, Knee and Shoulder Surgery



Bilateral hip or knee surgeries require authorization for both the left **and** right side. These requests can be entered at the same time and will be reviewed concurrently. ACDF and posterior cervical fusion require authorization for each procedure. These requests can be entered at the same time and will be reviewed concurrently.



Surgeries addressing the following are not included in the MSK program: trauma, amputation, fracture, active infection, pediatric conditions, congenital malformation, dysplasia (hip), palsy/plegia, osteochondritis dissecans (knee), osteotomy (knee), tumor, cyst, cancer, arthrodesis, girdle resection (hip), denervation (hip), joint dislocation, hemiarthroplasty (hip), hardware & foreign body removal.

MSK Surgery Points – All Surgeries



Specialized Orthopedic Surgeons or Neurosurgeons will review surgery requests. Inpatient admissions will continue to be subject to concurrent review by PA Health & Wellness or Ambetter from PA Health & Wellness.



The ordering physician must obtain prior authorization with Evolent prior to performing the surgery/procedure.

Facility admissions do not require a separate prior authorization. However, the facility should ensure that an Evolent prior authorization has been obtained prior to scheduling the surgery/procedure.



Authorizations are valid for **90 days** from the date of request. Evolent must be notified of any changes to the date of service.

Provider Tools



RadMD Website RadMD.com



Available

24/7 (except during maintenance, performed every third Thursday of the month from 9 pm – midnight PST)



Toll-Free Numbers

- **Medicaid:** 1-800-424-4921
- **Medicare:** 1-866-642-9705
- **Exchange:** 1-866-500-7750



Available

Monday - Friday
7:00 AM – 7:00 PM EST

- Request Authorization
- View Authorization Status
- View and manage Authorization Requests with other users
- Upload Additional Clinical Information
- View Requests for additional Information and Determination Letters
- View Clinical Guidelines
- View Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)
- View Other Educational Documents

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- Interactive Voice Response (IVR) System for authorization tracking

Evolent Website

<https://www.RadMD.com>

RadMD Functionality varies by user:

- **Ordering Provider's Office** – View and submit requests for authorization.
- **Rendering Provider** – View approved, pended and in review authorizations for their facility.
- IPM providers are typically both the ordering and the rendering provider.

Online Tools Available on RadMD

- Evolent's Clinical Guidelines
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Quick Reference Guides
- IPM Checklist
- RadMD Quick Start Guide
- Claims/Utilization Matrices



RadMD New User Application Process - Ordering

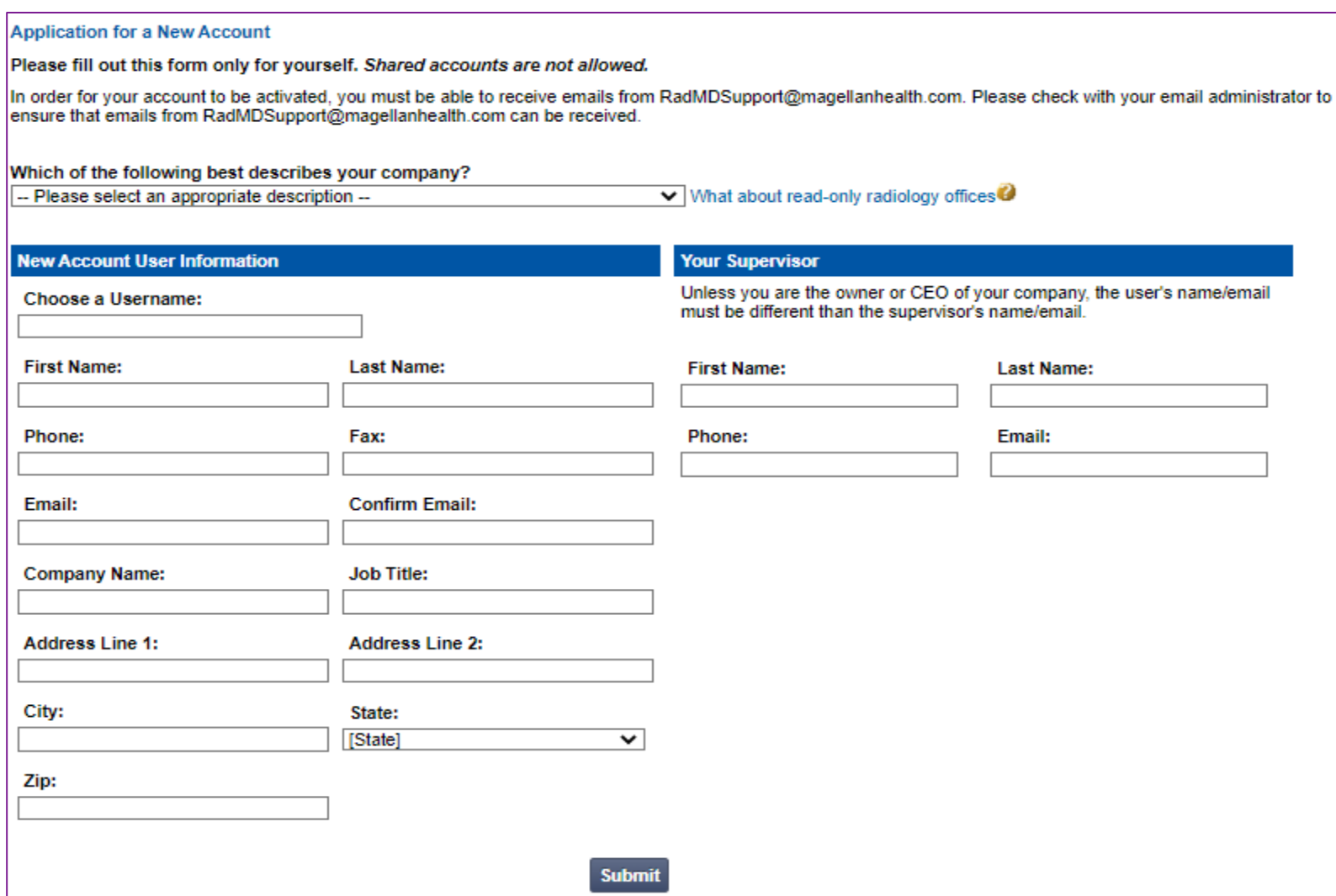
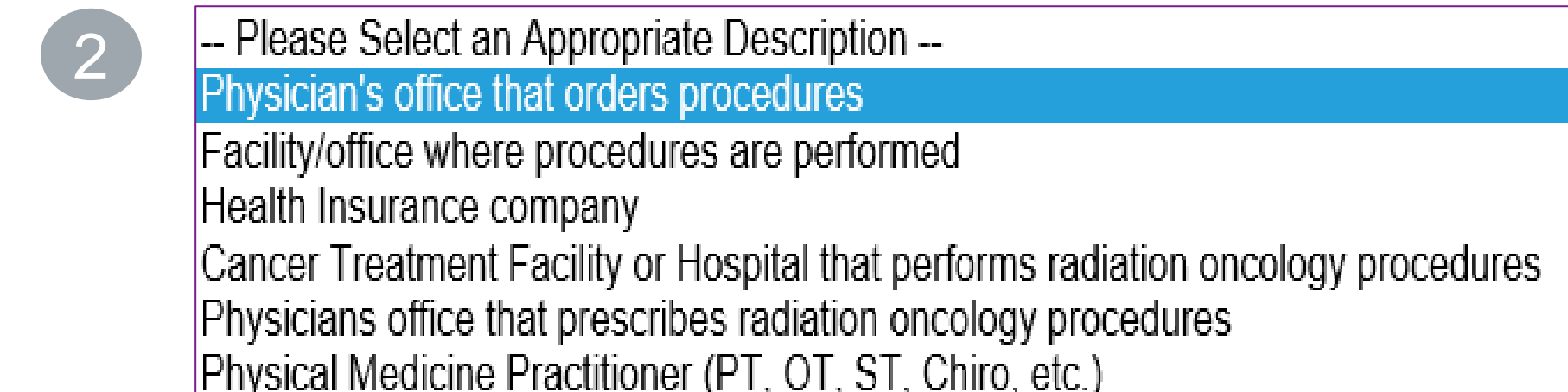
Users are required to have their own separate usernames and passwords due to HIPAA regulations.

STEPS:

1. Click the “New User” button on the right side of the home page.
2. Select “Physician’s office that orders procedures”
3. Complete the application and click “Submit”.
4. Open email from Evolent webmaster with new user password instructions

NOTE: On subsequent visits to RadMD, click the “Sign In” button to proceed.

Offices that are both ordering and rendering procedures should request ordering provider access. This will allow you to request authorization on RadMD and see the status of requests.



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Application for a New Account
Please fill out this form only for yourself. Shared accounts are not allowed.
In order for your account to be activated, you must be able to receive emails from RadMDSupport@magellanhealth.com. Please check with your email administrator to ensure that emails from RadMDSupport@magellanhealth.com can be received.

Which of the following best describes your company?
-- Please select an appropriate description -- What about read-only radiology offices?

New Account User Information		Your Supervisor	
Choose a Username: [input]		Unless you are the owner or CEO of your company, the user's name/email must be different than the supervisor's name/email.	
First Name: [input]	Last Name: [input]	First Name: [input]	Last Name: [input]
Phone: [input]	Fax: [input]	Phone: [input]	Email: [input]
Email: [input]		Confirm Email: [input]	
Company Name: [input]	Job Title: [input]		
Address Line 1: [input]	Address Line 2: [input]		
City: [input]	State: [State]		
Zip: [input]			
Submit			

RadMD New User Application Process - Rendering

IMPORTANT

- Users are required to have their own separate username and password due to HIPAA regulations.
- Designate an “Administrator” for the facility who manages access for users.

STEPS:

1. Click the “New User” button on the right side of the home page.
2. Select “Facility/office where procedures are performed”
3. Complete the application and click “Submit”.
4. Open email from Evolent webmaster with new user password instructions.

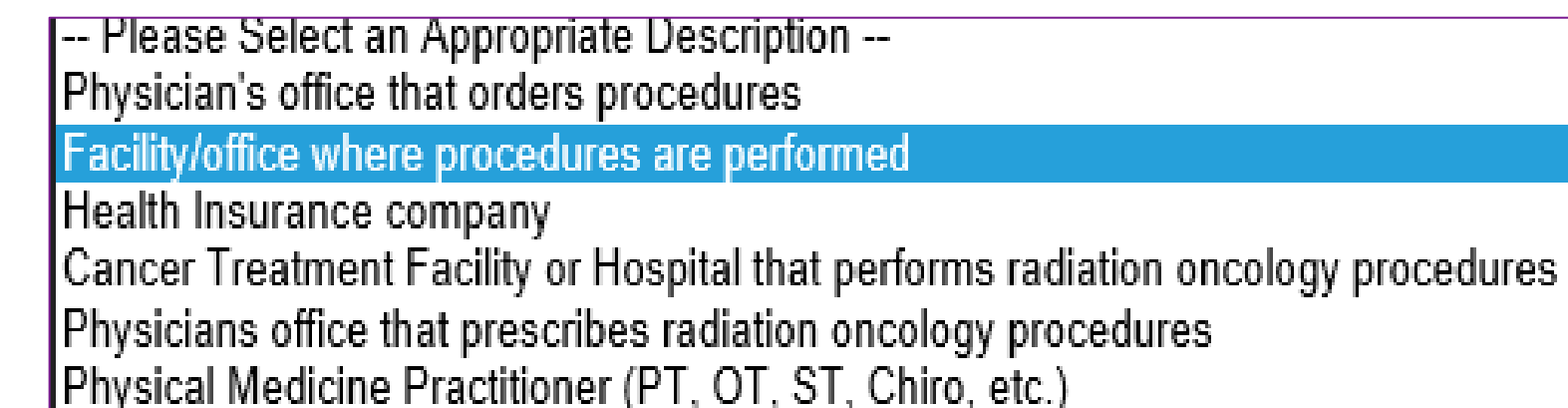
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If multiple staff members entering authorizations need to view approved, pended, and in-review authorization requests, they will each need to complete and submit a new user application. The account administrator is responsible for granting rendering access for each employee.

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The screenshot shows the "Application for a New Account" form. It includes a dropdown menu for "Which of the following best describes your company?" with "Facility/office/lab where procedures are performed" selected. The form is divided into several sections: "New Account User Information" (with fields for Username, First Name, Last Name, Phone, Fax, Email, Confirm Email, Company Name, Job Title, Address Line 1, Address Line 2, City, State, and Zip), "Your Supervisor" (with fields for First Name, Last Name, Phone, and Email), and "Affiliated Facilities" (with fields for Facility Tax ID # and Your Tax IDs). A "Submit" button is at the bottom.

Shared Access

Evolent offers a **Shared Access** feature on our [RadMD.com](https://www.radmd.com) website. Shared Access allows ordering providers to view authorization requests initiated by other RadMD users within their practice.

The screenshot shows the RadMD.com website interface. At the top right, there are links for "Provider Resources" and "User" with a dropdown arrow. The main content area is divided into two columns. The left column has a "Request" section with links for "Exam or specialty procedure (including Cardiac, Ultrasound, Sleep Assessment)", "Physical Medicine", "Initiate a Subsequent Request", "Radiation Treatment Plan", "Pain Management or Minimally Invasive Procedure", "Spine Surgery or Orthopedic Surgery", and "Genetic Testing". The right column has a "Resources and Tools" section with links for "Shared Access", "Clinical Guidelines", and "Request access to Tax ID", and a "News and Updates" section. Below these columns, there are two input fields: "Login As Username:" with a text box and a "Login" button, and "Tracking Number:" with a text box and a "Search" button. A link "Forgot Tracking Number?" is located below the tracking number search box. At the bottom left, there is a "Request Status" section with links for "Search for Request" and "View All My Requests".

If practice staff is unavailable for a period of time, access can be shared with other users in the practice. They will be able to view and manage the authorization requests initiated on [RadMD.com](https://www.radmd.com), allowing them to communicate with members and facilitate treatment.

When to Contact Evolent

<p>Initiating or checking the status of an authorization request</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Website, https://www.RadMD.com▪ Toll-free numbers:<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Medicaid: 1-800-424-4921▪ Medicare: 1-866-642-9705▪ Exchange : 1-866-500-7750▪ Interactive Voice Response (IVR) System
<p>Initiating a Peer-to-Peer Consultation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Call:<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Medicaid: 1-800-424-4921▪ Medicare: 1-866-642-9705▪ Exchange: 1-866-500-7750
<p>Provider Service Line</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ RadMDSupport@Evolent.com▪ Call 1-800-327-0641
<p>Provider Education requests or questions specific to Evolent</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Lori Fink Provider Relations Manager 410-953-2621 LFink@Evolent.com

RadMD Demonstration

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