



January 1, 2025

Dear Provider,

Ambetter Health (Exchange) have partnered with Evolent (formerly New Century Health), to implement a new prior authorization program. This program is intended to help providers effectively deliver quality patient care.

**Effective January 1, 2025,** radiation oncology treatment plans and oncology-related infused chemotherapeutic drugs, supportive agents, and symptom management medications will require a prior authorization from Evolent before being administered in a provider office, outpatient hospital/facility, ambulatory setting, or infusion center. This prior authorization management program will apply to your Ambetter Health members of all ages.

Evolent uses clinical criteria based on nationally recognized guidelines to promote evidence-based practices. Providers may begin contacting Evolent on January 1, 2025, to seek prior authorization for services scheduled on or after January 1, 2025.

## The Evolent radiation oncology program will apply to all specialties for the following outpatient radiation oncology procedures:

- Low-dose-rate (LDR) Brachytherapy
- High-dose-rate (HDR) Brachytherapy
- Two-dimensional Conventional Radiation Therapy (2D)
- Three-dimensional Conformal Radiation Therapy (3D-CRT)
- Intensity Modulated Radiation Therapy (IMRT)
- Stereotactic Radiosurgery (SRS)
- Stereotactic Body Radiation Therapy (SBRT)
- Proton Beam Radiation Therapy (PBT)
- Intra-Operative Radiation Therapy (IORT)
- Neutron Beam Therapy

The Evolent medical oncology program will apply to the provider specialties of Medical Oncology/Hematology, Pediatric Oncology, Gynecologic Oncology, Surgical Oncology, Neuro-Oncology, Urology, and Radiation Oncology.

Prior authorization requests for **radiation oncology and medical oncology** can be submitted to Evolent:

• Via Evolent (CarePro) provider portal at <u>my.newcenturyhealth.com</u>

• Via telephone at 1-888-999-7713 (Oncology – option 2 Radiation Oncology – option 3). Staff is available Monday - Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. CT.

Evolent offers providers:

- Real-time authorizations for approvable treatment plans submitted via the Evolent/NCH on-line portal.
- Real-time member eligibility verification through the NCH portal prior to entering a treatment plan.
- Oncologists and radiation oncologists on staff for clinical discussions with physicians.
- A dedicated Evolent Provider Solutions Manager to use as a direct point-ofcontact for any issues or questions.

Ambetter Health are proud to be your healthcare partners. If you frequently request oncology procedures and are new to this process, Evolent representatives will contact you soon to schedule an introductory meeting and in-service training.

We will provide additional information as we get closer to the implementation date. If you have questions, please contact Ambetter Health Provider Services at **1-833-919-3213.** 

If you have questions about the Evolent **radiation oncology or medical oncology** solutions program, please email <u>providertraining@evolent.com</u> or call 1-888-999-7713, (option 6).

We look forward to offering you this program and hope it will enhance your experience with oncology authorizations.

Sincerely,

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