

Wellcare Advanced Imaging and Cardiology Program

Provider Training



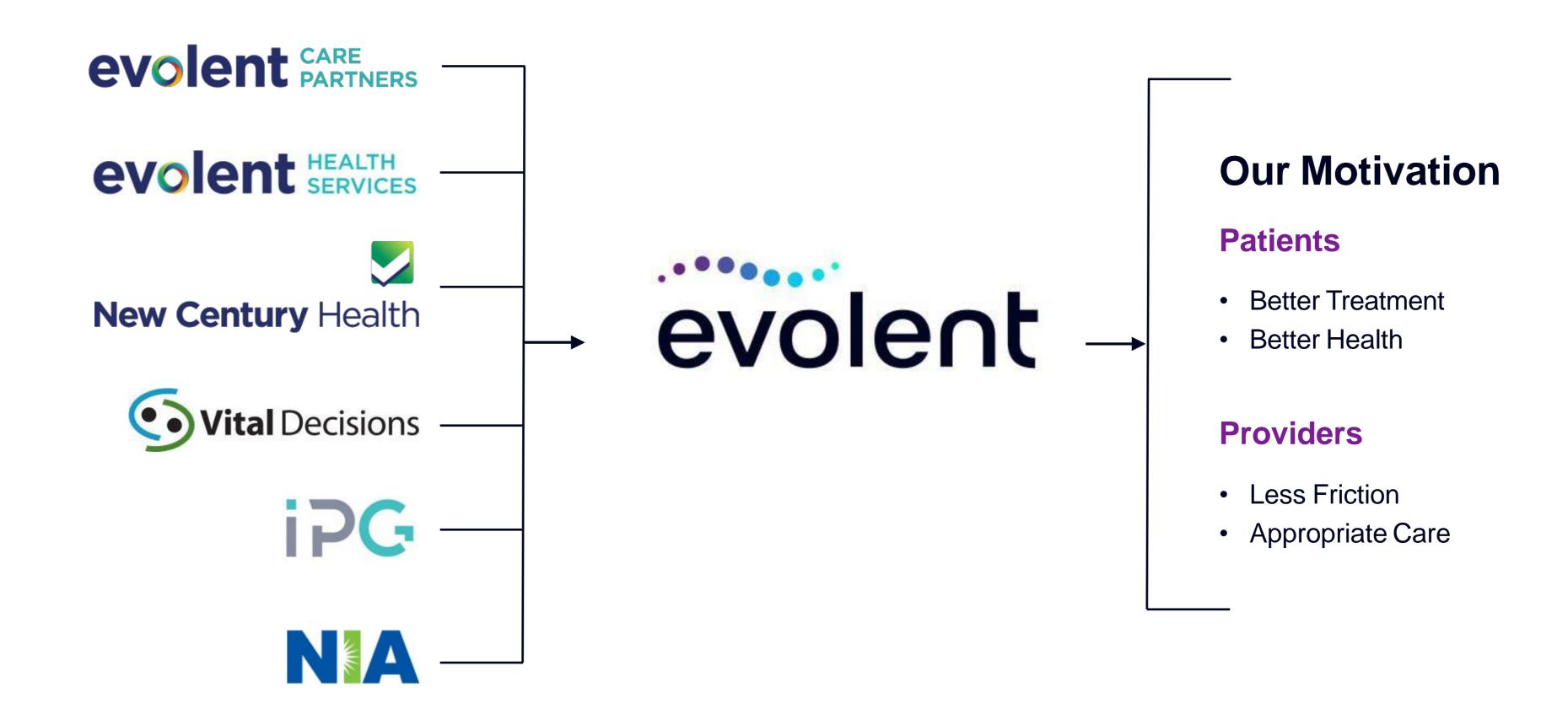
Evolent Program Agenda

Our Advanced Imaging and Cardiology Program

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

Evolent

Connecting Our Brands is About Connecting Care



Evolent Programs with Wellcare beginning January 1, 2025

RadMD.com

- Physical Medicine
- Interventional Pain Management
- Musculoskeletal Surgery
- Radiology
- Diagnostic Cardiology
 - CT/CTA
 - MRI/MRA
 - PET Scan
 - Nuclear Stress Test
 - Echocardiography

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- Oncology
- Radiation Oncology
- Surgical Oncology
- Interventional Cardiology
 - Cardiac catheterization
 - Electrophysiology
 - Vascular radiology and intervention
 - Cardiac surgery
 - Vascular surgery

Interventional Cardiovascular Services Program

Prior Authorization Information

- Log on to the Evolent/NCH web portal at https://my.newcenturyhealth.com
- Telephonic intake: 1-888-999-7713
 - Cardiology Option 1
- Physician discussion: 1-888-999-7713 Option 1, followed by sub-prompt 9, sub-prompt 2
- Monday Friday 7:00 AM 7:00 PM CST (Fully Staffed)*
- Saturday, 7:00 AM 8:00 PM CST (Limited Staff)
- Sunday, 8:00 AM 5:00 PM CST (Limited Staff)
- *After hours call coverage available from Monday Friday
 7:00 PM 7:00 AM CST
- For questions regarding the interventional cardiovascular services authorization process or to request an in-service, please contact Evolent Provider Solutions: 1-888-999-7713 – Option 6 or send an email to providertraining@evolent.com

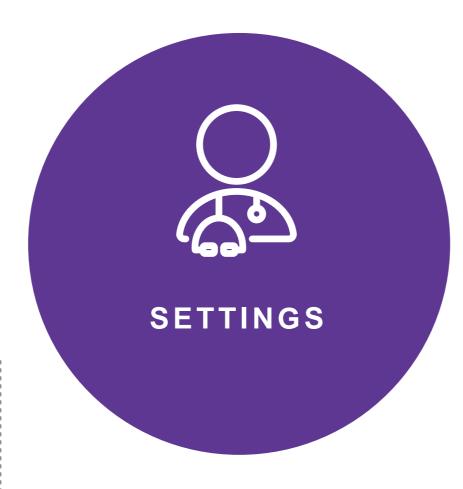
Advanced Imaging and Cardiology Prior Authorization Program



 Wellcare will begin a prior authorization program through Evolent for the management of Advanced Imaging and Cardiology Services.



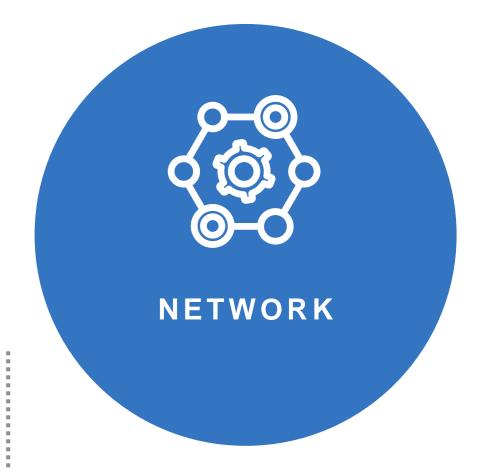
Program start date:
 January 1, 2025



- Office
- Outpatient Hospital



Medicare



Evolent manages
 services through the
 health plan's contractual
 relationships.

Advanced Imaging and Cardiology Solutions

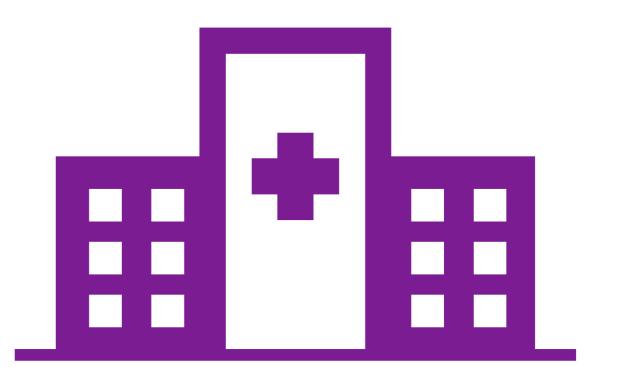
Procedures Performed Outpatient

- CT/CTA
- MRI/MRA
- PET Scan
- Nuclear Stress Test
- Echocardiography

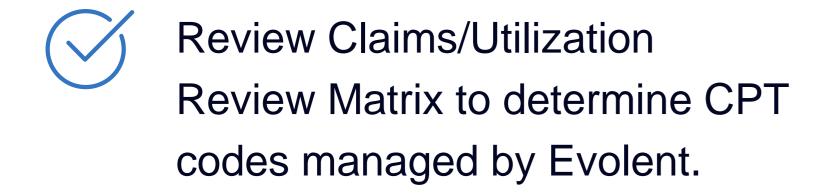
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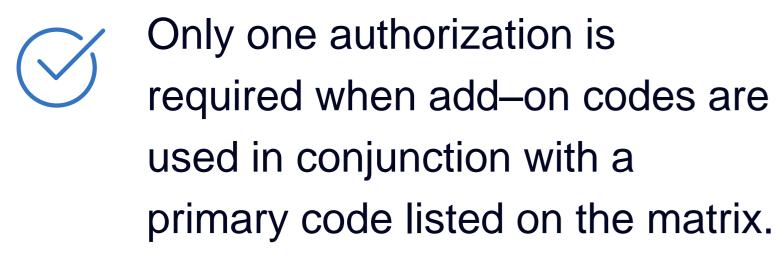
Exclusions

- Hospital Inpatient
- Observation
- Emergency Room



CPT Codes Requiring Prior Authorization



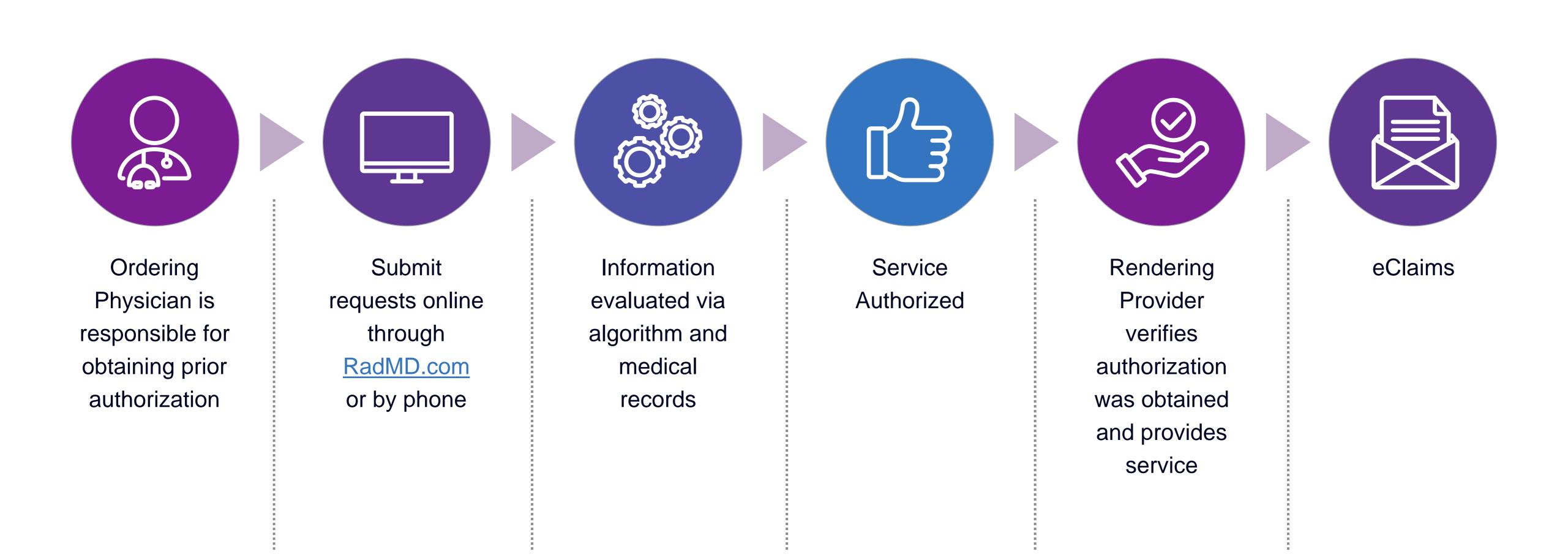




Defer to the health plan's policies for procedures not on Claims/Utilization Review Matrix.

ADVANCED IMAGING & CARDIOLOGY PROCEDURES				
Procedure Name	Primary CPT Code	Allowable Billed Groupings		
MRI Temporomandibular Joint	70336	70336		
CT Head/Brain	70450	70450, 70460, 70470, +0722T		
CT Orbit	70480	70480, 70481, 70482, +0722T		
CT Maxillofacial/Sinus	70486	70486, 70487, 70488, 76380, +0722T		
CT Soft Tissue Neck	70490	70490, 70491, 70492, +0722T		

Prior Authorization Process Overview



Evolent's Clinical Foundation & Review

Clinical guidelines are the foundation

Clinical Algorithms collect pertinent information

Fax/Upload Clinical Information (upon request)

Clinical Review by Evolent's Specialty Clinicians

Peer-to-Peer Discussion

- Clinical guidelines were developed by practicing specialty physicians, through literature reviews and evidenced-based research. Guidelines are reviewed and mutually approved by Wellcare, Evolent's medical officers and clinical experts. Clinical Guidelines are available on 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.
- Evolent has specialized clinical teams.
- 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 Advanced Imaging and Cardiology

Special Information

- Ordering physician information, member information, rendering provider information, and requested examination.
- Clinical information that will justify examination, symptoms and their duration, and physical exam findings.
- Preliminary procedures already completed (i.e., x-rays, CT's, lab work, ultrasound reports, scoped procedures, referrals to specialist, specialist evaluation.
- Reason the study is being requested (i.e., further evaluation, rule out a disorder).
- Refer to Prior Authorization Checklists on RadMD for more specific information.

Request for Clinical Information



Correspondence sent detailing required clinical information along with a fax coversheet.



Please provide the clinical information as quickly as possible so we can make a determination.



Failure to receive requested clinical information may result in denial.

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FAXC

ABDOMEN - PELVIS CT PLEASE FAX THIS FORM TO: 1-800-784-6864

Date: TODAY

ORDERING PHYSICIAN:	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:	HEALTH_PLAN_DESC		

We have received your request for Abdomen - Pelvis CT. As we are unable to approve based on the information provided to date, please respond to this fax as soon as possible.

Study Requested was: Abdomen - Pelvis CT For documentation ALWAYS PROVIDE:

- The most recent office visit note
- 2. Any office visit note since initial presentation of the complaint/problem requiring imaging
- Any supporting documentation such as diagnostic or imaging reports that corroborate abnormalities or the requirement for follow-up imaging

Further specifics and examples are listed below:

FAX_QUESTIONS_ADDL

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a) Abdominal pain evaluation:

Provide details regarding history of abdominal pain (history- onset, trauma mechanism, if relevant, effect on/change w/ bowel or urinary habits, relevant past medical history- bowel disease or surgery, etc; examination, including pelvic/rectal examinations; diagnostic work-up- submit reports demonstrating abnormalities; prior treatment/consultation, if any).

b) Abnormal finding on examination, imaging or laboratory test:

Provide the office visit note(s) or lab/imaging report that documents the abnormality found and any needed explanation of the relevance to the request for abdomen/pelvis CT imaging

c) Suspicion of cancer:

Provide the office visit/consultation notes indicating rationale for suspicion of cancer, along with relevant examination, diagnostic/imaging reports indicating the relevance of an imaging test in further evaluation of a possible malignancy

d) History of cancer:

Provide the office visit note describing the current symptoms or issue and the history; report of the biopsy and/or relevant treatment reports that will document the cell type of the cancer and treatment to date.

e) Pre-operative evaluation:

Provide the office visit note/consultation by the surgical specialist indicating the operation planned and indications. It is usually expected that planned pre-operative evaluation will be ordered by the surgeon in conjunction with surgical scheduling so that the two coincide within a four week/30 day period.

f) Post-operative evaluation:

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FAXC

Submitting Additional Clinical Information



Records may be submitted:

- Upload to <u>RadMD.com</u>
- Fax using Evolent coversheet



Location of Fax Coversheets:

- Can be printed from RadMD.com
- Or call Evolent at:
 1-800-424-5388
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Use the case specific fax coversheet when faxing clinical information to Evolent



Clinical Specialty Team



Advanced Imaging and Cardiology Solutions Review

Clinical Specialization Pods Overseen by Medical Director

Physician Review Team consists of Physician Panel of Board-Certified Physician Specialists to meet State licensure requirements

Physician clinical reviewers conduct peer reviews on specialty products

Clinical Review Process

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- 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 Team interacts with Provider Community

- Request Evaluated
 Based on Information
 Entered
 - Additional clinical information required

Turnaround times meet all applicable regulations contingent upon receipt of sufficient clinical documentation.

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- **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

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 <u>RadMD.com</u> cannot be used for medically urgent or expedited prior authorization requests during business hours. Those requests must be processed by calling Evolent at:
 - 1-800-424-5388
- Turnaround time is within 1 business day not to exceed 72 business calendar hours.

Authorization Validity Period

Wellcare: 90 days from date of request

If the date of service changes, please contact Evolent to update.

Adverse Determination Notification and Options: Wellcare

Notifications:

Notifications include an explanation of services denied and the clinical rationale.

Options:

- Peer-to-peer discussions must be performed before a final determination has been made on the request but not required.
- Re-opens are only allowed if the request complies with the CMS definition of a re-open.
- Appeals: providers are asked to follow the instructions provided in their denial letter.

Claims and Appeals

Claims Process:

- Providers should continue to submit their claims to Wellcare.
- Providers are strongly encouraged to use EDI claims submission.

Appeals Process:

- In the event of a prior authorization or claims payment denial, providers may appeal the decision through Wellcare.
- Providers should follow the instructions on their non-authorization letter or Explanation of Payment (EOP) notification.

Radiation Safety and Awareness



Studies suggest a significant increase in cancer in dose estimates in excess of 50 mSv.

1mSv = 4 months of natural exposure/50 chest x-rays



CT scans and nuclear studies are the largest contributors to increased medical radiation exposure.



According to the 2019 NCRP Report, a dramatic decrease in average radiation dose per person by as much as 15 – 20% has been demonstrated due to radiation safety and technological advances.



Evolent has developed a Radiation Awareness Program designed to create member and physician awareness of radiation concerns.

Provider Tools

- Request Authorizations
- View Authorization Status and Denial Rationales
- View and Manage Authorization Requests
- Upload Additional Clinical Information
- View Provider and Member Correspondence
- View Educational Resources
 - Clinical Guidelines
 - Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)
 - Program Training Presentations
 - Utilization Review Matrices
 - RadMD Quick Start Guides



Available 24/7



Wellcare: 1-800-424-5388

Available Monday - Friday

7:00 AM - 7:00 PM CST

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.



RadMD New User Application Process – Ordering Provider

STEPS

- 1. Click the "New User" button on the right side of the home page. NOTE: On subsequent visits to RadMD, click the "Sign In" button to proceed.
- 2. Under the Appropriate Description dropdown 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.

IMPORTANT

- Users are required to have their own separate username and password due to HIPAA regulations.
- 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.



- -- Please Select an Appropriate Description --Physician's office that orders procedures Facility/office where procedures are performed Health Insurance company Cancer Treatment Facility or Hospital that performs radiation oncology procedures Physicians office that prescribes radiation oncology procedures Physical Medicine Practitioner (PT, OT, ST, Chiro, etc.)
 - oplication for a New Account Please fill out this form only for yourself. Shared accounts are not allowed n order for your account to be activated, you must be able to receive emails from RadMDSupport@evolent.com. Please check with your email administrator to ensure Which of the following best describes your company ▼ What about read-only radiology offices Unless you are the owner or CEO of your company, the user's name/email Choose a Username First Name Confirm Email Email: Job Title: Company Name Address Line 1: Address Line 2:

RadMD New User Application Process – Rendering Provider

STEPS

- 1. Click the "New User" button on the right side of the home page.

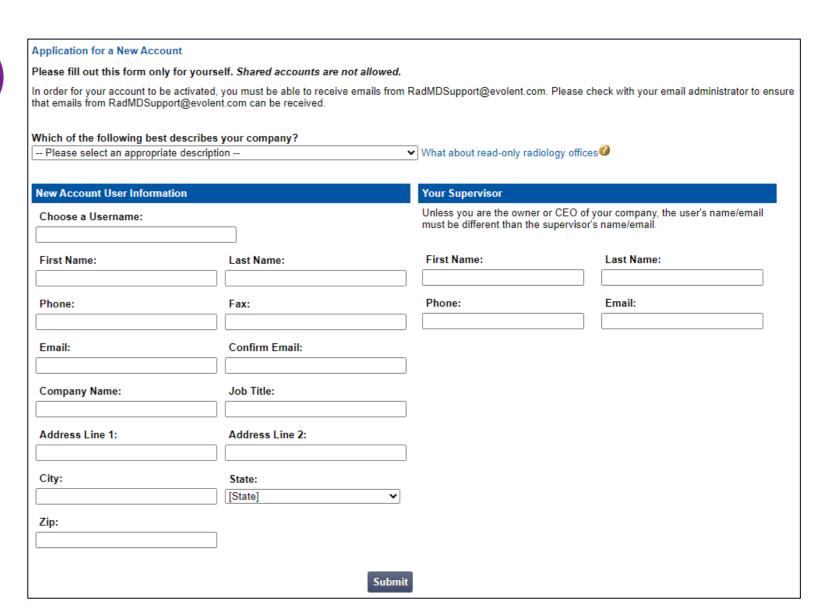
 NOTE: On subsequent visits to RadMD, click the "Sign In" button to proceed.
- 2. Under the Appropriate Description dropdown select "Facility/office where procedures are performed".
- 3. Complete the application and click "Submit".
- 4. Open email from Evolent webmaster with new user password instructions.

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.
- 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.



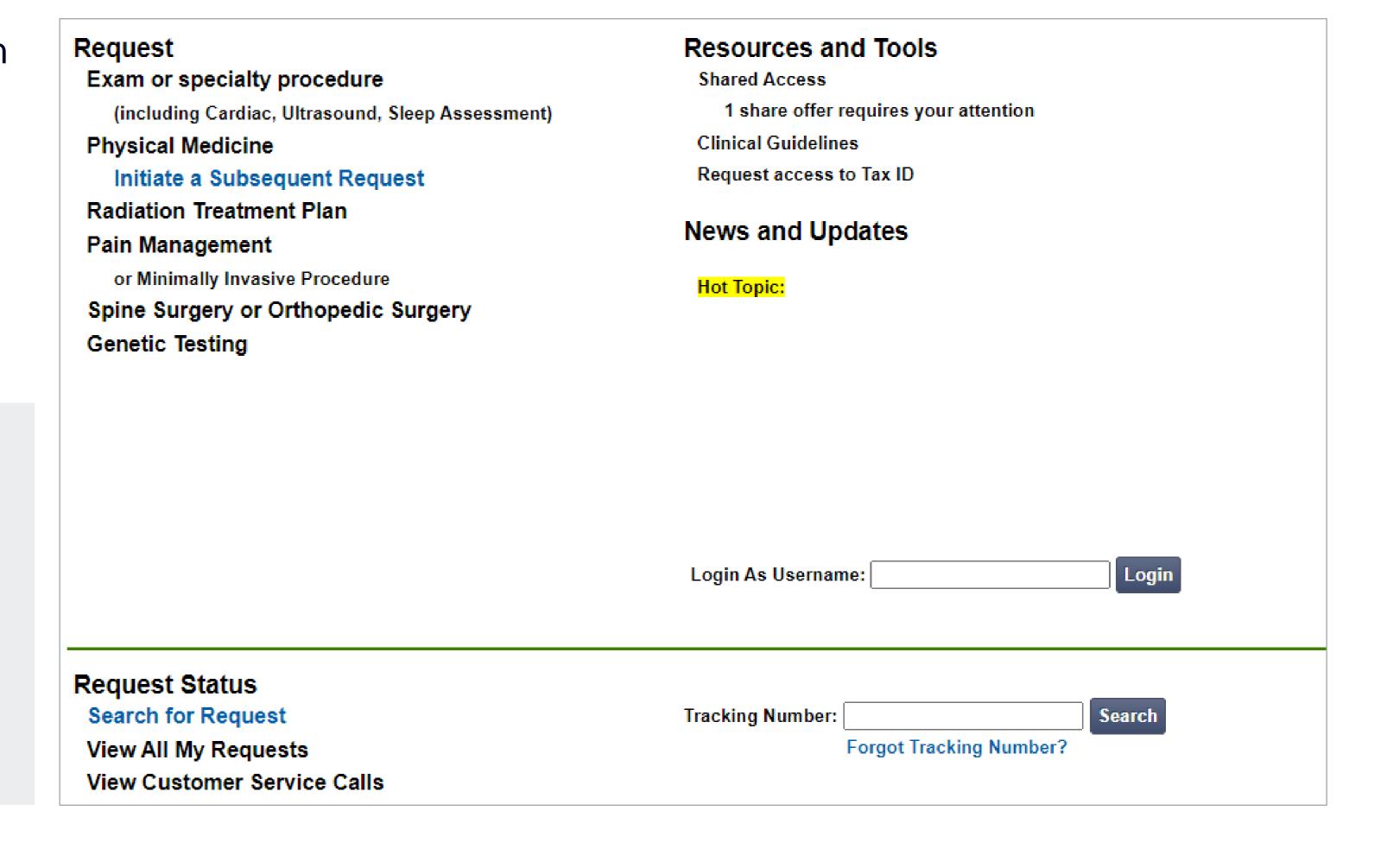
-- Please Select an Appropriate Description -Physician's office that orders procedures
Facility/office where procedures are performed
Health Insurance company
Cancer Treatment Facility or Hospital that performs radiation oncology procedures
Physicians office that prescribes radiation oncology procedures
Physical Medicine Practitioner (PT, OT, ST, Chiro, etc.)



Shared Access

Evolent offers a Shared Access feature on our RadMD.com website. Shared Access allows ordering providers to view authorization requests initiated by other RadMD users within their practice.

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, allowing them to communicate with members and facilitate treatment.



When to Contact Evolent

Initiating or checking the status of an authorization request

• Website: RadMD.com

• 1-800-424-5388

Initiating a Peer-to-Peer Discussion

1-800-424-5388

Provider Service Line

- RadMDSupport@Evolent.com
- Call 1-800-327-0641

Provider Education questions specific to PM, IPM, Radiology/Cardiology, Musculoskeletal Surgery

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RadMD Demonstration



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