

Prior authorizations for secondary insurance coverage, worker's compensation/liability and radiation therapy

1. When another insurance carrier is primary, Security Health Plan may need information for its prior authorization requirements

The Security Health Plan prior authorization process must be completed for some plans regardless if the member's coverage is secondary to another carrier. If the prior authorization process is not completed this could result in a claims payment denial. To determine if the secondary prior authorization coverage requirement is necessary for a specific procedure, please call Security Health Plan Utilization Management at 1-800-991-8109 or fax all relevant information to 715-221-6616.

2. Worker's compensation/liability cases

Prior authorization should be sought for worker's compensation/liability cases to avoid denials in the event worker's compensation/liability coverage is denied or exhausted.

If a Security Health Plan member is being seen for an injury believed to be work-related and covered by worker's compensation, the services should be prior authorized at the same time the service is provided. This will ensure coverage in the event the injury is not deemed worker's compensation-related.

3. Radiation therapy PA and coding guidelines

All radiation therapy treatment plans for cancerous and non-cancerous indications require prior authorization through eviCore regardless of the treatment technique, subject to the member's eligibility and benefits.

When a physician contacts eviCore for a radiation therapy prior authorization, he/she will do so for a complete episode of care. eviCore will collect information about the patient's diagnosis and the physician's intended treatment plan to render a medical necessity determination. An approved or partially approved authorization will include all appropriate consultation, planning, simulation, dosimetry, treatment management, guidance, medical physics and treatment delivery codes.

eviCore has compiled comprehensive coding guidelines for radiation therapy as a reference for claims billing. Go to: <https://www.evicore.com/-/media/files/evicore/clinical-guidelines/solution/radiation-oncology/evicore-radiation-therapy-coding-guidelines-effective-1119.pdf>