

October 13, 2020 Update: Behavior Analysis Authorization Requests

Florida Medicaid will maintain Medicaid eligibility for current recipients through the last day of the month of the state of emergency. This means no Medicaid recipient will lose Medicaid eligibility during the state of emergency, as detailed in March 31, 2020 provider alert.

Due to a system issue, a small number of Medicaid recipients incorrectly had their eligibility end dated. Florida Medicaid has worked with the Department of Children and Families to remedy this system issue as quickly as possible.

To ensure BA providers continue to have the pathway forward for billing and reimbursement of prior authorized BA services, BA providers will need to enter a continued stay request for an **administrative approval**. This will only apply if the patient incorrectly lost eligibility 10/31/2020 and the initial authorization period was shortened as a result.

- DX Codes/Items Tab: When you enter the HCPCS code you will need to enter the codes/units that were previously approved and the days for the remainder of the period.
 - Do **NOT** request an additional 180 days.
 - Do NOT overlap the dates from the previous certification.

Example: If your previous request ended 10/31/2020 the from date on your Continued stay should have a start date of 11/1/2020.

- **Clinical Tab:** You will not be required to answer any questions.
- Summary Tab: Please use the below template This is a request to extend the dates and units to the previous PA. Previous review was shortened due to eligibility (Include Review ID#).
- Supporting Documentation: You will not be required to attach clinical documentation



Please Note:

- o Any requests received with overlapping dates will be cancelled.
- Any requests for days that exceed the original authorization request will be cancelled.
- o If units exceed the original authorization the request will be cancelled.
- o For Individualized assistance, please call eQHealth Solutions at 855-444-3747