MINIMUM REVIEWER EDUCATION LEVELS AND APPLICABLE TIMEFRAMES

Unless otherwise noted below, Vendor shall provide an initial review (Level I), and in certain instances, provide a secondary (Level II) review thus: Vendor shall refer all prior authorizations to the physician advisor for the final determine (Level II) if one cannot be made in the initial (Level 1) review.

Review Type	Level 1 Reviewer Min Education	Level 1 Timeframe	Level 2 Reviewer Min Education	Level 2 Timeframe			
Prior Authorization Reviews							
Inpatient Services Medical and surgical procedures Assistant surgeons Continued inpatient stay (MUMP) Inpatient hospital services Independent laboratories including molecular pathology Lab, x-ray and professional services (inpatient and outpatient) Extension of benefits for lab, x-ray, and professional services (inpatient and outpatient)	RN	24 hours (max)	MD	24 hours (max)			
 Outpatient Services Extension of benefits for outpatient procedures and services Lab, x-ray and professional services (outpatient) Extension of benefits for lab, x-ray, and professional services (outpatient) 	RN	24 hours (max)	MD	30 days (max)			
Durable Medical Equipment (DME)	RN	30 days (max)	MD	Included in Level 1 timeframe			
Personal Care (Under 21)	RN	3 days (max)	MD	10 days (max)			

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Targeted Case Management (TCM)	RN	30 days (max)	MD	Included in Level 1 timeframe		
Physician-Administered Drugs NOTE: Responses to a PA request must be provided within twenty-four (24) hours to the requesting provider under federal law. Vendor shall collaborate with DHS in order to develop the twenty-four (24)-hour response procedure	See Note	30 days (max)	See Note	Included in Level 1 timeframe		
Retrospective Review						
Arkansas Works (Private Option) Mid-Year Transition Requests	RN	20 days (max)	MD	10 days (max)		
Emergency Room/Emergency Department (ER/ED) Retrospective Review	RN	30 days (max)	MD	Included in Level 1 timeframe		
Inpatient Services Retrospective Review	RN	30 days (max)	MD	Included in Level 1 timeframe		
Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) Retrospective Review	RN	30 days (max)	MD	Included in Level 1 timeframe		
Medical Review/Consult						
Out of State Referrals	MD	Emergency: 24 hrs Non- Emergency: 6 days	n/a	n/a		
Suspended Claims	MD	7 days (max)	n/a	n/a		

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Emergency Transportation	MD	7 days (max)	n/a	n/a
Transplants	MD	Emergency: 24 hrs Non-Emergency: 6 days	n/a	n/a
EPSDT Extension of Benefits	RN	30 days (max)	MD	Included in Level 1 timeframe
Emergency Medicaid Eligibility ("OPPD" in DCO)	MD	7 days (max)	n/a	n/a
Ad Hoc Review: DMS Internal PA Review Procedure	RN	30 days (max)	MD	Included in Level 1 timeframe
Ad Hoc Review: Code Set Reviews NOTE: Reviewer minimum education and timeframe for Vendor's response shall be determined at the time DHS makes such request to Vendor.	See note			