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Attention: All Providers

MedSolutions and Prior Approval for Imaging (Clinical Coverage Policy 1K-7)

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Prior Approval for Imaging will continue unchanged. Processes for prior approval requests will remain the same.

Clinical Policy 1K-7, Prior Approval for Imaging will **not** be end-dated on June 30, 2014 as previously posted and **will continue to be in effect from July 1, 2014 going forward.**

MedSolutions will continue to provide prior authorization for high tech imaging and ultrasound for the N.C. Medicaid program. Providers will continue to be required to obtain prior approval for high tech imaging and ultrasounds through MedSolutions.

Pregnancy Medical Home (PMH) providers are **not** required to obtain prior approval for any obstetrical ultrasound. PMH providers will continue to register all ultrasounds with MedSolutions in order to receive reimbursement.

Refer to Clinical Policy 1K-7, prior approval for Imaging for a list of CPT codes that require prior authorization and instructions for obtaining prior approval through MedSolutions. Clinical Policy 1K-7, Prior Approval for Imaging can be found on the N.C. Division of Medical Assistance (DMA) Clinical Policy Web page at www.ncdhhs.gov/dma/mp/.

Providers may submit prior authorization requests through MedSolutions via three methods:

- 1. Online at www.medsolutionsonline.com/
- 2. Via telephone at 888-693-3211
- 3. Via fax at 888-693-3210

Electronic claims must be transmitted and completed by 5:00 p.m. on the cut-off date to be included in the next checkwrite. Any claims transmitted after 5:00 p.m. will be processed on the second checkwrite following the transmission date.

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